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From: Mr Andy Tennet, Clerk to Tiffield Parish Council to all Parish Councillors 11/02/2020:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TIFFFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held in The Reading Room on Mon 10/02/2020 at 8.00pm

Present: Cllr J Beasley (Chairman of the Council). Cllr P Chaplin. Cllr L James. Cllr S Jowers. Cllr P Power. Cllr R Powell. Cllr E Welch. Mr A Tennet (Clerk to the Council)

	Standing Items	Action
2002.01	To receive and approve apologies for absence – Cllr S Pady (delayed at work), Cllr J Tyrell (holiday)	
2002.02	To receive declarations of interest under the Council’s Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda - None declared	
2002.03	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 13/01/2020 – approved by all and signed by the Chair.	
2002.04	To note any matters arising from the minutes not included on this agenda for report only: 2001.04 – Mr Tennet confirmed there are no expiry dates for the use of the fireworks purchased last year. The revised dates for future Parish Council meetings had been circulated to all Councillors. Cllr Jowers confirmed that the play surface areas could be cleaned with a light pressure. No chemicals would be used and the work would take place once the weather had improved.	

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<p>Cllr Beasley reported that he had not progressed access to the Allotment/Poor's Account but would look to do so once Cllr Tyrell was available to meet with him and Mr Tennet.</p> <p>Mr Tennet confirmed that the details for the Pocket Park Account had been circulated to all Councillors.</p> <p>2001.06 – Mr Tennet reported that he had spoken with Marcus Young re the emptying of the dog mess bins and that Mr Young had confirmed that they were emptied every Tuesday apart from over Christmas. This was disputed by Cllr James.</p> <p>2001.07 – Mr Tennet confirmed that he had reflected the Councils concerns regarding retrospective planning applications in his comments to the Planning Office in respect of application S/2019/2506/MAF</p> <p>2001.09 – Mr Tennet reported that he would amend and re-sign his contract reflecting the change of hours at the start of the new financial year.</p> <p>2001.10 – Mr Tennet reported that he had spoken with Mr Holloway regarding the village BBQ and discussed opportunities to raise funds to cover costs. Both Mr Holloway and Mr Wells had talked of scaling the event back somewhat and using village artists. Mr Holloway had talked about constructing a stage himself. The sale of beer and a raffle for a 'summer hamper' were discussed. The BBQ would be a separate event to the VE Day.</p> <p>Mr Tennet confirmed that the Parish Council could run a Small Society Lottery. The licence would cost £40 with a £20 annual fee thereafter.</p> <p>Mr Tennet reported that he had circulated proposed charges and structure for allowing adverts in the Thunderbolt. This had been well received by all although the editor of the magazine had raised some concerns.</p> <p>2001.11 – Mr Tennet had notified South Northamptonshire Council of the decision by the Parish Council to raise the precept by 5%</p>	<p>Cllr Beasley to meet with Cllr Tyrell and Mr Tennet re access to the Poor's Account</p> <p>Cllr James to monitor the dog mess bins and provide photographic evidence if they are not emptied as contracted.</p> <p>Mr Tennet to have further discussions with Mr's Holloway, Wells and Loake.</p> <p>Mr Tennet to put a 'Summer Hamper' together nearer the BBQ date and organise a raffle for the same.</p> <p>Mr Tennet to explore the appetite for a Lottery in the village via the FB page and Thunderbolt etc.</p>
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	<p>2001.14 – Mr Tennet had contacted neighbouring Parish Councils regarding their plans for VE day commemorations. Any responses had been forwarded to Cllr James.</p> <p>2001.15 – Mr Tennet confirmed that the resolution to support the Power for People campaign had been forwarded to the organisers</p> <p>2001.16 – Mr Tennet confirmed that a £50 donation had been made to the Wildlife Trust</p> <p>Mr Tennet had contacted Mr Riley regarding the supply of gravel for the Pocket Park steps. Mr Riley had since been in touch with Cllr Chaplin to arrange delivery.</p> <p>2001.17 – Mr Tennet had reported the issues raised to Street Doctor and Highways Authority. He is waiting to hear from Mr Leggett as to when the money for the skittles etc is required.</p> <p>Mr Tennet has met with Steve Barber re a new post for the VAS signal near to the school. He is awaiting a quote and associated paperwork</p>	<p>Mr Tennet to meet with Mr Leggett to discuss his concerns regarding adverts in the Thunderbolt.</p>
2002.05	Public participation session. (See [2] below) – no one present	
2002.06	Finance report – Mr Tennet presented the finance report for the period since the last Parish Council meeting and for the year to date. There were no outstanding payments and account balances matched the account statements. Total funds held by the Parish Council currently stand at £10,458.14. Cllr Jowers proposed that the report be accepted, this was seconded by Cllr Powell. There were no objections	
2002.07	Planning applications - None	
2002.08	Correspondence – Mr Tennet took the meeting through the correspondence list since the last meeting. Items of note where the attendance of Cllr Chaplin to a conference in respect of protecting villages from Climate Change, Mr Tennet’s application for the siting of a table tennis table at Claydon’s Field and a query in respect of our grounds maintenance contract.	<p>Mr Tennet to check grounds maintenance contract.</p> <p>Cllr Powell to explore ‘lifting’ the willow tree on the green.</p>

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	Business items	Action
2002.09	Review of Asset Register – Mr Tennet had previously circulated the Parish Council asset register the contents of which were agreed by the meeting. The brush cutters and associated equipment would be listed separately but details would be available on request and this would be reflected on the register.	Mr Tennet to amend the register as required and publish on the village website.
2002.10	Litter Pick and organisation – It was agreed that the litter pick for this year would be held on the 14 th March and would start at 10.00 am at The George. It was agreed that the Parish Council would pay for sausage/bacon rolls for those taking part.	Mr Tennet to coordinate the advertising of the litter pick, the collection of the equipment and liaise with Mr Proctor at The George.
2002.11	Local elections 7 th May 2020 – Mr Tennet informed the meeting of the requirement for all Councillors to apply for a nomination pack and submit the same to SNC should they wish to continue in post. There was some discussion in respect of promoting the elections on the 7 th May and the cost of running a Parish election (£900.00 approx). It was agreed that the elections should be promoted and new candidates sought.	Mr Tennet to promote the elections and new candidates on all the parish platforms.
2002.12	<p>Councillors Questions – Cllr James updated the council on the initial meeting she had held with volunteers in respect of the VE Commemorations. There had been a lot of support and ideas and the shape of the day was already coming together.</p> <p>Cllr Power asked for a meeting with Cllr Beasley and Cllr Jowers to put a funding request together for the improvements on Claydon’s Field.</p> <p>Cllr Beasley informed the meeting of a visit he had made in company with Mr Tennet to The Gateway school to meet the headmaster Conor Renihan and the chair of the school Governors Andy Briggs. Mr Conor Renihan was keen to promote those facilities at the school which could be made available to local residents. An update was also given in respect of the bench and village sign that the school have offered to make for the village.</p> <p>Cllr Beasley also updated the meeting in respect of a meeting held today between himself, Cllr Jowers, Mr Tennet and Mr & Mrs Proctor at The George public house. He briefly outlined the issues that had been discussed and</p>	<p>Cllr James to see if Mr Holloway has bunting</p> <p>Cllr James/Mr Tennet to see if SNC has funding available to help cover any costs.</p> <p>Mr Tennet to contact Mr Renihan to see if he would supply a list of facilities available to residents and if the school wanted to be involved in some way in the VE Day</p>

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	some of the options that the Parish Council might pursue. It was agreed that Cllr Beasley would lead a working party along with Cllr Jowers, Mr Tennet and any other interested party.	Cllr Beasley to organise a working party in respect of the issues discussed in respect of The George Public House.
	With no other business the meeting closed at 21.25	

I certify that this is a true and accurate record of the transactions of Tiffield Parish Council in the above meeting:

Signed: _____ Date: _____