

# TODWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the council meeting carried out remotely via Zoom at 7.00p.m. on Tuesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.

## **Present**

Councillor Carter – To 8.48p.m.  
 Councillor Dixon – Chairman  
 Councillor Jeffrey  
 Councillor Newbold  
 Councillor O’Sullivan  
 Lucy Morley  
 Zak Davis  
 J R Walker – Clerk & Financial Officer

## **20/181 APOLOGIES**

Councillor **Wright** had given an apology and had subsequently been taken into hospital for an emergency operation.

**Members** and the **Clerk** were delighted that he had recovered well from the surgery and was expected to make a full recovery. They sent their very best wishes to him and to his wife, Sue.

## **20/182 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BUDGET MEETING AND COUNCIL MEETING ON 26<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 202**

### **Budget Meeting**

There were no amendments and the minutes were signed as a correct record.

### **Council Meeting**

There were no amendments and the minutes were signed as a correct record.

## **20/183 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising that would not be covered under an agenda item.

## **20/184 DECLARATION OF MEMBER’S INTERESTS**

There were no expressions of interest.

## **20/185 URGENT ITEMS FOR LATER CONSIDERATION**

1. Village Hall Insurance
2. War Memorial

## **20/186 CLERK’S REPORT**

**Clerk** had undertaken his duties as instructed.

## **20/187 FINANCIAL OFFICER’S REPORT**

### **Monies received**

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|------------------------------|--------|
| 1. British Gas – FiT Payment | 205.17 |
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**Payments made since last meeting**

1. Aviva – Clerk’s Pension December	18.27
2. Business Steam – Allotments Water Bill	25.44
3. M Beeley – Plastering at Sports Pavilion	245.00

**Payments to be made**

1. HMRC – February Tax/NI	190.37
2. Information Commissioner – Data Protection Fee	40.00
3. J R Walker – February Salary & Expenses	799.56
4. RMBC – Supply and Installation of Vehicular Actuation Signs	5802.26
5. 848 IT Services Ltd – Additional Office 365 Payment	652.80
6. John Jeffrey – Expenses re Collection of Allotment Rents	15.55

**Un-presented cheques**

Nil

**Present bank statement balances**

Business Saver Account (Cheque Feeder)	Community Account (Cheque)
£45,869.47	£1.00
<i>£38,368.93 after all above payments</i>	

**20/188 CORRESPONDENCE**

E-mails had been received and forwarded to Members by the Clerk who had replied where appropriate.

1. Various Councillors – Meeting Minutes and Future Agenda
2. Voluntary Action Rotherham – Various Email Bulletins
3. Rural Action Yorkshire – Various Email Bulletins
4. RMBC – Various Weekly Planning Lists
5. RMBC – Various Licensing Applications
6. RMBC – Various Traffic Delay Reports
7. RMBC – Notice of Alteration to Electoral Roll
8. YLCA – Weekly Bulletins from The National Association of Local Councils
9. YLCA – Various Clerk Vacancies
10. YLCA – Various Chief Executive Bulletins
11. YLCA – Various Training Events
12. YLCA – White Rose Updates
13. YLCA – Various Requests for Information
14. YLCA – Various Newsletters
15. Community First Yorkshire – Rural News and Funding Bulletin
16. NALC – Weekly Newsletters
17. Community First Yorkshire – Various News Updates
18. YLCA – Various Evening Telephone Numbers
19. SYPTE – Various Bus Service Updates
20. RMBC – Monthly Electoral Roll Update
21. Chesterfield Canal Trust - Newsletter
22. RMBC/YLCA/NALC – Various Coronavirus Updates
23. Word Press – Various gov.uk Updates
24. Various Councillors – January Meeting Minutes and February Agenda
25. Councillor O’Sullivan – Actions Following Meetings

26. RMBC – Council Tac 2021/22
27. Mac Venture LLP – Playground Company
28. Various Councillors – New Email Addresses
29. Councillor Newbold – Waste Bins
30. Councillor Dixon – School Computers
31. Councillors Carter, Dixon and Newbold – RB2021/0069
32. Councillors Dixon and Gregory – Resignation of Councillor Gregory
33. Councillor Dixon – Teams Meeting Problems
34. YLCA – Councillors Log-in
35. Alexander Stafford MP, RMBC and Councillor Dixon – Opening of Recreation Ground
36. YLCA – Power to Hold Remote Meetings
37. RMBC – Elections Presentation
38. Councillor Newbold and RMBC – Litter Bins
39. Councillor Dixon – “The Informer”
40. NALC – On-line Events
41. SYPTE – Snow Disruption
42. Norman Anderson and Councillors Dixon and Newbold – October Crime Statistics
43. Brian White and Councillor Wright – Problem at Sports Pavilion
44. RMBC, Various Councillors, Lucy Morley and Zac Davis – Casual Vacancy
45. Rural Services Network – Funding Digest
46. YLCA – Planning Enforcement and Appeals
47. YLCA – Chairmanship Skills Webinar
48. Norman Anderson – Crime Statistics
49. SYPTE – Rotherham Central Engineering Works
50. Zurich – Weather Warning: Offer of Assistance
51. RMBC and Councillor Dixon – Flood Risk Incident De-brief
52. Norman Anderson – Covid 19 Updates
53. William Rusling and Councillors Dixon and Wright – Litter Bins and Litter at Old A57
54. Councillor O’Sullivan – Outside Light at Village Hall
55. YLCA – Filling Ordinary and Casual Vacancies
56. YLCA – Roles and Responsibilities of a Councillor
57. Sue Blakeman – Water Problem at Goosecarr Lane
58. RMBC – E Bulletin
59. All Councillors and Norman Anderson – Insurance of Village Hall
60. YLCA – Policies, Procedures and powers Webinar
61. YLCA – Allotments Webinar
62. Tom Devaney (on behalf of Alexander Stafford MP) and Councillor Dixon – Local Publications
63. YLCA – Website Ticket System
64. RMBC, Thurcroft Parish Council and Councillor Dixon – Flood Disaster Recovery Grant
65. Councillors Carter, Dixon, O’Sullivan and Wright – Defibrillators
66. Sue Wright – New Waste Bin
67. Various Councillors – gov.uk
68. Various Councillors – Councillor Wright
69. SYPTE – Councillors Discussion Forum
70. Various Councillors – Fun Day
71. 848 Accounts Team and Councillor O’Sullivan – Office 365 Invoice
72. RMBC – Free Community Transport

## 20/189 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 1. RB2021/0123

Application to undertake works to a tree(s) protected by RMBC TPO3-1971 at 25 Rectory Gardens.  
**Resolved** not to object.

## 20/190 COMMITTEES

### Footpaths

**Dixon** had received a report that the new owner of land off Storth Lane had erected a gate preventing public access which had been possible before.

**Newbold** was aware of this but said that it was still possible to walk round the gate. There was no public right of way across this land and so the only way this was possible was with the permission of the landowner.

**Clerk** commented that uninterrupted walking of a route might in certain circumstances support an application for this to be designated as a public right of way.

### Allotments

**Jeffrey** had:-

- Received a further report from the Pest Control Contractor who had removed a further two rabbits from the site and re-set the traps.
- Sent out letters and subsequently received the plot rents which he would let the Clerk have to deposit at the bank.
- Received a report that some of the water taps were still working even though he had turned off the supply. He would check the stop cock and investigate further.

**Clerk** would arrange a cheque to pay Councillor Jeffrey's expenses in sending out the rent letters.

### Recreation

**Dixon** reported:-

- The recreation ground remained closed because of the Covid 19 Pandemic.
- Councillor Wright had discovered a water leak at the sports pavilion during the recent low temperatures. This had been caused by the thawing of a frozen pipe connected to the rainwater catchment system which had caused a partial collapse of the ceiling near the kitchen/toilets. After careful consideration and obtaining quotations for the necessary work it had been decided not to pursue an insurance claim. The plasterboard had been replaced and the ceiling re-plastered. Plumbing and re-decoration would be carried out very soon. Other decoration was also required and it would be advantageous to tile the concrete floor whilst the pavilion was not in use.
- The abuse suffered by Councillor Wright, Sue Wright and daughter whilst cleaning playground equipment and clearing rubbish at the old A57. This was clearly wholly unacceptable and he had requested action by the police. The individuals were officially classed as juveniles but nonetheless their behaviour should not be tolerated. Previous warnings given by the police had not been heeded and something must now be done to ensure this ceased. He would now seek the support of Alexander Stafford MP in ensuring that the police did now commence proceedings.

*The meeting was suspended at 8.05p.m.*

## OPEN SESSION

1. Mrs. Lucy Morley and Mr. Zak Davis had been privy to the meeting and were now permitted to speak to Members. Each expressed an interest in being coopted onto the Parish Council and in answer to the Clerk they confirmed their eligibility, explained their reasons for doing so and gave



Vehicle Crime	1	1								1		1	4
Public Order	1	3		1	2		2	1	1		1		12
Violence and Sexual	1		1		1	1		1	1	1	1	5	13
Other Crime													
Drugs													
Shoplifting										1			1
Bicycle Theft													
Robbery													
Anti-social Behaviour		1	3	2	3	3	4		2	4	2		24
Total	6	11	4	5	7	5	7	3	5	9	6	7	75

### 20/195 EVENTS

**Carter** was excited to have received interest from others prepared to help with organising the Fun Day which it was hoped would include music/entertainment in the evening.

**Resolved** to hold the event on Saturday 17 July subject to the lifting of Government Covid 19 restrictions.

**Dixon** confirmed that again subject to restrictions permitting the bonfire would go ahead on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

### 20/196 WEB SITE

**O'Sullivan** was now providing links to other sites which would be informative to parishioners and would also be sharing on social media platforms.

### 20/197 PARISH PLAN

**O'Sullivan** would again send out the link and he asked that Members comment on the draft questionnaire he had prepared.

### 20/198 EMERGENCY PLAN

**Dixon** would revise the existing plan when RMBC officers returned to undertaking their duties normally. The existing plan focus a lot on bad weather situations but he would be looking at various other scenarios.

### 20/199 LITTER/DOG WASTE BINS

1. **Newbold** had contacted RMBC to thank them for installing the two new bins near the Red Lion and at the top of Goosecarr Lane but also to ask that the other one promised at Millfields also be provided. The new bins had been well used and he had also asked that RMBC empty these at appropriate intervals.

### 20/200 CO-OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLOR

**Resolved** to coopt Lucy Morley and Zac Davis on to the Council.

**Clerk** would get the Declaration of Office Forms to the Chairman who would then arrange for everyone to sign. Clerk would then inform RMBC.

**Members** welcomed Lucy and Zac to the Council and looked forward to working with them in the future.

### 20/201 URGENT ITEMS

#### 1. Village Hall Insurance

**Dixon** had intended discussing this with Councillor Wright and John Richardson and would do so once Councillor Wright had recovered from his operations.

2. War Memorial

**Dixon** referred to Eileen and Barry Northall's generous offer to finance the renewal of the artificial grass at the war memorial. The area involved was quite small and so far he had not been able to find a contractor interested in undertaking the work. It seemed that it would be left to Members to undertake the renewal and so he would make enquiries about obtaining the material.

The next parish council meeting would be held at 7.00p.m. on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021. In view of Coronavirus restrictions this would have to be held remotely. The press and public would have access as normal to the council meeting with joining instructions being given on the Council's website.

..... Chairman

..... Date