

# Agenda for a meeting of Todenham Parish Council to be held on 8th March 2021 by Zoom at 7.00 p.m.

## 21.9 *Apologies*

None received. Those present: **Bill Joss (Chair), Bruce Eastabrook, Cynthia Clifford, Jo Trice-Rolph, Stephen Pannell, James Duckett, Sue Finlay (Clerk)**

21.10 *Approval of minutes of last meeting.* The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

## 21.11 *Planning:*

*New: C/21/00067/PRMA*, License application for Scenic Suppers at Lower farm. Councillor Trice-Rolph expressed some concerns about the poor quality of the maps supplied by Licensing; Councillor Joss said he had visited the site with the applicant and the area concerned was small. Generally, the council wanted to support the enterprise. Councillor Pannell asked if all the relevant questions had been asked and if the license being applied for was the most appropriate one. He agreed to draft a comment for approval. All the paperwork related to the application has been collected together for future reference.

## 21.12 *Matters arising:*

*War memorial:* Councillor Eastabrook reported that the stone had been completed and was in the village hall, awaiting fitting when the weather was suitable. Councillor Joss thanked Bruce for all his work on bringing this to fruition. He asked the clerk to let the council know what the balance above the money raised for the stone was.

*Speed limit letter:* Not done yet.

*Breaches of COVID regulations:* A letter had been composed by Councillor Joss and is to be circulated by Councillor Trice-Rolph

*Projects for 2021/22:* List of proposals to be recirculated

*Wildflower verges:* Councillor Pannell said that this was not a venture to be lightly undertaken; Councillor Trice-Rolph asked if there was an idea of possible costs. The clerk agreed to look into this.

*Footpaths:* Councillor Joss had been formally notified by Ms Dixon about the poor state of the footpath running through the village. She had contacted Highways herself, but been told it was unlikely to be repaired in the near future. Councillor Pannell felt that Highways should be pushed to do this repair as there were safety issues with pedestrians being forced to walk in the road. He agreed to write to Highways about this.

*Obstruction of verges by stones and signage:* Councillor Joss had compiled a note to be circulated and asked the clerk to pass this around the Council

*Should Agenda and Minutes be circulated round the village by email:* Overall, the council felt that putting the Agenda on the Noticeboards and the fact that the Agenda and the minutes are on the parish website was sufficient advertising of each. Councillor Trice-Rolph thought it might be an idea to send out a circular pointing out where they can be found.

## 21.13 *Planning*

*Approved*

20/02628/FUL Land At Desmond House Todenham Gloucestershire, erection of detached dwelling

20/01250/LBC Todenham Hall, Todenham. Amendments to original application (New proposals validated 09/09/2020)

20/03796/FUL, 19 Todenham, air source heat pump

#### 21.14 Finance:

(a) *Approval of expenditure since last meeting.*

##### Expenditure since last meeting

Date	Supplier	Item	Cheque/FP O	Amount	Balance
	Balance brought forward				128949.41
04/01/2021	S. Finlay	Clerks salary & expenses	FPO	103.38	12,746.03
08/01/2021	ICO	Subscription	DD	35	12,711.03
22/01/2021	Community Heartbeat trust	Replacement Defib light	FPO	19.2	12,691.83
01/02/2021	S. Finlay	Clerks salary & expenses	FPO	163.94	12,527.89
02/03/2021	S. Finlay	Clerks salary& exp	FPO	156.08	12,371.81

Petty cash	Item	Balance Brought fwd		1.61
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The expenses since the last meeting were examined and approved.

##### *(b)Approval of payments outstanding*

GAPTC subscription. (£75.53)

Geo. Clifford & Sons for memorial stone (£939.60)

Both payments were approved.

#### 21.15 AOB

*Public footpaths:* Councillor Trice Rolph reported that she had downloaded a map of the village public footpaths and hoped to get them laminated and put up in the bus stops. The clerk pointed out that they needed to be sure all their footpaths were marked on the PROW map, to avoid any being extinguished.

*Republishing village history book:* Councillor trice-Rolph had managed to scan in a copy of the first edition and had offered to update it. The PC were happy that this could be re-printed and shared as they had paid for the original (the previous editor had given permission to reproduce, subject to including a note to the effect that Norman Frost compiled the original).

*Forge update:* From Rachel Coxcoon: Just to bring you up to date, further to my email from last month, our new Chief Exec at Cotswold District Council has raised the issue of the ruined forge in the centre of Todenham with the Police and Crime Commissioner for Gloucestershire. We are trying to see if we can put pressure on Thames Valley Police to expedite the process of sorting out the proceeds of crime asset sale so that the property can come to market and be sorted out. We are also still making regular direct contact with TVP themselves, but we find them just very unresponsive and feel our hands are tied.

Please let the parish councillors know I have not forgotten them and am trying to keep this issue alive. As soon as I hear anything about movement, I will also get the heritage team to call Historic England again and make sure the listing is reassessed.

*Duck pond:* Councillor Eastabrook said that the ducks had begun nesting on the pond and thought it would be a good idea to put up the sign asking residents not to let their dogs go into the pond. This was approved and he said he had one he could put up.

*Litter:* Councillor Trice-Rolph reported that there was a lot of litter along the Moreton Road. She said that James Bartle-Jones had volunteered to do some litter picking as part of his DoE award. Councillor Joss thought that once lockdown was over it might be best to organise a litter picking day.

#### *21.16 Date of next meeting*

The next ordinary meeting was set for 19 April; The AGM was arranged for 4 May, both at 7 p.m. Both will have to be held by Zoom