



Tisbury Parish Council – Minutes of April Meeting 1

Held at 7pm on Tuesday 4th April 2023 in the Reading Room, High Street, TISBURY, SP3 6LD

Questions or Statements:

A member of the public expressed concern about the poor state of the road in Hindon Lane. Councillor Davison advised him that resurfacing work was scheduled to be carried out by Wiltshire Council's contractors in early summer as reported by Councillor Nick Errington.

The chairman of the Tisbury Angling Club requested the Council's support for a grant towards the provision of an accessible fishing peg on the lake at Wardour Castle. Councillor Davison advised that the Club would need to submit an application to the Council for consideration at its first meeting in June.

Report from Wiltshire Councillor

In the absence of Councillor Errington, Councillor Davison informed the meeting that Councillor Errington had resigned as a Unitary Councillor and that there would be a bi-election for the vacancy. As Chair of the Council he expressed the Council's sincere thanks to Nick for the brilliant job he had done as the Wiltshire Councillor for Tisbury parish over the last two years.

MEETING MINUTES

(*responsibility for action)

23.04.01

Those present:

Councillors Davison (Chairman), R A Beattie, V Hillier, J Mason, G Murray - 5.

Also in attendance: B Cornish (Clerk). Three members of the public.

Apologies: Councillors unanimously approved the apologies from R Buck, F Corp, E Coyle-Camp and J Phillips (personal commitments) and Councillor N Errington (holiday commitment).

23.04.02

Declarations of Interest:

Any Parish Councillor wishing to declare interests should do so at this point:

- a. declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests already declared in the Register of Interests: None.
- b. declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests not previously declared in the Register of Interests: Councillor Beattie declared a personal and non-pecuniary interest in planning application PL/2021/04262.
- c. dispensations: if required: None.

23.04.03

Resolution of Minutes *Clerk

- a. March meeting 2 - Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 21st March 2023
 - **Approved; JM/GM;** with abstentions from Councillors Beattie and Hillier.

23.04.04

PLANNING MATTERS

a. Current applications:

PL/2021/04262 Amended Plans

Tisbury Motors Ltd, High Street, Tisbury - Demolition of the existing garage site and construction of residential block on the existing site comprising 10 residential units (ranging in size from 1 bed to 3 bed) with parking provision and access from existing private lane on the site:

- **Object; RAB/JM;** unanimous on the following grounds:
 1. The proposed size, excessive height, mass and scale of the development are not in accordance with either Core Policy 57 of the Wiltshire Core Strategy or Policy BL4 of the Tisbury and West Tisbury Neighbourhood Plan.
 2. The proposed size, excessive height, mass and scale of the development would have a detrimental impact on the Tisbury Conservation Area, the character of the High Street and particularly on the landmark Methodist Church adjacent to the site and on the Grade II* Listed property, Gaston Manor, opposite the site. The proposal, therefore, is contrary to Core Policy 58 of the Wiltshire Core Strategy and Policy HNA 2 of the Tisbury and West Tisbury Neighbourhood Plan.
 3. The proposal does not include any units of affordable housing which is contrary to Wiltshire Council's policy on affordable housing. This requires a development of 5 dwellings in an AONB to provide 30% of affordable homes.

The Parish Council supported the comments on the application made by Wiltshire Council's Conservation Officer and the Urban Design Officer

PL/2023/02404

Land Behind Council Yard on Station Road, Tisbury - Trees lining the river bank which have died or are dying and falling into the water course, to be cut to avoid completely falling:

- Leave the decision to the Tree Officer but to make him aware of the potential erosion of the riverbank if the roots of the trees are removed when the trees are felled. JM/VH; unanimous.

23.04.05

FINANCIAL MATTERS requiring Consideration/Resolution

a. April Financial Information *Clerk

- Current Account bank reconciliation to 31st March 2023
 - Deposit Account bank reconciliation to 31st March 2023
 - Petty Cash Account bank reconciliation to 31st March 2023
 - Budget to Actual Report to 31st March 2023
- **All approved and noted; RAB/JM; unanimous.**
- Retrospective approval of payments made from 01/03/2023 to 31/03/2023
- **Approved and noted; JM/RAB; unanimous.**

b. Approval of April Faster Payment transactions.

- **Approved; JP/RB; unanimous.**

23.04.06

NEW POLICIES requiring Consideration/Resolution *Clerk

a. Draft Communications and Social Media Policy

- **Deferred to next meeting; Chair; unanimous.**

b. Draft Letter of Understanding for Tisbury Children's Community Garden

- **Deferred to next meeting; Chair; unanimous.**

23.04.07

GOVERNANCE MATTERS requiring Consideration/Resolution

a. Tisbury Reading Room and Library Charity Report

To consider a request from the Trustees of the Tisbury Reading Room and Library Charity that Tisbury Parish Council resolves to confirm the original intention of Councillors in 2016 that the Charity be transferred to Tisbury Parish Council as the Corporate Trustee.

- **Specialist legal advice to be sought from Messrs Wellers Hedleys on the transfer of the Charity to the Council; RAB/JM; unanimous. *Clerk**

23.04.08

AMENITY MATTERS requiring noting

a. Playground Inspection Reports

To note the inspection reports from Sovereign Play for the Lower Recreation Ground and King George V playground.

- **Noted; quotes to be sourced for the repainting of some of the play equipment in the George V playground; JM/VH; unanimous. *Clerk**

23.04.09

a. Items for Information

Councillors noted the following reports:

- Clerk's report providing information on agenda items, recent issues and work completed.
- Clerk's report on a meeting of the South West Wiltshire Area Board.

b. Next agenda items

- New Code of Conduct

23.04.10

Date of next meetings: all at 7pm unless otherwise stated:

- a. Tuesday 18th April 2023 – Monthly meeting 2
- b. Tuesday 2nd May 2023 – Monthly meeting 1

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at 7.55 pm.