

## Minutes of the normal meeting of Templeton Community Council

Held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Present: Cllrs Barbara Priest, Kathrin Williams, Liz Burns, Peter Morgan, Mark Simpkins, Elwyn Morse, Jane Ashbridge.

Cllr Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting.

- 1) **To accept apologies for absence.** There were apologies received from Cllr Jason Jennings.
- 2) **To disclose personal and prejudicial interests in the items listed below.** No personal or prejudicial interests were declared..
- 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 18<sup>th</sup> April 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.** Despite several attempts it had not been possible so far to get this back working reliably. It was agreed to make one more attempt, and if that did not work to approach the family concerned and ask what they would like to do.

- 6) **New items of business:**

**Parking / traffic at the Boar's Head.** Concerns had been raised in recent weeks about the impact on the verge of the constant parking there by users. The local resident had been passed to PCC Highways, and efforts were being made to discuss it with the Boar's Head owners. Cllr Morse would report back to the next meeting on any progress. There was concern expressed in the meeting about the potential for a major highways issue.

**Hall damp issues and decoration.** It was agreed to not start the repainting until the damp issue had been resolved. It seemed possible that damp after the very wet winter had travelled to and up the wall from the Green and patio. It was agreed to seek quotes for solutions to resolve the issue – the Clerk would do this.

**Village Green – drainage issues.** It was raised that the creation of the footpath had inadvertently possibly increased the water retention on the Green. It was agreed to monitor the situation, because again the exceptionally wet weather over the winter might have been a significant factor. Possible work that could be undertaken would include additional top soil in the particularly low lying areas to create a more level area and allow extra drainage.

**Play Park repairs.** The most recent annual inspection had been received with no high risk issues, but it was agreed that the equipment had reached end of life after ten years. It was agreed to take out damaged items that were not used, and to seek grant funding to start replacement of the equipment. The Clerk would seek quotes and funding sources.

7) **Items of correspondence**

- Notice of firing – Templeton Airfield. This was noted.
- One Voice Wales training. This was noted.
- PCC notification of Long Course Wales road closures between 21<sup>st</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2024. These were noted.
- Woodland Trust – free trees for communities. This was discussed, and it was agreed that regrettably the Council did not have land it could use for these – the Village Green and North Green were used by the community as large open spaces.
- King’s portrait. The Clerk provided some information on this, and would bring it in for consideration at the next meeting.

8) **County Councillor’s report.** Cllr Morse stated that he had received a query on the turning area in Knights Court. He had responded that there were no undeveloped areas available there, and that the Green was protected as an open space for the community. The only other significant matter was traffic and safety at the Boar’s Head junction – covered earlier in the meeting.

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

Bank statement for main account £31,431.73 as at 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Reserves account £0.60 as at 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

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

Income received: £7854.00 – the first part of the Precept.

£3992.39 – VAT reclaim for 2023-24

Current/anticipated invoices acknowledged/agreed:

Caretaker – salary for May

HMRC – tax for May

Clerk – salary and expenses for May

Zurich – annual insurance for 2024-25 (year 3 of 5 year LTA) - £1399.78

ICO annual direct debit - £35.00

Internal Audit work for 2023-24 - £250.00

PCC – Play Park inspections 2023-24 - £6541.00

The above expenditure was unanimously agreed.

10) **Planning.**

24/0007/PA. 2 x 10 kw ground mount solar arrays. Roadside Farm, Mollleston. SA67 8DA. Application received 2-5-24. There were no objections.

23/0938/PA. Proposed detached garage. Haygarth, Templeton. SA67 8RG. Application received 15-2-2024. **Application withdrawn 19-4-2024**

23/0947/PA. Extension to rear and side (partly retrospect) and creation of new entrance. Barn Court, Templeton. SA67 8SL. Application received 21-2-2024. **Application conditionally approved 16-4-2024.**

22/1011/PA Proposed housing development comprising 3.no detached houses, garage block & pair of semi-detached houses. Land adjacent to Barn Court, Templeton. SA67 8SL. Application received 22-2-23. **Application conditionally approved 17-4-2024.**

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

It was stated that some of the tiles were falling off the Queen Elizabeth mosaics created by the school which were put on the bus shelter. The Clerk would contact the school to ask whether they would be repairing, replacing or removing the mosaics.

The possibility of installing electric car charging points was raised – this could be a possible small income stream and a community benefit. The Clerk would make initial enquiries with the PCC officer who manages this for the County.

It was reported that the recent plant sale on the Green had been very successful, with excellent weather and turnout. The Council was pleased, and thanked all of those involved.

#### **12) Next meeting.**

The next normal meeting was agreed to take place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2024 starting at 7.30pm.

Cllr Williams then thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55pm.