

**Minutes of the Tanworth-in-Arden Parish Council Meeting
held on Thursday 17th January 2019 at 19.30 hours at Tanworth Village Hall**

Public Forum

There were 4 members of the public present together with County Councillor Horner and District Councillor Atkinson.

Steve Hird from Duchy Homes had asked to speak to the Parish Council to discuss the current situation regarding the Cank Farm site and the issue of the affordable housing. Mr Hird outlined Duchy Homes' latest proposal to supply 6 affordable houses on the Cank Farm site which would be sold at 60% of market value if the social rent option was not viable. These affordable houses would remain discounted in perpetuity using a recognised criteria normally applied for affordable homes of who would be eligible to purchase these houses. Mr Hird confirmed that the quality of the affordable housing would be the same as the quality of the other houses on the site.

Mr Hird said that his main concern is to secure planning consent but he also discussed the layby in Well Lane and the steps to the church and confirmed that Duchy Homes are happy to work with residents to come to an amicable solution regarding these and other issues.

Jenny Buckley gave the following report on behalf of the Earlswood and Forshaw Heath Residents' Association (EFHRA):

- There is to be a Lakes Clean-up on 20th January.
- EFRHA is pleased and grateful to report that Warwickshire County Council (WCC) has agreed to include Springbrook Lane and Small Lane on its gritting route. Unfortunately, due to the lack of a turning circle, Malthouse Lane cannot be included in the gritting route but the suggestion is to have some gritting bins supplied along Malthouse Lane.
- The cybercrime event has still not been finalised.

A resident asked for an update of the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). It was confirmed that a draft was approved at December's meeting but this is currently with Stratford District Council (SDC) awaiting their comments.

Mr Way addressed the Parish Council about his current planning application for Robin Hood Farm and explained the rationale behind it.

County Councillor Horner spoke about the following:

- The main job this month is setting the budget and forward planning.
- The forecast is that an additional £40m will need to be saved over the next 5 years.
- The Council's discretionary budget is due to increase but the major part of the increase is in children's and adult social care with the consequence of severe pressure on other services.
- Gritting – Cllr Horner is trying to persuade WCC the allow parishes to fund extra gritting.
- Councillor Horner warned that parishes need to think seriously about funding things themselves, event things such as road repairs.

Councillor Horner then invited questions:

Councillor Oakley thanked Councillor Horner for his help in getting Springbrook Lane and Small Lane added to the gritting route.

Councillor Horner was questioned about how far the red lines which are going on the Causeway would extend in to Malthouse Lane. Cllr Horner said that he would forward a plan. Jenny Buckley pointed out that the implementation of the red lines on the Causeway would require lit signs at either end.

District Councillor Atkinson spoke about the following:

- CIL payments. Cllr Atkinson has been to see the medical practice on Broad Lane to see what their needs are and will send a file note to The Clerk. There won't be any money available until the Autumn. Cllr Atkinson then queried an item from the minutes in June 2018 which stated that *Cllr Oakley said that he had been instrumental in securing CIL money for the Doctors' surgery in Tanworth from Solihull MBC*. Councillor Oakley felt that the minutes didn't accurately reflect the situation and he explained that he had spoken to 2 doctors at the practice and advised them that they could speak to Solihull MBC to see if there was a possibility of them obtaining any CIL money.

The Public Forum was closed at 20.24

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Present: Councillor Willmott (Chair), Councillor Cunningham, Councillor Oakley, Councillor Ross, Councillor O'Brien, Councillor Burgess, Councillor Saunders, Councillor Sheppard, Councillor Instone and Councillor Jones

In attendance: Julie White, Clerk to the Parish

18/19/150 - Apologies for absence – Councillor Keogh and Councillor Chaudry

18/19/151

- **To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda-** None
- **To receive written request for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)-** None
- **To consider any requests for dispensations as appropriate-** None

18/19/152 -To Confirm and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 20th December 2018

Councillor Willmott proposed that the minutes were a true and accurate record. Seconded by Councillor Burgess. All those present at the meeting of 20th December were in favour so Councillor Willmott signed the minutes.

18/19/153 - Matters arising from the minutes, not otherwise dealt with –

Councillor Ross reported that Tanworth in Arden Residents' Association (TiARA) had recently met with Duchy Homes regarding the mix and affordability of housing on the Cank Farm site.

18/19/154 - Matters raised in the Public Forum –

- Jenny Buckley was thanked for her efforts that have persuaded WCC to grit Springbrook Lane and Small Lane. Regarding the grit bins in Malthouse Lane, Mrs Buckley will pass details of potential sites to the Parish Council for consideration.

18/19/155 - To note items of correspondence received - The list of correspondence was noted with the following items being highlighted:

- 6.20 – SDC request for Parishes to help with the elections in May by becoming local supply, collection and checking points. The Clerk has sent confirmation to SDC that we would be willing to participate.
- 6.45 - Letter from SDC outlining their intention to submit a bid for improved broadband and was asking for Parish Councils to express an interest if they wished to be included in the bid. The Clerk was asked to express an interest on behalf of Tanworth in Arden Parish Council.

18/19/156 - Finance

- i) Chairman's Report – the budget and precept was set at the last meeting.
- ii) Items for payment: Councillor Willmott proposed that the payments are accepted en bloc and £3000 is transferred from the Deposit Account to the Current Account.

18/19/157 - Planning

- i) Report from the Chairman of the Planning Committee – no report
- ii) To note decision notices:

Application	Address	Proposal	Decision
18/03368/HHPA & 18/03453/HHPA	Linden Lodge, Broad Lane	The erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 8m, for which the max height would be 3m and for which the height to the eaves would be 3m	Prior approval granted

18/00978/FUL	Land adjacent to Hedgelands, The Common	Erection of detached dwelling with new access and associated works	Permission with conditions
18/02776/FUL	Land adjacent to Hardwick House, Broad Lane	Change of use of land to equestrian use and erection of stables for personal use	Permission with conditions
18/03107/FUL	Greenacres, 86 Shutt Lane	Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 2 new dwellings	Permission with conditions
18/02697/FUL	Aspley Heath Lane	Proposed front porch and single storey rear and side extension	Permission with conditions
18/03461/FUL	Aldersyde, Broad Lane	Single storey front extension	Permission with conditions

iii) To consider planning applications:

Application	Address	Proposal	PC Comment
18/02882/FUL	The Leasowes, Umberslade Farm Park, Tanworth in Arden	Change of use of land to allow the erection of a temporary marquee from March to October to accommodate school children on farm visits and occasional events	No Representation
19/00026/AGNOT	Cottage Farm, Alcester Road	Portal framed agricultural building for livestock	No Comment
18/03647/FUL	159 Malthouse Lane, Earlswood	Side and rear extensions	No Representation
18/03779/FUL	Robin Hood Farm, Danzey Green Lane, Danzey Green	Demolition of two existing agricultural barns (approved for conversion to a dwelling under reference 18/01530/COUQ & 18/02280/COUQ) and construction of 2 new 1.5 storey traditionally designed dwellings. Demolition of existing domestic garage and erection of replacement garage for replacement dwelling approved under 18/00788/VARY	No Representation

18/19/158 – Any update on the Neighbourhood Development Plan

Councillor Saunders reported that at the last meeting the draft NDP was approved subject to minor changes. The draft is currently with SDC for them to see if there were any ‘show stoppers’ and also to confirm certain environmental matters. A response from SDC is still awaited.

18/19/159– Matters carried over from the Finance & General Purpose Committee:

- i) To discuss adopting a training policy (LC) – deferred
- ii) To discuss policing and crime in the area (standing item). Councillor O’Brien has taken responsibility for the questionnaire and asked if there is still a need for the questionnaire and what outcome did the PC see? It was agreed that Councillor O’Brien would make a recommendation to the next meeting.
- iii) Any update re parking issues in Bell Field (LC) - deferred

18/19/160 – To consider quotes to replace the rotten section of fencing in Malthouse Lane following a £500 grant from Warwickshire County Council towards this project

The Clerk had obtained 3 quotes and presented them in tabulated form to the Council. Councillor Saunders proposed that the middle priced quote of £850 is accepted. Seconded by Councillor Jones. All in favour.

18/19/161 – Does the parish have a policy to determine times of opening and closing the park?

Councillor O’Brien reported that he wanted to clarify the times of the opening and closing of the park to confirm to the Canal and River Trust (CRT) and asked if there is a policy? Councillor Willmott confirmed that the park opens at 8.30 am and then it is half an hour before sunset for the remainder of the year with 20.30

being the latest closing time. Councillor O'Brien proposed that the opening and closing times of the park are confirmed as being 8.30am opening and the latest closing time is 20.30hours in the summer and a closing time of 30 minutes before sunset for the remainder of the year. Seconded by Councillor Oakley. All in favour. Councillor Willmott will bring proposed closing times for when the park will shut before 20.30hours to the next meeting.

18/19/162 – To review Standing Orders 58 – 61

Due to the changes that are required, it was agreed at the next meeting the Council will consider adopting the model standing orders and adapting them accordingly rather than carrying on with the review of the current standing orders . All in favour.

18/19/163 – To confirm meeting dates for 2019

The meeting dates were agreed with the Parish Assembly date confirmed as 10th April at Earlswood Village Hall.

18/19/164 - To present the OneDrive and Shared folder access - this was presented and Councillors were asked to let the office know if they had any suggestions for inclusion in the shared folder access.

18/19/165 - Work around the Parish:

- Sign by The Limes still down
- By Engine House, often lots of traffic. Give Way sign required
- Councillor Oakley felt that signs may be required on the Causeway urging pedestrians to be careful
- Fencing broken on the Causeway
- As St Patricks school parents are arrived at 14.30 and earlier and there are long queues of traffic SMBC to be asked for layby/passing place to be installed
- Fly tipping in Tithe Barn Lane
- Signs need cleaning – clerk to explore if Community Payback Scheme can help
- Bates Lane by the junction with Vicarage Hill – a stream of water has appeared
- Keep Left sign still down at the end of The Common by Broad Lane

18/19/166 - Items for future agenda/any other business – none

18/19/167 - To note date, place and time of next meeting:

21st February 2019 at Earlswood Village Hall, 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 21.33

Signed _____

Chairman of Meeting _____ Date