# **SOCKBRIDGE & TIRRIL PARISH COUNCIL**

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# Minutes of the Sockbridge & Tirril Parish Council Meeting held at Tirril Reading Rooms, on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at 5.30pm

<u>Present:</u> Cllr Haydn Morris (HM), Cllr David Owens (DO), Cllr Philip Greening (PG), Cllr Richard Relph (RR), Caroline Fennell – Clerk (CF)

#### In Attendance:

Catherine Anderson (CA), TASCA Representatives, David Gate - CLP representative

# 40/18 Apologies

None

#### 41/18 Declarations of Interest

- DO declared an interest in Planning Application 18/0564 and has withheld from commenting on this matter
- HM also declared an interest in the same planning application

# 42/18 Minutes

• The minutes of the Council meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2018 were agreed for signing and initialled as a true record (Circulated prior to meeting).

# 43/18 Exclusion of Press & Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

Not applicable to any agenda items.

# 44/18 Vacancy for Parish Councillor

One application was received for co-option to the Parish Council. This
was distributed to councillors prior to the meeting. DO proposed the
applicant, seconded by PG. All councillors in favour. CA was asked to
join the meeting.

# 45/18 Adjournment of the Meeting

No public present

#### 46/18 District & County Council Representation

No representatives present

#### 47/18 Play Area

 Initial discussion took place with no TASCA representatives present at the meeting. CF updated councillors regarding discussion with the insurance company and EDC on STPC taking over management of the play area. TASCA's proposal was discussed and it was estimated that running costs for the play area are in the region of £300 per year. TASCA had stated that they would transfer their current funds over to STPC. It was discussed that STPC would take on all management of the play area, and ownership of the equipment and assets, including the land lease. This is on the basis that TASCA transfer funds over to STPC and with the expectation that fund raising would continue where possible with TASCA. A legal agreement would be required for the transfer and TASCA would need to discuss the lease with the land owner. DO proposed this, seconded by RR. All councillors in favour.

TASCA representatives later joined the meeting and the above was conveyed. TASCA will arrange a legal agreement for both assets and land and liaise with CF.

# 48/18 Clerk

 The clerks contract was presented to the meeting. This had previously been circulated to councillors. Contract signed by HM and CF

#### 49/18 Community Led Plan

• David Gate gave an update on progress with the CLP and the meetings held with parish councillors (see appendix), with a suggestion that the Parish Council would not be able to implement the CLP. The chairman clarified that the Parish Council has made no decision on whether or not to adopt or implement the CLP; a group of councillors has no mandate to speak for the Parish Council as a whole. Some councillors had expressed concern about the large volume of actions in the draft plan (some of which may be less significant than others), about the justification for some actions bearing in mind the wording of certain questions, and about the sensitivity around the housing issues. The chairman said that he could see no problem about the Parish Council supporting the final plan, if as stated in the report the CLP has taken the councillors' comments on board.

# 50/18 Eden Local Plan

 The Local Planning Team are undertaking further consultation regarding the Habitat Regulation Assessment. Adoption of the Plan is anticipated for October, however significant weight is now being given to the Plan in planning decisions.

#### 51/18 Devolution of Assets

- The Lighting Agreement for agreed lights has been distributed to councillors prior to the meeting for consideration. DO proposed to sign the agreement to take ownership of the agreed lights, seconded by PG.
- CF to contact Neil Buck at EDC to request consultation prior to the decommissioning of any of the non-agreed lights

 Light 2 not included as this is a non-agreed light, and will therefore need a separate agreement if STPC choose to take this on. EDC will continue to run the non-agreed lights until 2022 or until they fail, STPC to consider taking this light at this point.

# 52/18 Planning Matters

Application	<u>Location</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Number 17/0970	Field opposite Ladybeck, Tirril	Outline application for a residential development	REFUSED
		for up to 5 affordable houses, with all matters reserved	
18/0230	Thwaite Cottage, Tirril	Listed building consent for shed and summer house	GRANTED
18/0348	Field to the west of Ladybeck, Tirril	Outline planning application for a residential development of up to 15 affordable houses, with al matters reserved	REFUSED
18/0412	Winscar, Tirril	Single storey rear extension and works to chimney	GRANTED
18/0545	3 Thorpefield, Sockbridge	Proposed rear extension	GRANTED
18/0564	Land adjacent to Walmar, Croft Head, Sockbridge	Reserved matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout & scale attached to application 17/0095	Objection submitted 21/08/18 PG proposed and RR seconded to ratify objection

# 53/18 Highways Matters

- Quaker Lane Culvert works remain ongoing
- Drains near Old Chapel water spills from the adjacent field on to the footway causing issues in winter. However the road drain is also completely blocked. Ian Chambers was going to speak to landowner following the last meeting regarding field drainage. CF to contact Highways regarding road drain.

# 54/18 Accounts & Financial Report

 Due to an issue with the bank, bank statements have been unavailable since the last meeting so a full reconciliation was not possible. Transactions were presented to councillors and an anticipated reconciliation put forward.

#### • Income:

There has been no income since the last meeting

# • Expenses:

Outgoing clerks expenses	£	100.20
CLP hire of STRR	£	10.00
Clerks salary (June)	f	28.02

# Cheques to authorise:

Clerks expenses	£	112.71
CLP hire of STRR	£	30.00
CLP hire of STRR	£	15.00
CLP hire of STRR	£	7.50
STPC hire of STRR	f	7.50
Clerk Salary (July)	f	121.42
Clerk Salary (Aug)	£	121.42

# 55/18 Correspondence

• All correspondence circulated by email

# 56/18 Date of next Meeting

 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at Tirril Reading Rooms at 5.30pm

The meeting closed at 6.55pm

#### **Appendix**

# Sockbridge & Tirril Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 5 September 2018

# Item 10: Report on the Community Led Plan

The Community Led Plan Steering Group (CLP SG) has considered the responses to the Survey completed last November, and drawn up a draft Action Plan.

We had 2 informal meetings with some Parish Councillors in June & July to discuss it, and the councillors' comments were taken on board.

Councillors expressed concern about the capacity of the Parish Council to undertake substantially more work, especially in view of the possible adoption of street lights and the play area.

It was clear that, if the PC adopted the Action Plan, it would not itself be able to implement it, but would consider, in the normal course of its business, any proposals arising from the Plan. One councillor described it as "business as usual".

So the CLP-SG is holding a village meeting ("Action Plan Afternoon") on 15 September. It will have 2 purposes:

- 1. to prioritise actions in the Plan, and
- 2. to ask volunteers to form groups to carry out actions on the Plan. It is hoped that representatives from each group will then form and Action Plan Implementation Team, which will take over from the CLP-SG, to coordinate the implementation of the Plan.

The Survey Results, the Draft Action Plan and the Action Plan Response form are now available on the village website.

The full Community Led Plan and final Action Plan will be published in November.

**Ends** 

David Gate
Community Led Plan Steering Group