



# **TATWORTH AND FORTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Tatworth & Forton Parish Council Held on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 at 7pm Tatworth Memorial Hall**

**Present: Chairman Richard Down. Councillors: S. Adams, T. Eggins,  
A Goody, C Heal, L Matthey, J. MacOmish, K. Robbins & R. Wardell**

Also present: Clerk N Tinley, County Councillor G Verdon, District Councillor J Kenton. There were 17 Members of the Public and no members of the press present.

Minute of Silence was observed in support of the people of Ukraine

The Public was invited to address the Council about any matters not already on the agenda. Nothing was raised.

### **Report from County Councillor Gemma Verdon**

Referred to the Written Report from Councillor Verdon.

No questions were raised by the Councillors

### **Reports from District Councillors.**

District Councillor Kenton read out report from District Councillor Wale and herself.

### **46/22 To Receive Apologies.**

Councillor M. Marsh (Work) E. Peadon, (illness)

### **47/22 Declarations of Interest.**

Councillor Down Invoices 64/22

### **48/22 To approve and sign as a correct record Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022**

Proposed by Councillor Eggins, seconded by Councillor Wardell. All in Favour

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd February 2022 be signed as a correct record.

**49/22 To approve and sign as a correct record Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 17th February 2022**

Proposed by Councillor MacOmish, seconded by Councillor Eggins. All in Favour with one Abstention.

**50/22 Chairman's Announcements:**

None

**51/22 Parish Councillors-** Update on applications, closure date 3<sup>rd</sup> March, call extra-ordinary meeting if required.

Although interest was noted, no formal application received within the deadline. Therefore remain with 11 Councillors until Election.

**52/22 Flooding Update in Tatworth –** To receive a Report from the Tatworth working party and the Chard meeting.

Councillor Heal read her report.

7.20pm Chairman Adjourned meeting to allow member of public to speak

Requested that Sandbags be available for individual properties as well as main store.

7.22pm Resumed meeting.

Cause of flooding still not determined officially as section 19 report is awaited. Progress is slow as the big issue is the amount of water coming down stream from Chard.

Other areas of Tatworth that previously have been flooded such as School Lane to be included in flood working party.

Resilience sheds to be purchased whether or not we get a grant.

**53/22 Flooding in Forton –** To receive an update on current position

The residents are still meeting to clear the drains. The main issue is the quantity of water coming from upstream.

**54/22 Planning:**

**P/FUL/2022/00109 Chard Junction Quarry, Westford Park Farm.**

7.40pm Chairman Adjourned meeting to allow Mr Lampey to speak

7.22pm Resumed meeting.

After discussion Councillor MacOmish proposed, seconded Councillor Eggins All in Favour

**RESOLVED:** The application be refused by the Council.

The wording of the reply was discussed and it was proposed by Councillor Matthey  
Seconded Councillor Heal, all in favour

**RESOLVED:** That Councillors MacOmish and Wardell meet with the Clerk to  
finalise the response.

**21/03847/FUL Priorsford Forton Rd**

7.55pm Chairman Adjourned meeting to allow the owner and representative to speak

8.00pm Resumed meeting.

Proposed Councillor Wardell, Seconded Councillor MacOmish, 6 in favour 3  
abstaining.

**RESOLVED:** No Objections

**21/03634/HOU Greenbank Post Office Lane**

Proposed Councillor Wardell, Seconded Councillor Eggins, 7 in favour 2 abstaining.

**RESOLVED:** 1. Parking to be compensated by widening driveway. 2. No other  
objections.

**22/00364/HOU Barnsdale Forton Rd**

Proposed Councillor Wardell, Seconded Councillor Down, All in favour

**RESOLVED:** Note: No County nor SSDC Highways response at time of writing.  
Highway access is difficult recommend annex not to be independent of existing  
property otherwise no objections.

**22/00115/HOU Beechway Fore St Tatworth**

Proposed Councillor Wardell, Seconded Councillor Eggins, All in favour 2 abstaining.

**RESOLVED:** Approval subject to ecology survey recommendations being observed,  
including any recommendations concerning hedgerow and stream.

**55/22 Queens Platinum Jubilee –**

**02 June-Playing Field-**

Proposed Councillor Matthey Seconded Councillor Eggins 5 in Favour 4 abstaining.

**Resolved:** An Afternoon and Evening free to enter event to celebrate the Queens  
Platinum Jubilee with Chard Active Learning and Skills (£500), evening with the band  
Seatrees with them also providing disco (£500). Free Lorry base from Whaetons

Various Bunting and Flags to be purchased. Hog roast to be operated by the playing field with financial support from the Parish. Funding to be finalised with the playing field association. Anticipated spend £1950.

Discussed type of Beacon to be purchased.

Proposed Councillor Matthey, seconded Councillor Goody 8 in favour 1 abstention.

**Resolved:** An official gas fired beacon be purchased £500

### **03 June-Forton Community Hall**

Community Hall are looking to arrange a late afternoon village gathering with family games and food, BBQ and cream tea.

Proposed Councillor Adams, seconded Councillor Heal 5 in favour 4 abstaining

**Resolved:** The Council support this event financially £510.

### **03 June-Perry St Club**

The club is putting on a disco early evening and band.

Proposed Councillor Matthey, seconded Councillor Heal 5 in favour 4 abstaining

**Resolved:** The Council support this event financially £1200

The supply of Pin Badges or Mugs for the Children were discussed.

Proposed Councillor Eggins, seconded Councillor Heal 6 in favour 3 abstaining

**Resolved:** The Council will purchase Mugs with our logo and date, supplied locally at £2.50 each. 300 = £750

**Chairman requested suspension of standing orders for the meeting to continue.** 5 in favour 4 abstentions.

Councillors Robbins and Eggins (Work) left the meeting.

**56/22 Coombes Pond** –To receive an update from Clerk

Letter sent to Lindsey Bristow at Swiss Tulle drawing clause 4 to their attention to allow us to extend the lease for 25 years.

She confirmed receipt and The Board is meeting in the UK on 8/9<sup>th</sup> March and Coombes Pond is on the agenda.

**57/22 Climate Change Grant** –To receive an update from Clerk.

Tatworth Playing Fields-All Finished, Trying to arrange a meeting on site.

Forton Community Hall. Deposit sent.

Memorial Hall- Deposit Sent

Due to recent bad weather installations running behind, Forton is due soon.

### **58/22 Tatworth Street**

9.05pm Chairman Adjourned meeting to allow resident to speak

The street has no Street lighting or Pavements, currently 30 speed limit, a reduction to 20 would make the street safer for all.

9.10pm Resumed meeting

The reduction of speed limit requires statutory consultation, the process is expensive involving speed calming measures.

Proposed by Councillor MacOmish Seconded Councillor Down 6 in favour 1 against.

**Resolved:** The Clerk to start the process.

Councillor Goody Left meeting

### **59/22 Jubilee Field Tree Planting**

Proposed Councillor Matthey Seconded Councillor Matthey 4 in favour 2 abstaining

**Resolved:** To go ahead with the lower field flood mitigation planting being mindful of residents right to light.

### **60/22 Clerks Report**

#### **Cemetery Meeting**

**Car Park.** Description of works agreed, now we can go out for quotations.

**Garden of Remembrance** Needs extending Councillor Peadon drawing up plans and will go out for quotes.

**Rabbit Fence** New fence for left hand side to be fitted by M&J Moulard

**Cemetery Extension.** Company called CDS Group (was called Cemetery Development Services) chosen to do Pre application to Environmental agency then after approval, initial design, planning application, ecological and archaeological. This is the company that Bridgwater Town Council uses.

## **61/22 Finance Committee**

Councillor Adams nominated Councillor MacOmish 4 in Favour 1 abstention.

**Resolved:** Councillor MacOmish appointed to the Finance & Personnel Committee.

## **62/22 Board listing previous Parish Chairman in Memorial Hall**

Proposed Councillor Down Seconded Councillor Heal. All in favour

**Resolved:** To update and retain.

## **63/22 Dyke Hill Car Park. To discuss way forward.**

Councillor MacOmish Seconded Councillor Heal, in favour

**RESOLVED:** That this is deferred for a future meeting

## **64/22 Invoices for Payment:**

Councillor Down left the meeting and Councillor Wardell took over

B E Powell & Sons Clearing Plot 3 Allotments	£300 inc VAT
R Down Plant Contractor Cutting A358 hedge Jubilee/Allotments	£252 Inc VAT
St Johns Playgroup 2020 Grant, Minute 88/20 to hold in abeyance	£400 no VAT
Tatworth Memorial Hall, Office & Meetings	£914, no VAT
Forton Community Association Meeting	£20 No VAT
Evergreen Renewable Deposit Memorial Hall	£4300.50

Items paid for by Clerk

ILCA Qualification	£144 inc VAT
Amazon -20 Rubbish grabbers	£59.98 inc VAT
Queens-Jubilee Pin Badge 10	£12.89 inc VAT
Moneysoft- Payroll software renewal	£90 inc VAT

To be paid from Burial Account

R Down Plant Contractor Clearing-Mud from Car Park before large Dec funeral and cutting hedge on cemetery extension as quoted.	£288 inc VAT
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Staff Salaries £1056.76

Proposed Councillor Matthey Seconded Councillor MacOmish, all in favour

**RESOLVED:** That these invoices are paid.

Councillor Down returned to the meeting.

**65/22 Matters which the Councillors wish to report.**

- 1) Councillor Heal. Speed Group has requested notification where SID is being moved.
- 2) Councillor Down. There is a carport that has been build over a road drain in Loveridge Lane.

**DATE AND TIME NEXT MEETING**

**7PM 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022**  
**Meeting Closed 9.30pm**