

MINUTES OF TEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON
Wednesday 10th January 2018 AT 19.30 HRS. IN THE STUART MEMORIAL HALL

Mr. A. Besant	Chairman
Mr. J. Donnelly	V. Chairman
Mr. D. Clark	Councillor
Mr. C. Bettles	Councillor
Mr. S. Cooney	Councillor
Mr. Simon Fraser	Councillor
Mrs. Liz Bull	Councillor
Mrs. Linda Collins	Clerk.
Members of the public	1

The Chairman opened the meeting at 19.30 hrs.

1. Apologies for absence

Cllr. Adam Zerny and Cllr. Doreen Gurney (CBC)

2. Declarations of interest

No Declarations of interest were received.

3. Acceptance of Minutes

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on the 20th November 2017 and Budget & Planning Meeting held on the 11th December 2017 were confirmed as a true record and duly signed and dated by the Chairman.

4. Police Report

The Clerk read out any incidents that may have occurred in Tempsford. Cllr. Clark has agreed to go to the next Priority Setting Meeting on the 7th February 2018. Clerk to inform them of car registration by 1st February.

5. Public Session

The member of public had no questions.

6. Planning Generally

CB/TCA/17/00566 – Tree works to rear of 13A Church St. - No objections.

Cllr. Donnelly and the Clerk raised the point that they had difficulty in getting into the web site to check plans.

Clerk to write to CBC explaining this

CLERK TO ACTION.

Local Plan – The CBC Executive committee were meeting tonight and Cllr. Zerny and Gurney were in attendance. The Chairman read out the main points of Cllr. Zerny’s email on the Local Plan.

Although some of the sites have been axed, they have been put into an Appendix and Cllr. Zerny says it is still important to comment on the Local Plan.

The Clerk had received an email from Everton Clerk to ask if we wanted to work collaboratively with other villages. The consensus of all the Councillors was yes.

CLERK TO ACTION.

Woodfines – The Clerk asked the Council if they wanted to go ahead with registering the play areas as suggested by Woodfines. **Resolution – to ask Woodfines to go ahead with the registration.** **CLERK TO ACTION**

7. Neighbourhood Plan

Philip Joyce in attendance from NP reported that 50% of the questionnaire were returned. They have now been posted to for analysis. Going forward, they would be applying for more funds. They felt things were progressing well.

8. Central Beds. Councillors – None in attendance.

9. Finance

The Clerk presented invoices for approval of payment. APPROVAL WAS GRANTED. Cashflow was explained by the Clerk

Payments to be approved:-

Date	Payee	Details	Total
07.11.17	Linda Collins Clerk	Wages/stamps November	£214.60
01.12.17	Mark Zwetsloot	Pollard lime trees	£400.00
04.12.17	Stuart Memorial Hall	Hire July-November	£48.00
07.12.17	Linda Collins Clerk	Wages December	£207.14
05.01.17	HMRC	Clerk's tax (Periods 7,8 9)	£13.60
	Neighbourhood Plan	Postage	£17.48
	Neighbourhood Plan	Questionnaire prize.	£100.00
Total			£1000.82

Bank Statement 2

Date	Ref	Details	Exp	Income	Balance
30.10.17	Balance b/f				£13398.17
03.11.17	Deposit	Cemetery income		£880.00	£14278.17
10.11.17	Deposit	Cemetery income		£300.00	£14578.17
27.11.17	911 chq.	Linda Collins Clerk.	£414.28		£14163.89
Balance					£14163.89

Cash book Balance at the end of December is £11536.69 of which £3530.07 is NP.

Balances Tempsford 2000 account is £934.45. Money to be paid in for the Millennium Garden Carols from December. No so much paid in this year, as items have had to be purchased for safety.

Bank Reconciliation as at 31.12.17

Current account £8006.62 (have taken out NP money)

Savings Account £15466.49 (Statement 62)

Tempsford 2000 £ 934.45

Total £24407.56

Ringed fenced money = Transparency Code £1774.24

An extra £390.24 has now been received this month. Purchase of the items are in progress.

PRECEPT/BUDGET

The Chairman explained the Tax Base for 2018 (234 Band D). The Council discussed what they felt they needed for the year for any projects that we could do also to consider what the Neighbourhood Plan had received back as "voice of the village".

RESOLUTION - THE DECISION TAKEN WAS TO INCREASE THE PRECEPT TO £13500. CLERK TO ACTION.

10. Tempsford Charities

Cllr. Fraser had discussed the names put forward for the position on the committee, and one name that came as priority by both the Charity and the Parish Council was accepted.

11. Highways

The Chairman reported that not a lot had been done – even more damage had occurred on the road with potholes. The sign on Little Barford road, the weight was still crossed out.

- **Salt Bag Scheme** – the Clerk asked whether any more salt was needed. There would appear to be sufficient now. Decision that Cllr. Bettles would spread it in Church Street, and Cllr. Cooney in Station Road.
- **Black Cat Quarry** – a letter had been received from Breedon in reply to the letter the Parish Council (Clerk) had sent regarding planning. The Clerk read it out. They felt it was not necessary to have a Liaison group now, but they are happy to meet with the Council either on site or before/after one of their regular meetings and answer any questions.

12. Children's Play Area

Cllr. Bull reported that the Chairman had repaired the hand rail, but there still needed a bit more work done on it. The Chairman will deal with it. Station Road – except for the mould on the play mat, all was satisfactory. The mould we could deal with ourselves.

13. Cemetery/Churchyard

Cllr. Bettles – will continue to find someone to do the stone work that needs repair. **Cllr. Bettles to action.**

14. Correspondence

A letter had been received from a resident regarding sewage problems, broadband and grants. The Council discussed the situation, as it was on private land. Decision was to write to resident saying we would support in a written role.

Other correspondence

Newsletter – Police

CPRE – re Local Plan

Beds. Fire and Rescue Budget.

Black Cat/428 Extension of Option.

Festival of Britain Sign

15. Dates of next meeting.

March date to be changed. Annual Parish Meeting 25th April, need to get some speakers for the evening (Gravel pit, RSPB, Estate any other ideas.) Annual Meeting 21st May, 16th July, 17th September and 19th November.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 21.30hrs. and thanked everyone for the contribution.

I certify these Minutes to be a true record of the meeting held on the 10th January 2018.

Chairman - Cllr. A Besant

Dated 26th March 2018 (Monday).