

## Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall Tur Langton

## 9th August 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllr T. Bladon (Chair), Cllr D. Molyneux, Cllr P. Officer, Cllr C. Staveley

Robin Palmer

In attendance – Alison Gibson, Clerk

Action

1.	94/23 –To Receive Apologies for Absence Cllr J. Anderson, - it was resolved to approve the reason for absence.	
	County Councillor Kevin Feltham.	
2.	95/23 – Declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests and granting of dispensations. Cllr Staveley declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in items 9.3.	
3.	96/23 – To approve the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2023. It was resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11/7/23 be approved and adopted as a true record.	
4.	97/23 – Questions from members of the public – none.	
5.	98/23 – List of important trees in the village and appointment of Tree Warden	

Mr Robin Palmer was welcomed to the meeting.

Cllr Bladon explained that the council would like to put together a comprehensive record of trees of importance in the village and would like to appoint a Tree Warden to help with this project. There are no trees with Tree Preservation Orders in the parish, however work to trees in the Conservation Area needs to be notified to Harborough District Council, who can reply by either making a Tree Preservation Order or allowing the work to go ahead. The Parish Council is a consultee on these applications and a record of trees would be helpful along with guidance from a Tree Warden to be able to include material considerations in the comments.

It was noted that the Parish Council doesn't own any trees, all the trees in the Parish are either owned by Highways or privately owned. Problems identified on Highways owned trees can be reported to them.

Mr Palmer agreed to be appointed Tree Warden for Tur Langton Parish and councillors thanked him.

It was resolved to appoint Robin Palmer as Tree Warden.

Mr Palmer is happy to meet with councillors to walk round the village to identify trees to make a start on the list. This will be fed back to the next meeting. He suggested free to use software which can be used to plot the trees on a map and mentioned scoring trees using TEMPO (Tree Evaluation Method for Preservation Orders).

It was agreed to include a Tree Warden section in future newsletters.

99/23 - Tourism Signing request from Windmill Farm Park, Kibworth - to agree plan for consultation with local residents. Leicestershire County Council (LCC) have contacted the Parish Council to advise that they have received a request for a brown tourism sign to be sited on Main Street at the junction with B6047 Shangton Road on the existing finger post. LCC have advised Windmill Farm Park that they will require agreement from Tur Langton Parish Council and that the Parish Council may also need to consult with any affected residents. A draft consultation leaflet was circulated and agreed, with a deadline for comments of 30/8/23. It was agreed to consult with the whole village. Cllr Bladon will print the leaflet off (see item 7 below Cllr Bladon for funding). The Parish Council will agree a response at the meeting on 12/9/23, taking any comments received from the consultation into account. 100/23 – To discuss and agree options for printing newsletters / flyers etc. Cllr Cllr Bladon is happy to print off flyers and newsletters using her printer. It was agreed to fund a Bladon printer cartridge to cover the cost of this printing. It was resolved to vire £100 from the "Grass Cutting" budget to the "Administration" budget to cover the cost of this. It was resolved to purchase a cartridge from Cartridgeink.co.uk at £93.24 (including VAT) for 3,150 pages. Clerk The clerk will purchase and claim back reimbursement. 101/23 - Community Speedwatch - update on locations, scheme dates and to decide whether to proceed. Leicestershire Police Traffic Management have confirmed that they cannot engage in Community Speedwatch (CSW) activity at any site where camera enforcement is being periodically carried out. They will clarify the current position on the B6047 Shangton Road and let the Parish Council know the outcome. Community Speedwatch have contacted the Parish Council to advise that the request to run CSW in Tur Langton has been approved, with provisional dates 30/9/23 to 13/10/23, however as Shangton Road is a community concern site covered by the Police Safety Van Enforcement it will not be possible to run it at this location and an alternative location will be discussed and arranged. Clerk It was agreed that unless clarification is received from Leicestershire Police about Shangton Road in the next four days to ask for CSW to be deferred until the earliest available dates next year. 102/23 - Planning 9.1 General Report and update on applications / decisions from Harborough District Council Decision from Harborough District Council since last meeting: 23/00911/TCA – works to trees (fell) Spring House, Main Street, Tur Langton – permitted. 9.2 To receive and accept comments agreed under Scheme of Delegation 23/00975/TCA – works to trees, Blue Rope Cottage, Shangton Road, Tur Langton. Comment agreed under Scheme of Delegation - "No Objection". It was resolved to accept this comment. Cllr Staveley left the meeting.

	9.3 To agree response to 23/01061/FUL – demolition of existing garage and erection of 2 storey side extension, Westcott, Shangton Road, Tur Langton.	
	It was resolved to comment – "No Objection".	
10.	103/23 – To confirm the dates of next meetings and items for next agenda.	
	12/9/23, 14/11/23, 9/1/24, 12/3/24, all starting at 7.30 p.m.	

Meeting was closed at 20.30 p.m.