

## **Minutes of the normal meeting of Templeton Community Council**

**Held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Present: Cllrs Barbara Priest, Kathrin Williams, Liz Burns, Jason Jennings Mark Simpkins, Jane Ashbridge, plus 3 representatives of Templetots.

Cllr Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting. Before the formal meeting started the Templetots representatives gave an update on the project enabling them to move back to Templeton, in the URC Chapel at the top of the village. They were keen to move back into the village and use the Chapel to be able to provide full wraparound morning and afternoon care. They currently looked after nine children, of whom possibly four were from Templeton. They also had a waiting list. The Chapel were assisting with funding for the project, including roof repairs and providing the architect's services. They were currently seeking funding for the project, estimated to be possibly around £200 thousand. The Meeting Room would still be used for services on Sundays. Phase one was the internal work, phase two would be improving the outside area, including relocation of the old gravestones.

Concerns were especially raised by Councillors about the traffic and parking situation – serious safety issues with children and vehicle movements near a busy junction. It was stated that parents would be expected by Templetots to park at the school and walk children down to the Chapel, not drive to or park in Chapel Lane. It was pointed out that the majority of Chapel Lane was privately owned, and in places the surface was certainly not of Highways standard for either vehicles or pedestrians.

The Templetots representatives stated they hoped to invite the Council and others to a meeting to give more information when they could. They were thanked for the update, and left the meeting.

- 1) **To accept apologies for absence.** There were apologies received from Cllrs Peter Morgan and Elwyn Morse.
- 2) **To disclose personal and prejudicial interests in the items listed below.** Personal or interests were declared by Cllrs Priest and Simpkins in the Templetots item.
- 3) **Questions from members of the public** regarding items on the agenda not otherwise being covered. There were no questions received in this category.
- 4) **To sign the minutes of the previous meeting.** The minutes of the meetings on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024 had been previously circulated. They were agreed as correct, and were duly signed by the Chairman.
- 5) **To report on matters arising from previous minutes and decide further action as required:**

**Hall memorial clock.** Work to resolve the faulty timer mechanism was continuing.

**Parking/traffic at Boar's Head** - no update was received. This would be moved to the July meeting.

**Hall damp issues.** The Clerk had received a builder's view that it required hacking off, injection of the wall and re-rendering, but no quote had been provided. It was agreed to request the Caretaker clean the areas with sugar soap, and the Clerk to obtain some quotes for internal repainting. Then to review the situation in six/nine months to see if the damp returned or not before potentially investing in a French drain along the edge between patio and Green, and extending the current grillwork in front of the patio doors along that wall to act as another barrier.

6) **New items of business:**

**Play Park repairs.** A site meeting had been held to review the issues, and certain repairs were needed immediately for health and safety. The previously agreed contractor would undertake the repairs as agreed. The purchase of replacement items for the zip wire and swing were agreed. The Clerk would continue to source ideas for equipment replacements for the whole area.

**Templetots Chapel project.** The Council appreciated the update received at the start of the evening. It was agreed to send a letter of support.

**Local repairs review.** A list of the current areas of concern had been previously circulated and was discussed. Updates were made to the ongoing list. One item would be referred to Cllr Morse.

7) **Items of correspondence**

- Notice of firing – Templeton Airfield. This was noted.
- One Voice Wales training. This was noted.
- PCC update on the Long Course Wales road closures between 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024. This was noted.
- Email from Templeton Together regarding working together. This was noted and agreed. A reply would be sent.

8) **County Councillor's report.** In the absence of Cllr Morse there was no report this month.

9) **Financial statement and bank reconciliation – Council main and reserve accounts.**

Bank statement for main account £28,053.15 as at 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Reserves account £0.60 as at 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

Income banked, payments made and income received as per attached bank reconciliation.

Income received:

Current/anticipated invoices:

Caretaker – salary for June

HMRC – tax for June

Clerk – salary and expenses for June

Online Playgrounds – zipwire cable cover and swing fixing - £95.00

The above expenditure was unanimously agreed.

## 10) Planning.

24/0153/PA. Construction of three new dwellings. Templeton Farm, Templeton. SA67 8RZ. Application received 24-05-2024. It was felt that this was disproportionate over-development, not suited to the area. It was suggested any agreed planning should include a link path to the existing public right of way to the historic Sentence Castle monument.

24/0185/PA Replacement garden shed/ carport & upgrade to access with forecourt walls and ecological enhancements (partly retrospective). Iona, Cold Blow. SA67 8RL. Application received 31-5-2024. There were no comments.

24/0008/PA Erection of proposed greenhouse. 9 Windsor Gardens, Cold Blow, SA67 8QQ. Application received 4-4-2024. **Application conditionally approved 29-5-2024.**

## 11) Councillors' reports and matters for next meeting.

It was asked whether there had been a response from the school regarding the tiles were falling off the Queen Elizabeth mosaics. There had not. The Clerk would contact the school again to ask whether they would be repairing, replacing or removing the mosaics. The Clerk would also contact FOTS about the previously discussed artwork for community notices.

A footpath sign was in need of repair – details would be passed to the Clerk to pass on to PCC.

## 12) Next meeting.

The next normal meeting was agreed to take place on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 starting at 7.30pm.

Cllr Williams then thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.10pm.