

**TANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
HELD ON MONDAY 22nd MAY 2017
AT TANGLEY PARISH VILLAGE HALL**

PRESENT:

Brian Comley, David Eldred, Nigel Bull, Martin Thomson, Charles Haswell and Tim Strong. Cllr Kirsty Locke (HCC) and Cllr Peter Giddings (TVBC) were also present and the Clerk was in attendance. 12 members of the public were present, 7 of which are on the Village Hall Committee.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Steve Kershaw

MINUTES OF LAST YEAR'S MEETING:

Brian Comley summarised the contents of the minutes of last year's meeting which was held on 23rd May 2016. Approval of the minutes was proposed by Nigel Bull and seconded by David Eldred. Brian Comley then signed the minutes as a true record.

ADOPTION OF STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS:

Our Standing Orders have not changed since last year and are based on the HALC recommended model (2010). Our Financial Regulations remain the same as last year and are based on the HALC recommended model (2014). A newly dated copy of each document was produced and adopted by full council for the year.

CHAIRMANS REPORT:

See attached.

FINANCE REPORT:

See attached.

The precept request for the 2017/18 financial year was increased by £500 to £8,500.

OPEN MEETING:

Alex and Kate Letteriello from Hatherden Barn produced plans for a proposed extension to their development which will fall outside the rules of permitted development. As this will be a full planning application the parish council will receive plans to review in due course.

The meeting closed at 7.16pm

Tangley Parish Council **Annual General Meeting**

22nd May 2017

Chairman's Report

Welcome to the AGM/ Parish Assembly of Tangley Parish Council.

I would like to start as normal by thanking all our councillors for their commitment to the Parish Council during the past year. Our parish councillors support all the work of the council in their voluntary roles and without their continued support the Parish Council simply could not function. On behalf of all of us I also thank our clerk Julia Rennie for her hard work supporting the council by looking after all of our administration and finances. At interview stage Diana Abbot was a close second so I am pleased Julia was chosen for the task.

Thanks also go to the network of support that we rely on from sub committees and volunteers who help with many tasks such as operating and maintaining the parish hall, maintenance of our extensive footpath network, pursuing BT for a reasonable broadband service, the Speedwatch group, the Fete committee and all of those who support the Tangley Flower show.

One final thanks to Councillors Tim Rolt and Peter Giddings who work hard to support the work of the parish council and importantly assist us with grants and applications when they become available. Unfortunately Tim Rolt has not retained his seat in the recent elections and we therefore wish him well for the future and welcome our new councillor Kirsty Locke who we look forward to working with in the future.

This year we have welcomed a new councillor to the team, Charlie Haswell kindly joined us last year and brings some excellent skills and a fair-mind approach to the team. The parish also welcomed the new Head Teacher of Hatherden school Katy Peters who attended one of our meetings earlier in the year to introduce herself. We look forward to developing a strong relationship with the school in the coming months.

In the past year we have completed further work to the AED provision in the parish and produced information cards for all of the parishioners giving them vital information on where to find their nearest unit and how to use it. The original cabinets and locking mechanisms proved to be unreliable and therefore needed to be replaced. Steve Kershaw worked extremely hard and managed to persuade the manufacturers to accept responsibility and they agreed to supply new improved cabinets which were duly fitted.

We have also introduced the Heartsafe monitoring scheme which ensures that all the units are checked and verified at least once a fortnight and we are extremely grateful to those who carry out this monitoring. This monitoring made us aware that the batteries and pads require replacement every two years and work to replace these is currently being carried out. Pot holes continue to be a problem and in particular the road edges which are eroded as vehicles are becoming much wider. This means that on some of the smaller roads two vehicles cannot pass each other without damaging the road, verge and generally causing a mess. There are generally ample passing places and with a little consideration and a few extra seconds the damage can be prevented.

As the government funded permissive path scheme came to an end the temporary use that we had been afforded of some footpaths in our parish has been withdrawn. We are however delighted that with the help of a grant from Hampshire Rights of Way and Jon Capes some of these paths will be re-opened. The original date for the re-opening was June but the exceptionally dry weather through April has hampered the grass growth and we will therefore need to wait until later in the summer for these paths to be re-opened. This arrangement is to be reviewed annually and we therefore ask for people to respect the boundaries, keep to the footpaths and not to cause damage which could result in the permission being withdrawn.

The decision was taken this year to increase the Parish precept by £500. This was based on the ever increasing costs of maintaining and insuring our assets and generally operating the council.

Earlier this year the owners of Plough Farm presented an outline proposal for a development of the farm while they consider the future of the site. Their objective was to engage with the residents and provide a suitable scheme which would give the community some much needed affordable housing, some downsize properties and some medium size family homes. The plans received mixed views and a small group of residents have written to the owners expressing their objection to any scheme while others have expressed support of the proposal.

That concludes my report with the exception of a small plea for all of us to continue supporting the assets, businesses and events in our parish. These things help to enrich our beautiful parish and without your support they will simply be lost and on that note, I am obliged to mention that schedules for the Tangley Flower and Produce show are available now.

Thank You

Brian Comley
Chairman
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Financial Report for 2016-2017

The balance of the parish council's account at the beginning of the financial year was £8,825 (audited year end figure 2015/16).

Receipts during the past financial year totalled £15,885.20.

These included a precept of £8000, a donation from the flower show of £350, fete proceeds for the sports facilities of £681.87, coaching fees from use of the court of £318 and £99.60 for lighting cards, a grant of £779 from NALC to upgrade our website to comply with the Transparency Code, a payment from HT of £431.50 for their share of SLR related costs (VD still to pay), £196 from Philip Wray for the HeartSafe sub, rent from TAG of £50 and a small amount of bank interest of £2.73.

Expenditure during the past financial year totalled £16,447.26 (gross).

£685.34 was spent on playing field maintenance, £8,030.83 was spent on playing field improvements, £25 on repairing one of our SLR's, £380 on our AED 's (info. Cards and HeartsSafe sub) and £637.03 on insurance. The remaining expenditure was on various compulsory fees such as internal and external audits, data protection registration, subscriptions to parish related organisations and the clerk's salary and expenses.

The balance of the parish council's account at the end of the financial year 2016-2017 was **£8,263.67** of which £4,445.86 is held on behalf of the sports group and £196 on behalf of the SpeedWatch group. A VAT refund due to the parish council at the year-end amounts to £249.46 and the VD contribution towards SLR costs of £431.50 which will bring PC funds up to £3,871.27 at the year end.

The precept request for the 2017/18 financial year was £8,500

Julia Rennie
Responsible Financial Officer

22/5/2017