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From: Mr Andy Tennet, Clerk to Tiffield Parish Council to all Parish Councillors 14/03/2023:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TIFFFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held in The School Hall on Mon 13/03/2023 at 8.00pm

Present: Cllr L James (Chair). Cllr S Jowers. Cllr G Ferrie. Cllr. C Pearson. Cllr J Tyrell. Cllr R Powell.

Mr A Tennet (Clerk to the Council), Mr Holdridge, Mr Tapley

	Standing Items	Action
2303.01	The Chair read out the Opening Statement - In accordance with the Openness of Local Government Regulations 2014, this meeting may be recorded, filmed, broadcast or otherwise transmitted by any member of the public or press who may be present, without prior reference to the Parish Council. The Chairman shall ensure that such action does not interfere with the conduct or business of the meeting.	
2303.02	Apologies for absence – Cllrs Beasley, Cook and Chaplin	
2303.03	Declarations of interest related to business on the agenda for this meeting – none made	
2303.04	To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21/02/2023 – these were proposed as accurate by Cllr Powell and seconded by Cllr Ferrie. There were no objections.	
2303.05	Matters arising from the previous minutes not included on the agenda for this meeting – Mr Tennet confirmed that all actions from the previous meeting had been discharged apart from the item at 2302.06 regarding the	Mr Tennet to photograph the damaged/missing road

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	damaged road furniture at the St Johns crossing on the A43. Mr Tennet thought this matter had been addressed but apparently it has not.	furniture and send the pictures to Cllr Fowler.
2303.06	Public participation session – no representations	
2303.07	Finance report - Mr Tennet presented the parish council accounts for the financial year to date, including all outgoing and income. All account balances have been checked on line against each account and are correct. The accounts were proposed as accurate by Cllr Jowers and seconded by Cllr Pearson. There were no objections.	
2303.08	Correspondence List - Mr Tennet took the meeting through the correspondence received since the last meeting. There were no matters of note.	
2303.09	<p>Planning applications - Planning consultation/Information for application reference WNS/2021/1819/EIA at Land North Of The Bell Plantation Watling Street Towcester (DHL) and relates to the submission of further information and evidence in relation to Environmental Statement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AIMSUN Modelling Report (highway modelling) • Football pitch plateau dimensions and levels • Amended Construction & Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) • Amended Planning Statement <p>Applicant's response to LLFA comments from Nov 2022</p> <p>Applicant's comments on LLFA's proposed conditions This refers to additional documents that have been published in regards of the DHL distribution centre application.</p> <p>Mr Tennet took the meeting through these documents and their content at the end of which it was agreed that the Parish Council saw no need to change their original letter of objection.</p>	Mr Tennet to notify WNC planning that nothing in the revised application alters their previous decisions and objections which remain unchanged, especially in respect of the major visual intrusion this development will cause.
2303.10	<p>DHL, IM Properties and the Bell Plantation – DHL is discussed above. No further information has become available regarding the Bell Plantation development.</p> <p>IM Properties have proposed an initial meeting with the outgoing and incoming chair of the Parish Council and the Clerk.</p>	

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	<p>They have suggested a date in late March and the availability of those initial invitees is being checked. It is hoped that after this meeting a larger public meeting or Parish Council meeting will be arranged with IM Properties.</p> <p>Cllr Ferrie asked that at any initial meeting, the comments from the village survey regarding this development are presented to IM Properties.</p>	
2303.11	Tiffield 100 Club – Mr Tapley drew the following numbers: 71, 90, 100	
	Business items	Action
2303.12	Registration of village green and Claydon Field land and associated costs – Cllr Jowers reported that the land registration of both the village green and Claydon Field. He estimates that the costs for the legal work will be in the region of £500 and was looking for approval from the parish council to proceed. It was unanimously agreed that this work should proceed at a fee in the region suggested by Cllr Jowers.	
2303.13	<p>Litter pick and village tidy update – Mr Tennet confirmed that all was in place for this event on the 25th March. He also informed the meeting that The Right Honourable Andrea Leadsom MP, was going to attend the start of the day and would be able to stay for the first 30 minutes or so.</p> <p>Cllr Jowers suggested that Mrs Leadsom be asked if she would like to be part of the planting of a new oak tree on Claydon Field which was to replace the Horse Chestnut which was blown down last year. This was also being done as part of the Queens Green Canopy campaign.</p>	Mr Tennet to contact the office of Andrea Leadsom to see if she would like to be part of the tree planting ceremony.
2303.14	<p>No Mow May – Mr Tennet notified the meeting of an approach that had been made by WNC, asking that all grass cutting was suspended for the month of May, to encourage the growth of wild grass and flower areas, which would benefit wildlife at that time.</p> <p>There followed some discussion as it was highlighted that our contractor does not collect the grass cuttings when cutting the grass areas in the village. This will mean that once cut at the start of June, the amount of cut grass left lying on grass areas in the village would likely damage the grass underneath and this would take the whole summer to recover. In addition, there is a responsibility on the Parish Council to keep all sight lines clear and this will be the same month as the Coronation of the King and as such, we should make the village as tidy as possible.</p>	Mr Tennet to advertise No May Mow on the village FaceBook page and invite local residents to take part.

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	<p>As such It was agreed that mowing parish mowing would continue throughout May.</p> <p>However, it was agreed that Mr Tennet should publicise No Mow May on the village FaceBook page, so that residents can choose to take part in respect of their own gardens.</p>	
2303.15	<p>Meeting dates for April and May – The Clerk raised the fact that both of these meetings have been moved to a Tuesday as the normal Monday meeting will fall on a Bank Holiday Monday on both months.</p> <p>In addition, the April meeting will be the Annual Parish Meeting and as such will need to start early. It was agreed that it should start at 7.15pm. Mr Tennet informed the meeting that he has another commitment that day and may well be late and asked for a volunteer to take minutes until he arrived. Cllr James stated she may be able to do this.</p> <p>In respect of the May meeting, this will be the Annual Parish Council meeting where the Chair stands down and a new chair will be elected along with the allocation of other parish responsibilities. As such, this meeting will need to start at 7.30pm</p>	
2303.16	<p>Urgent Matters (for report only)</p> <p>Cllr Jowers further discussed the planting of the new oak tree on Claydon Field.</p> <p>Cllr Pearson asked for views on the Ward Boundary review consultation which proposes to include Tiffield in a realigned Towcester Ward, contrary to what the parish council had suggested. It was agreed that this should be an agenda item for the April Meeting.</p> <p>Cllr James asked if there were any plans to deal with the bonfire debris on Claydon Field. It was suggested that this work might take place this coming or next Friday afternoon dependent of availability.</p> <p>Mr Tennet referred to the request from some young adults to hold a charity event on Claydon Field with the aim of raising money for the Make a Wish Foundation by planting wild seed papers. It was agreed that this could be done along the edge of Claydon Field from behind the bonfire site up towards the entry to the Pocket Park.</p>	<p>Mr Tennet to add the Boundary Review proposals to the April Agenda.</p> <p>All Councillors to read the appropriate pages of the review so they are informed for that discussion.</p> <p>Mr Tennet to post a request for volunteers to deal with the bonfire debris on the village FaceBook page.</p>

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	<p>Mr Tennet informed the meeting that the likely trustees of the Tiffield Pools Account had met with Adam Fox from Roade Parish Council, who has had experience of updating and modernising a dormant charity. Mr Tennet has now written a draft revised charter/constitution which suits modern need better than the old 18th Century one and this had been circulated amongst the potential trustees. Further amendments had been made due to their feedback and the trustees will be nominated at the April Parish Meeting. At their first proper meeting the revised constitution will be discussed, minuted and likely adopted. Once done the trustees can proceed to move forward with a number of other requirements before any of the monies can be utilised.</p>	<p>Mr Tennet to notify the organisers of the charity event of the Councils suggested site and to notify the grass cutting contractor to miss this area when he starts to cut the grass on the field.</p>
	<p>With no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm</p>	

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

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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