

# Tunstead Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council on 19<sup>th</sup> January 2016

## In attendance

Gordon Guilding (Chair)	GG
Wendy Atkins	WA
Tim Place	TP
Chris Oakes	CO
Nigel Williams	NW
Eileen Oliver (Clerk)	EO

County Councillor Nigel Dixon

## Meeting adjourned for public participation, police report, district and county council reports

No public in attendance.

No police report.

No district council report.

## County Councillor's report

1. Anglian Plant Hire – covered under planning.
2. Scottow Enterprise Park has been granted Enterprise Zone status. New businesses will not have to pay business rates for the first five years.
3. The NCC budget consultation closed on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January. The final decision is due on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February.

## 1. Apologies for absence

None

## 2. Minutes of the meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> November 2015

Agreed as a true record.

## 3. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of 29<sup>th</sup> December 2015

Agreed as a true record.

## 4. Matters arising from these minutes.

1. Eileen Oliver has been appointed as clerk.
2. Insurance – the Council has changed insurer. AON have confirmed the details with WA.
3. Clerk to send dates of future meetings to County and District councillors. **Action: EO.**

## 5. Finance

1. Tunstead church have asked the Parish Council for a contribution towards the cost of grass cutting – it was agreed to pay half the cost, which will be £268 for this financial year.
2. Norse – copies have been obtained of the missing invoices and were paid in December.

## 6. Planning matters

Beeches Farm planning application PF15/1024. This is a retrospective application to change the use of the site from agricultural to industrial.

NW reported on the meeting of the NNDC development committee on 14<sup>th</sup> January: Four district councillors including Simon Shaw and the Environmental Health Officer objected to the application. Objections were mainly concerned with traffic movements and an industrial site being located in close proximity to a residential area.

The application was refused, but Mr Patterson has one month to submit a plan for addressing the environmental health issues. Councillor Nigel Dixon and the EHO will meet with Mr Patterson to discuss ways of mitigating the impact of the business.

None of the twenty staff employed at the business are from Tunstead.

Clerk to write to NNDC requesting that the parish council be kept informed of developments.

**Action: Clerk.**

## 7. Village Hall and Playing Fields Committee

The following events are planned:

12<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Chris Wilson.

May – yard sale.

12<sup>th</sup> June – Village fête.

17<sup>th</sup> July – Family Fun Day.

TP confirmed that the open farm day will be on 5<sup>th</sup> June.

A small profit has been made on all events so far, including £80 on calendars.

There have been complaints about tree heights and the pit at the back of the playing field.

## 8. Newsletter

Johanna Gardner will continue until May, when Eileen Oliver will take over.

## 9. Any other business

1. GG will not be standing for chairman in May and asked that his fellow councillors prepared to vote in a replacement. He will continue to be a parish councillor. CO offered to take on anything that he could do to ease the pressure on GG.
2. GG thanked WA for her hard work standing in for the clerk.
3. It was agreed not to change the contact details for the council until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2050.

Signed ..... Date .....  
Chair

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of March at 7.30pm.

