

Minutes of the meeting of the Tedburn St Mary Parish Council at **TEDBURN ST MARY VILLAGE HALL** on **Tuesday**, 8<sup>th</sup> **July**, **2025** at **7.30 pm**.

**Present.** Chair Cllr L Taylor, Cllrs J. Putt, K. Wilson, T. Woodley, H. Trump. P Moody, S. Rodda, L Cole, J. Dixon. C Stacey. Teignbridge District Council (TDC) Cllr Swain and four members of the public were present.

Attending: J. Clark (Clerk)

- 1. **Open Forum** A member of the public raised their concern about congestion in the centre of the village and its impact on pedestrians and disabled access. Following a discussion, the parish council agreed to approach Highways with regards to the following issues:
  - a. The disabled ramp is frequently obstructed by vehicles so can the previously removed bollard be replaced?
  - b. The area used to load the shop van means the ramp in inaccessible. Could the loading and unloading of the van be done further away from the ramp in order to ease access?
  - c. Could loading take place during a limited time.

The council asked Cllrs Cole and Taylor to attend the monthly Highways meeting on site on 9.45 am on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> July.

## **CLERK AND CLLRS COLE AND TAYLOR TO ACTION**

A member of the Village Hall Committee informed the council that a new floor is being installed, partly funded by a donation from Devon County Council (DCC). The work will be carried out at the end of August. The committee continues to fundraise towards the cost. Following a recent unsuccessful request for funding from the parish council, the members of the Village Hall Committee attending were advised by the parish clerk to send funding requests for planned work to the parish council during the budget round which takes place in November each year to plan for the following financial year spend.

A member of the public was concerned about the impact of the new housing development on traffic on Six Mile Hill. He believes that the current traffic is already a problem:- it is icy during winter, is used by heavy farming vehicles and lorries from a local transport yard. He asked the parish council to take up this issue and consider options such as 20 mph, traffic calming, sleeping policemen. He said the majority of those attending felt strongly that pedestrian access is totally inadequate. He also called for the DCC and TDC Councillors to take up this cause. He said he is happy to support a campaign to press for this to be addressed.

The council agreed to invite Richard Keeling, Head of Adult Services at DCC and TDC Cllrs Purser and Swain for a site visit to discuss road safety on Six Mile Hill and the impact of the proposed housing development. Cllr Taylor and Cllr Dixon to consult with residents on Six Mile Hill to take input to inform the meeting. CLLRS TAYLOR AND DIXON AND CLERK TO ACTION.

Open Forum closed at 2022

- 2. Apologies and reasons for absence for approval. None.
- 3. Declarations of interest. NONE
- 4. **Planning. No applications received.** The council received notification of an appeal to an application previously discussed. The council asked the clerk to place it on the August agenda for further comment. **CLERK TO ACTION**
- 5. Planning Appeals. Appeal against the refusal of planning application 23/01622/FUL New tourist accommodation and change of use of the land from agricultural to leisure.

  Appeal dismissed by Teignbridge District Council. Noted
- 6. Reports from Devon County and Teignbridge District Councillors. None.
- 7. **To approve the minutes of the June meeting as a true record.** The council resolved to approve the minutes of the June meeting as a true record unanimously by a show of hands.
- 8. **To approve the June bank reconciliation.** The council resolved to approve the June bank reconciliation unanimously by a show of hands.
- 9. To develop and approve the rota for monitoring grit bins in the parish. Deferred to August agenda. CLERK TO ACTION



- 10. To agree attendance at the Local Government Review session being held at the village hall on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025. Councillors who are able to attend will do so.
- 11. To review and agree frequency of mowing of verges and hedge trimming. The council reviewed the verges mown by the parish council and noted the twice-yearly cuts carried out by TDC. This work to be rnoted by the clerk and Cllr Dixon to update the maps on the Parish Online site. CLERK AND CLLR DIXON TO ACTION.
- 12. Reports from parish councillors and clerk. Cllr Cole reported on the meeting with Highways to discuss, speed of traffic, the bus stop and visibility splay at Woodlands.. Following a risk assessment on the site of the bus stop, the council were advised by DCC there was a hazard and the larger of the two slabbed levels should be removed. Following a discussion the council agreed to take the site back to its original state having been advised that the recent work was not fit for purpose and a hazard. The council will review the site once this work has been done. CLERK TO ACTION

Regarding lack of visibility to the right when exiting the Woodlands site. The owners of the hedge that blocks the view are agreeable for the hedge to be taken back and Highways support this action to be done in the autumn. Cllr Cole to report back to the owners of site. **CLLR COLE TO ACTION** 

- 13. Update regarding Neighbourhood Plan funding and to agree what, if any, action the parish council takes in response. (Chair). The Chair reported that TDC confirmed the funding for Neighbourhood Plans has been withdrawn. To be discussed at the July Infrastructure Meeting. Chair to report back.
- 14. To consider any action required following the recent open session with the developer of the proposed housing development on Six Mile Hill. Nothing to report as this was raised during Open Forum. None required.
- 15. **Payments for approval.** With the exception of £18.00 for TSM Village Hall which is no longer required, the council resolved to the approve the payments unanimously by a show of hands.

Date	Supplier	Description	Amount	VAT	Total
2005.07.07.	Jane Clark	Clerk's salary	758.32	No	£758.32
2005.07.07.	DCC Pension Fund	Clerk's pension	£254.05	No	£254.05
2005.07.07.	HMRC	Clerk's PAYE & employer's national insurance	£259.57	No	£259.57
2005.07.07.	TSM Village Hall	Hall hire	£18.00	No	£18.00
2005.07.07.	David Yelland	4 x village maintenance and emptying play area bins and disposal	£637.50 + £27.50 owed from April	No	£665.00
2005.07.07.	Louise Taylor	Chair's annual expenses	£150.00	No	£150.00
2025.07.07	Gladwell	Allotment rent	£1,050.00	No	£1.050.00
2025.07.07.	TSM Village Hall	Hire of main hall	£22.50	No	£22.50
2025.07.07	Squarespace Ireland Ltd	Google Workspace Subscription	£70.80	£14.16	£84.96
2025.07.07	Teignbridge District Council	Dog waste collection at the Recreation Field and playground annual fee	£787.00	£157.40	£944.40
2025.07.07	Jane Clark	Reimburse office expenses, inc. 3 months of monthly ink contract	£110.49	No	£110.49
2025.07.07	Squarespace Ireland Ltd	Tedburnstmary.info subscription	£16.00	£3.20	£19.20
2025.07.07	Luggy's	For supply and installation of covered seating unit	£1,329.17	£265.83	£1,595.00

Date of next meeting Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 at Tedburn St Mary Village Hall at 7.30 pm.