TURWESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2017

Present: Cllrs D Richards (Chairman), A Kirkland, H Morrison, J Tilley, A Green, H Sime (Parish Clerk)

Cllr P Fealey (AVDC), Cllr C Clare (Bucks CC).

In Attendance: No members of the public were present.

		Action
1.	Apologies for absence: None	
2.	Declarations of Interest: The Councillors declared an interest in item 8 of the Agenda as all their properties were affected by the proposed HS2 Rail Link. Members would take a practical view and represent the interests of the electorate.	
3.	Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2017 were approved as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Tilley, seconded Cllr Morrison.	
4.	 County Councillor & District Councillor Reports: Cllr Fealey reported on a number of issues in Aylesbury Vale including: Enterprise zones – Silverstone, in particular, is doing well and is considered to be a good quality community development. National Infrastructure Commission – Oxford to Cambridge route. There is a need to look for the best route, not just to widen existing roads. AVDC has a loan facility availability of £100,000,000 from the government to fund future developments. Cllr Clare reported on the following: Minerals and Waste Consultation, including targeted sites for future locations. Childcare services are to change provision for early years to prevent children being at risk. HS2 were represented at the TfB conference. Roads are currently being assessed and marked prior to construction commencing end of 2018 at the earliest. Grass cutting is still an issue. Devolution could be good. Councillors expressed serious concerns about the level of service, with only 2 cuts in Turweston this year. There are definite improvements to the repair of potholes/drainage. Reporting problems online is the best way. Cllrs Fealey and Clare left the meeting at 7.15 pm. 	
5. i)	Parish Road/Paths/Verges: All potholes have now been repaired. It was confirmed that the footpath to the A43 underpass has now been cut, but the grass from the Stratton Arms pub to the bridge has not been done properly. Clerk to contact Calvin Richardson at TfB again.	Clerk
ii)	Footpath Diversion – Under the 1980 Highways Act, Bucks County Council made the Diversion Order on 21 August 2017. A discussion took place and it was generally felt that nothing further could be gained from objecting to this. Cllr Richards will draft a response to say that the PC doesn't object, provided that the public footpath is maintained and that all rally school vehicle movements are stopped for walkers.	DR
iii)	An application for tree work on The Green has been submitted to AVDC. Bucks CC to be notified on receipt of approval.	

6.	Report on Planning:	
0.	Applications:	
	17/03435/ATC Turweston Barn, Main Street, Turweston - Ash - 1 - Fell suppressed Ash because	
	of excessive shading. Alder - 2 - Fell, too large for site. Alder - 3 - Reduce by 30%.	
	17/03398/ALB The Stratton Arms, Main Street, Turweston – Replacement windows. No	
	Objection.	
	Decisions:	
	16/A4510/NON Land Adj to Chapel Cottage Chapel Lane Turweston - Non material amendment	
	to planning approval 16/04510/APP - Omission of a window to the kitchen (west elevation) of Plot 2. Approved .	
	Flot 2. Approved.	
7.	Brackley Developments – Traffic Calming Project:	
i)	Cllr Morrison had approached Nicholsons, but had a negative response. She will be contacting	НМ
1)	two other companies to arrange a meeting with them and the PC to discuss requirements for	111/1
	planting scheme.	
ii)	Cllr Green confirmed that the plaque acknowledging the AVDC New Homes Bonus Grant is ready	AG
	to be fixed to the gate and this will be done in the next few days. He will send a photo to the	Clerk
	Clerk, who will forward to Jan Roffe.	
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8.	HS2 Rail Link: Sangasta Chauban had requested a change of data from Thursday 26 October to Wednesday 25	
i)	Sangeeta Chauhan had requested a change of date from Thursday 26 October to Wednesday 25 October, so that all key people could attend. It was agreed that this would be acceptable. Clerk to	
	find out if the hall is available and to confirm with Sangeeta. A discussion took place about the	Clerk
	points which need to be raised. Sangeeta had been asked to provide details of the Western Power	CICIK
	presentation before the meeting, but this has not happened. Clerk to request this again when	
	confirming availability of the hall.	
ii)	STOP HS2 Account Balance as at 18 July - £350. It was agreed that payment to Joe Rukin would	
	be made for October - December. Cllr Morrison to arrange payment.	HM
iii)	A Land Interest questionnaire had been received from HS2. Cllr Richards has forwarded this to	
	David Sharman (Fields in Trust). Although Parish Councillors are the managing trustees, Fields in Trust have the final say in dealings with HS2 as they have legal title to the land.	
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9.	Report on the Playing Field	
i)	Cllr Morrison has inspected the Playing Field on a regular basis during August and has circulated	
-/	a report. Cllr Richards has inspected in September.	
ii)	The Fields in Trust Annual Inspection Report was previously circulated. Some work to the ground	
	in front of the goal, and to the goal posts, was recommended. It was proposed by Cllr Morrison,	
	seconded by Cllr Kirkland, and unanimously agreed to postpone this work until the HS2 work	
	begins. The goal posts will need to be re-positioned at that time, so it would be sensible to do the	
	work then.	
iii)	The hedgerow in Oatleys Road needs cutting. Cllr Morrison reported that the hedge has grown	
111,	rapidly. She will contact Ian Cone to see if John Wincott will be cutting his hedges this year and,	НМ
	if so, he may be able to do the Playing Field hedge at the same time. Cllr Green will be contacting	AG
	John Wincott and will liaise with Cllr Morrison.	
iv)	There is a lot of nettle growth behind the play equipment and along the boundary with High Elms.	
	Cllr Morrison suggested that Cartwrights might strim these areas when they cut the grass, possibly	
	3 times a year, starting in May 2018. Clerk to contact Jelena Cartwright for a quote.	Clerk
10.	Conservation Area Review update:	
10.	Nothing further has been heard from Freya Morris since councillors sent her their suggestions.	
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11. Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan:

The Local Plan was noted in respect of smaller villages.

12. Report on other Organisations:

None.

13. To report on Turweston Airfield:

No reports received. Clerk contacted Tanya Coles. She has nothing to report other than one complaint in July to say that an aircraft has flown over Whitfield.

14. Introduction of Smaller Authorities Transparency Obligations:

The Parish website is now 'live' and the Clerk has emailed residents to advise them. It was suggested that a counter be added to the website to see how many people are using it. Clerk to contact HugoFox.

Clerk

15. To Report on the Accounts:

i) Copies of the accounts to date and the bank reconciliation were circulated previously. Treasurer's A/C at 26 September 2017:15271.94 Business A/C:15541.12. The Chairman approved and signed the bank reconciliation.

Payments/Receipts:

Date	Payee	Gross	Net	VAT	Ch No	Detail
		£	£	£		
Invoices Pa	aid					
08/08/17	Mazars LLP	360.00	300.00	60.00	694	External Audit Fee
08/08/17	Cllr Tilley	57.42	47.85	9.57	695	Website expenses
08/08/17	Stop HS2 A/C	300.00			696	Payments to Joe Rukin to March 2018
08/08/17	A Taylor	75.00				Painting bench on The Green
22/08/17	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	698	Grass Cutting – July
13/09/17	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	699	Grass Cutting – August
Unpresent	ed Cheques/Payn	nents				
12/07/17	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	693	Grass Cutting - June
22/08/17	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	698	Grass Cutting – July
13/09/17	Cartwright Landscapes	189.00	157.50	31.50	699	Grass Cutting – August
23/09/17	Mrs H Sime	759.99			S/O	Clerks Salary July-Sept
Receipts						
25/07/17	HS2	340.00				Ground Survey
08/08/17	HMRC	3182.87				Vat Reimbursement

The Clerk reported that Mazars had completed the external audit and everything was satisfactory. The audit notice had been displayed on the notice board for 28 days and is also on the website.

iii) It was proposed by Cllr Richards, seconded by Cllr Morrison and unanimously agreed to make a donation of £200 to the PCC for the upkeep of the Churchyard.

16.	Matters raised by Councillors: Cllr Kirkland had emailed the PC to ask if anyone had noticed that the developers at Chapel Lane have moved the temporary fencing further into the road opposite Rose Cottage, and perhaps elsewhere, presumably to give them more room to work within the site. It is important that the road is not made any narrower. He queried whether the original site boundary is marked in some way so that it can eventually be returned to its original position.	
17.	Clerk's Correspondence:	
	All as circulated previously by email.	
18.	Date of next meeting:	
	21 November 2017.	
	The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.	

Signed:	