

Tisbury Parish Council – Minutes of March Meeting 1

Held at 7pm on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023 in the Reading Room, High Street, TISBURY, SP3 6LD

## Questions or Statements:

No questions or statements were received.

**Report from Wiltshire Councillor –** Councillors noted the verbal report from Wiltshire Councillor Errington which updated Council on the following topics:

- The Council's budget for 2023/24 was approved at £466 million. £13 million of reserves are to be spent on business priorities eg supporting housing provision during the cost of loving crisis. £1.1 billion is to be spent over a number of years on capital projects to improve and maintain infrastructure across the county.
- Project Gigabit which provides superfast broadband within rural communities is now live within Wiltshire. A dedicated webpage will be set up once more information is available on the locations to be upgraded.
- The Council will be introducing amber and red hangers for contaminated blue bins with the aim of improving recycling rates and reduce contamination of recyclable items. If bins are repeatedly contaminated, waste operatives will reject them until the contaminating items are removed.
- At the recent South West Wiltshire Health & Wellbeing Group, it was agreed to roll out a digital inclusion programme for older people to enable them to better use their technology.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

#### (\*responsibility for action)

#### 23.03.01

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, Councillor Beattie was elected to chair the meeting.

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

#### Those present:

Councillors Beattie (Chairman), R Buck, F Corp, E Coyle-Camp, N Errington, V Hillier, J Mason, and J Phillips - 8.

Also in attendance: B Cornish (Clerk). No members of the public.

<u>Apologies:</u> Councillors unanimously approved the apologies from Councillor Davison (self-isolating) and Councillor Murray (Station Works Inquiry work commitment).

# 23.03.02

### **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 None.
- c. dispensations: if required None.

## 23.03.03

### **Resolution of Minutes \*Clerk**

- **a.** February meeting 2 Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023
  - **Approved; JP/VH;** with abstentions from Councillors Buck, Errington and Corp.

### 23.03.04

- **PLANNING MATTERS**
- a. Current applications:

### PL/2023/01181 \*Clerk

- Tudor Rose, The Avenue, Tisbury Construction of single storey boot room:
  - **Support; NE/RB;** unanimous; on the grounds that it was compliant with Core Policy 57 of the Wiltshire Core Strategy.

## b. Other Planning Matters:

#### **Station Works Inquiry**

- i. To receive a report from Councillor Murray on the progress of the Planning Inquiry for Land at Station Works, Station Road, Tisbury. In the absence of Councillor Murray, the Clerk and Councillor Mason gave a brief report on the progress of the Inquiry. They advised that the first four days had gone well and that the Parish Council's witnesses had been able to provide the Inspector with their professional views on design, the impact on the AONB, transport issues and on the impact of the care home on primary care services. The Clerk also advised that another day had been added to the schedule (7<sup>th</sup> March) as the Inspector anticipated that all the evidence to be heard could not be completed in 7 days.
- ii. To consider a proposal from Councillor Murray that letters of thanks are sent to the witnesses who appeared on behalf of the Council at the Inquiry.
  - Approved; JM/NE; unanimous. \*Clerk

#### 23.03.05

#### FINANCIAL MATTERS requiring Consideration/Resolution

#### a. March Financial Information

- i. Current Account bank reconciliation to 30<sup>th</sup> November & 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022
- ii. Petty Cash Account bank reconciliation to 30<sup>th</sup> November & 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

- iii. Budget to Actual Report to 30<sup>th</sup> November & 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022
- iv. Retrospective approval of payments made from 01/02/2023 to 28/02/2023
- All approved and noted; JP/LCC; unanimous. \*Clerk

#### b. Approval of March Faster Payment transactions: \*Clerk

- Approved; JP/RB; unanimous.

#### c. Appointment of Auditor \*Clerk

To consider a report from the Clerk regarding the appointment of an Internal Auditor to audit the Council's annual accounts and submit their report with the Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR) for 2022/2023.

- Deferred awaiting quote; JP/RB; unanimous.

#### d. Tisbury Footpath Club

To consider a report from the Clerk on the reimbursement of £1,971.59 to Tisbury Footpath Club for equipment purchased and work completed on Tisbury's footpaths between 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 and September 2022.

- Approved; JP/RB; unanimous.

## 23.03.06

### Wiltshire Towns Programme \*Clerk

- **a.** To approve the signing of a grant agreement with Wiltshire Council to enable the £5,000 in funding allocated to Tisbury Parish Council through the Wiltshire Towns Programme to be paid by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.
  - Approved; JP/RB; unanimous.

## 23.03.07

#### a. Items for Information

- i. Clerk's report providing information on agenda items, recent issues and work completed.
- ii. Clerk's report on a meeting of the South West Wiltshire Local Highway and Footway Improvement Group which provided progress on the implementation of the 20 mph speed limit in Tisbury as follows:
  - Request to convert a limited waiting parking bay in the High Street to a disabled parking bay – The Traffic Regulation Order consultation is provisionally scheduled to start on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023.
  - 20 mph speed limit project The Traffic Regulation Order consultation is provisionally scheduled to start on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023.

Councillors noted the Clerk's reports.

#### b. Next agenda items

- Risk Register Review
- Community Garden documents

## 23.03.08

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

- a. Tuesday 21st March 2023 Monthly meeting 2
- b. Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Monthly meeting 1

#### 23.03.09

**Exclusion of the Public and Press** - that under the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 (as extended by s.100 of the LGA 1972), the public and accredited representatives of newspapers be excluded from the following item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of Schedule 12A of the LGA 1972:

- a. A resolution to exclude the press and public as above
  - A resolution was not required as no members of the public or press were present.
- **b.** To confirm the successful 6 months probationary period of the current postholder of Parish Clerk and that her permanent appointment be approved.
  - Deferred to next meeting; RB/FC; unanimous.

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at 7.45 pm.