



Tisbury Parish Council – Minutes of May Meeting 1 **Held at 7:20pm on Tuesday 3rd May 2022**

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Questions or Statements – 2 issues were raised by residents:

a. The Lush Meadow (agenda item 22.05.06a.)

Reference was made to the two documents available as agenda papers that reported on progress with the formation of a charity to raise funds for the purchase of part of the meadow, delineation of the actual boundary of the land available, expert opinion on the worthiness of the land and independent access to the two areas of land.

However, concerns were raised about the potential splitting of this area of land that might have unintended consequences in the future.

Finally, a request for the Councillors to resolve to accept the land as a gift, to be held in perpetuity for the conservation of wildlife and the benefit of the community.

This matter would be discussed as a part of the council meeting.

b. Planning applications PL/2022/02890 & PL/2022/03177 (agenda item 22.05.04a)

The planning applications related to the North Barns in Quarry Lane, Chicks Grove.

Concerns were raised by adjacent neighbours about the potential noise from the proposed Sculptor's Studio that was not defined in terms of scale and with no proposed mitigation measures put forward for increases in noise levels.

Residents also felt that the representation of the Shepherd Huts on the plans was misleading (being approximately twice the size of those more commonly seen) and that ground works had already started without consultation. The Shepherd Huts were also only 3m distant from the boundary of the field and were not screened in any way.

Proposals for refurbishment of the buildings were welcomed, but not for commercial purposes. Lastly, mention of compliance with TisPlan with reference to Historic and Natural Assets was made.

The planning applications were then discussed as a part of the council meeting.

Report from Wiltshire Councillor – 4 topics were noted:

- a. Wiltshire Council Cabinet made a formal change to the constitution of the Community Area Transport Group, now to be known as the Local Highways and Footways Improvement Group (LHFLIG) with double the funding and schemes including both new and existing assets.
- b. Help for Ukraine – the Refugee Team had now been expanded.
- c. Local History events would be held at the larger Libraries during May (not Tisbury).
- d. The Wiltshire Police target to have 1152 Officers within 2 years was still 134 short.

MEETING MINUTES

(*responsibility for action)

22.05.01

Those present:

Parish Councillors S. Davison (Chairman), R.A. Beattie, R. Buck, F. Corp, E. Coyle-Camp, N. Errington (also as a Wiltshire Councillor), V. Hillier (from 7:15pm), J. Mason, G. Murray - 9.

Also in attendance: 1 West Tisbury Councillor from the Neighbourhood Plan Amendments Group; attending virtually; up to 8 members of the public; S. Harry (Clerk).

Apologies: Councillors unanimously accepted the apologies of J. Phillips due to illness.

22.05.02

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: none required.

22.05.03

Resolution of Minutes

- a. April meeting 2 – unanimously resolved; RB/ECC (7 of those present). *Clerk

22.05.04

PLANNING MATTERS

a. Current applications: *Clerk

PL/2022/02818/ Removal/variation of conditions - 10 Beckford Close, Tisbury, SP3 6QT
Variation of condition 2 of 20/06295/VAR for removal of that aspect of condition 2 which (a) makes the approval personal to Mrs J Fogerty and (b) requires the building removal if she no longer resides at the property

Councillors discussed this application for some time before concluding that the conditions personal to Mrs J Fogerty (a and b) should remain in place as the original plans submitted had not been adhered to during construction, i.e. built further away from the main address. Councillors followed on to **unanimously resolve to object** to the removal of the conditions proposed in the application; **GM/RAB**

PL/2022/02890/full - North Barns, Quarry Lane, Chicksgrove, Tisbury, SP3 6LY

Change of use of East Barn from storage barn to Sculptor's Studio.

Addition of 2 shepherd's huts in adjacent field.

Councillors discussed the comments made by residents of neighbouring properties in the public session; in particular, the size of the Shepherds Huts, the commercial nature of the Sculptor's studio and the lack of mitigation measures for the resulting increases in light and noise from the development.

Councillors followed with a resolution to object to the proposals and also to ask the Wiltshire Councillor to 'call-in' the application if Officers are minded to approve; **RAB/GM**.

PL/2022/03177/LBC – North Barns, Quarry Lane, Chicksgrove, Tisbury, SP3 6LY
Alterations to facilitate proposed change of use of East Barn from storage barn to Sculptor's Studio. Addition of 2 shepherd's huts in adjacent field.

Whilst Councillors had no objections to improving the structure of the barns, the existing works associated with the siting of the Shepherds Huts was thought to be inappropriate in an AONB and resolved to object; **RAB/GM**.

PL/2022/03030/TPO - 21 LADY DOWN VIEW, TISBURY, SP3 6LL

Cedar - shorten lateral branches by 1.5m and crown raise by 1.5m

Delegated decision of 'no objection' by the Village Tree Warden and Clerk.

b. Other Planning Matters:

i. **Updating TisPlan (Neighbourhood Plan)** – Councillor GM informed the meeting that although progress was being made, AECOM and D. McCann would not be reporting back until 6th May and therefore postponed the meeting of the Working Group due on the 4th May. It was noted that the Housing Policy (GM/CW) was practically ready apart from final editing.

ii. **Events for the Platinum Jubilee** – Councillor Coyle-Camp updated Councillors on a new event now being advertised (Jubilee Pudding) and a number of modifications to the timetable. Leaflets to all households would be available soon. *Clerk

iii. **Environment / Biodiversity** – although Councillor Phillips was not available, Councillors were referred to the information available about the 'Dark Skies Friendly' awards and **resolved** that the Council should apply for this distinction; **RB/GM**

unanimous

22.4.05

FINANCIAL MATTERS requiring Consideration/Resolution

a. **Internal Audit report** – Councillors were referred to the documentation from the Internal Auditor now available; in particular the 'observations'. The Clerk, having discussed these with the Finance Councillor (GM) and agreed appropriate action, indicated the response to each of the points raised and Councillors **unanimously** agreed the overall response; **GM/RAB** *Clerk.

Councillors noted that the Annual Governance and Accounting Return will be discussed at the May meeting 2 and received a copy of the forms in advance to consider any questions that might arise.

b. **TNR Response to Ukraine** – Councillor ECC informed the meeting of the difficulties being experienced by Ukrainian people with Sponsors in the Tisbury area that were not immediately on the radar of Wiltshire Council.

It was noted that Wiltshire Council needed to be informed of arrivals to ensure places at schools, NHS doctors etc. were available. In the meantime, financial help was required to buy basic supplies such as toiletries, clothing and transport costs.

Councillors **unanimously resolved** to fund such supplies from the Tisbury Neighbourhood Response reserves held by the Council; **ECC/NE**

(LGA 1972, Section 137) *Clerk

22.05.06

OTHER MATTERS requiring Consideration/Resolution

- a. **The Lush Meadow** – the proposals to progress this scheme put forward by the Tisbury Natural History Society (TNHS) and briefly discussed in the public session were examined in more detail along with potential problems/unintended consequences and benefits. Councillors modified the original resolution put forward by TNHS and subsequently resolved the following:

‘In the event that a charity established by the Tisbury & District Natural History Society is successful in raising funds and purchasing from the Lush family an area of land forming part of what is known as the Lush Meadow, the Parish Council will accept the land as a gift to be held in perpetuity for the conservation of wildlife and the benefit of the community. Tisbury Parish Council does not regard any part of the land (known as Lush’s field), as appropriate for development, in line with the AECOM assessment, September 2019.’

22.05.07

Items for Information / next agenda

- i. Community Awards – Councillor Errington informed the meeting that 10 nominations had been made and that the Judging Panel would be meeting soon.
- ii. Annual Governance and Accountability Return 2021–2022 (AGAR) – Councillors noted that the return would be available for resolution following completion at the May meeting 2; copies of sections 1 (to be completed) and section 2 (completed) were distributed at the meeting, to allow Councillors to ask any questions prior to that meeting.
- iii. Clerk Update – the Clerk informed Councillors that:
 - the wooden bench position had been agreed with Wiltshire Council, i.e. on the pavement immediately below the Reading Room.
 - As a part of the Jubilee celebrations, a Youth Disco would be held at the SK8 Park on Thursday 2nd June; arrangements were in hand.

22.05.08

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: no items raised.

22.05.09

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

- a. Tuesday 3rd May 2022 – Annual Parish Council Meeting + Monthly meeting 1
- b. Tuesday 17th May 2022 – Annual Parish Meeting + Monthly meeting 2

There being no other business, the meeting concluded at 9:45pm.