

SOUTH TARRANT VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY, 11th September 2018
AT THE ANNE BIDDLECOMBE HALL, TARRANT KEYNESTON AT 7pm**

Present: Councillors Cossins, Deketeleare, Eaton, Lee, Harding, Munford, Parker, Sweetland and Thomson.

In attendance: District Councillor Skipwith, Clerk Mrs Huck

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Garland and Thompson.

2. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest for this meeting.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th July were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. County Councillor's Report

Councillors confirmed receipt of a report from the County Councillor. Subjects included Shadow Council developments, Christchurch Borough Council Judicial Review, Free Childcare applications, GDSF and Military Personnel Grant Funding success.

Councillors noted Councillor Croney was not a member of the Shadow Council Cabinet.

5. District Councillor's Report

District Councillor Skipwith highlighted the meeting minutes of Tarrant Hinton Parish Council held post the Steam Fair which indicated extreme concern and dissatisfaction over the management of this year's event. The Chairman confirmed his farm business had been adversely affected. Heavy vehicle use of Valley Road was also confirmed. It was suggested sat nav use may have contributed to this and any future police presence at the junction in Tarrant Keyneston may also cause delays and congestion. The Chairman and Councillor Harding will attend the post event meeting on 4th October, 10.30am in the Steam Fair buildings.

6. Open discussion - members of the public may raise issues.

(a) Tarrant Crawford post box: the Chairman stated a resident had raised the matter of the box having been stolen and so the postal collection service withdrawn from the village. It was:

RESOLVED a letter will be sent to the Royal Mail highlighting the need for support of a collection in Tarrant Crawford and similar rural areas.

(b) St Richard's Close phone box: glass panes broken and due for repainting. Tarrant Rawston phone box: appears not to be in service. The Clerk would follow up on these items.

7. Financial statements for July\August 2018

The Clerk had previously emailed a statement showing expenditure set against budget, together with a bank reconciliation. The reserves figure was highlighted as being healthy and this situation prudent given the unknown effects of the new unitary authority and council tax harmonisation.

Chairman.....

8. To approve cheques as per schedule

The Council approved and instructed the signature of the following cheques:

632	Blandford Town Council	£20.00
633	Clerk's salary	At agreed rate
634	Clerk's expenses	£175.07

Planning – the Clerk confirmed receipt of an application in respect of Mead House. Council **AGREED** a site visit was necessary and requested arrangements be made for this.

9. Fingerpost directional signs

Cllr Harding reported on contact with Cranborne Chase AONB, with the grant procedure being very labour intensive. Advice had been asked on the use of plastic posts and was awaited. Cllr Eaton reported she had taken time to look at those in Holt Parish and, whereas had been previously sceptical, was now in full support of the material's use. It was noted posts in the parish were now in rapid decline and questioned whether only replacing one a year was the correct way forward. It was also noted £200 in CPRE grant had been received towards the project.

10. Great Dorset Steam Fair

The Clerk confirmed the Council's preferred arrangements for the distribution of any complementary tickets etc in 2019. Village councillors would alternate responsibility and it was: **RESOLVED that, as per 2018, (a) any 2019 complementary tickets be proportionately distributed amongst the parish and be allocated at the village councillors' discretion and (b) 2 for 1 vouchers be placed in the True Lovers pub with the consent of the tenants.**

11. Council noticeboard refurbishment

Councillor Thompson was absent from this meeting and had requested the item be added to the November meeting agenda.

12. 2018 Remembrance Sunday

Arrangements for a proposed road closure in support of the Memorial service were discussed. It was considered potentially extended timings, numbers of uninvolved residents affected and cost of required signage made this impractical and: **RESOLVED the application for Remembrance Sunday road closure would not go ahead and the Council would not have direct involvement in a commemoration event.**

13. General Data Processing Regulations

Cllr Thompson gave a working party update. The Council's data map had been comprehensively reviewed, two documents previously circulated were presented and a Subject Access Request Procedure and Data Breach Procedure would be brought to a future meeting for adoption. Cllr Lee recorded thanks to Cllr Thomson and the Clerk for the input needed on this matter. It was then: **RESOLVED the GDPR Privacy Notice and Data Protection Policy be adopted by the Council, reviewed annually and published on the website.**

14. Grit Bin

The possible resiting of the bin in Valley Road to Blandford Road was being discussed by the Chairman and the resident responsible for the suggestion and would be put on the next agenda for update.

Chairman.....

15. Highways

(a) Tarrant Rushton trees\electricity cables – Cllr Harding reported the low hanging branches were the riparian owner’s responsibility. The owner had in turn been advised by DCC’s Highways to seek legal advice and, given the apparent reluctance of SSE to take action, an official complaint had now been lodged with them. It was **AGREED** the Council would monitor and record progress of the situation.

(b) Footbridge at The Splash, Tarrant Rushton – the Clerk had reported concern over the condition of the untreated support posts to DCC, given they had been recently replaced. In turn the Community Highways Officer had inspected them and did not feel further work was required.

(c) Wildflower Grass verge Blandford Hill – a resident had commented this verge needed cutting as the seed had set and that in future years in May the small but important area of Spring Orchids could be marked for protection whilst the rest be cut to improve visibility. The Clerk had passed this information to the Community Highways Officer.

16. Footpaths

(a) Crawford Drove bridleway – for the next agenda.

(b) Indicator post, Tarrant Keyneston: for the next agenda.

17. True Lovers Knot Public House site usage – the Chairman reported a resident’s concern over the parking \ camping area usage. It was understood there would be a change of landlord tenancy and:

RESOLVED the incoming tenants of the True Lovers Knot be invited to attend a meeting of the Council to support working\community relationships going forward.

18. Local Government Association Consultation – green paper for adult social care and wellbeing

The Council noted the above.

19. Central Government Consultation – (1) the intention to make exploratory shale gas well pads a Permitted Development Right obviating the requirement for planning permission and (2) to bring shale gas production into the National Strategic Infrastructure Project regime, removing planning applications from local control at county level to a central government departmental inspectorate, leading to the compulsory acquisition of land where necessary.

The Council noted the above.

20. DAPTC

Cllr Eaton reported raising a question as requested on GDPR lawful processing and on English Parish Councils not being considered public authorities for the purposes of GDPR. There had been no definitive answer.

21. River Tarrant

It was reported the river levels were considered low.

22. Superfast Broadband (SBB)

It was noted Tarrant Rushton now had SBB connection and **AGREED** this matter did not need to be a standing agenda item in future.

Chairman.....

23. Correspondence

Councillors confirmed receipt of the correspondence from Cranborne Chase AONB on its bid to be an International Dark Sky Reserve. It was suggested an item be placed in the Tarrant Times.

24. To decide items for next agenda

Draft budget
Crawford Drove bridleway
Fingerpost signs refurbishment
Council noticeboard refurbishment
GDPR
Grit bin resiting
Great Dorset Steam Fair wash up meeting
True Lovers Knot – tenant invitation (November meeting?)

25. Date of next meeting

Confirmed as 13th November 2018 at 7pm.

Signed(Chairman) Date.....