

SOUTH TARRANT VALLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY, 9th January 2018
AT THE ANNE BIDDLECOMBE HALL, TARRANT KEYNESTON AT 7pm**

Present: Councillors Cossins, Garland, Deketelaere, Harding, Lee, Munford, Parker, Thomson and Thompson.

In attendance: County Councillor Croney, District Councillor D Skipwith; Clerk Mrs K Huck

1. Apologies for absence

The Council received apologies from Councillors Eaton and Sweetland.

2. Declarations of interest and dispensations granted

Dispensations were granted to the Councillors Cossins, Lee and Munford to enable discussion of the draft budget in support of the precept setting. (Remaining councillors had received dispensation at the previous meeting, valid until May 2018.)

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman, with one amendment: Item 13 – Councillor Thompson amended to Councillor Thomson.

4. Report from the County Councillor

Councillors thanked Councillor Croney for her report which included information on the following: Local Government reorganisation, A350/C13 road improvements and the County Council's budget. Discussion on the budget gave further information on the children's services' overspend, in part connected to central government changes on the definition of Special Educational Needs and resulting in higher numbers being registered in this respect.

5. Report from the District Councillor

Councillor Skipwith confirmed the Norden hub for future services would be active from 15th February.

With agreement of the Council, the Chairman brought forward:

16. HGVs – to discuss traffic movement through the villages, including possible increases.

Councillor Thompson raised concern over the HGV traffic using the Valley Road through the village(s), particularly as there were no footpaths and in the absence of lighting. It was agreed there had been numbers of building projects in the last year which may have contributed to this. It was felt there was little further the Council could do in this respect

6. Open discussion of up to 30 minutes: members of the public may raise issues

Councillor Harding reported a discussion had been had with the tenant of the True Lovers' Knot (his daughter) on concerns raised over loud music. They in turn had confirmed they were aware of the potential for this and would do their best to manage it. It was AGREED this would not be a standing item on the agenda.

7. Fingerpost directional signs – to consider the project for the refurbishment of the sign at Tarrant Keyneston Mill.

Councillor Harding thanked Councillor Thompson for acquiring historical photographs of the sign, through one of the AONB volunteers who had been collecting them for a number of years. This

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had resulted in a costing being possible for accurate restoration of approximately £900. It was:

RESOLVED that (a) £200 be confirmed as a line in the 2018-19 (and possibly future) budgets; (b) that grants would be applied for from CPRE (£200) and Cranborne Chase AONB (possibly £500); (c) that Councillor Harding take the lead on the project and (d) a target of one restoration per year be the target if resources allow.

8. Highways – to report and decide on any matters, including those with any budgetary implications

Recent reporting of potholes had received a swift response. Councillors reported favourably on contact had with the Community Highways Officer for the area, which the County Councillor was pleased to endorse.

The Clerk suggested the possible hiring of Speed Indicator Devices might be investigated through the County Highways team. The Council AGREED and the County Councillor asked to be kept informed on this. The Clerk would report back to the next meeting.

9. Asset review – to receive information following the review and discuss any proposed works

Councillor Thomson reported on the asset review he had undertaken and for which he was thanked. Several assets were in need of minor maintenance. The following were AGREED:

Councillor Harding – the bench and noticeboard in Tarrant Rushton

Councillor Thompson – noticeboard in Tarrant Keyneston.

Councillor Garland – the bench behind the Tarrant Keyneston Hall during the annual spring clean.

10. Presentation of financial statement for November-December 2017.

The Clerk presented the financial statement showing full details of income and expenditure for November and December 2017 set against budget.

North Dorset Citizen's Advice - Grant – it was AGREED that a cheque be raised for signature at the March meeting for the sum of £150.

11. To approve cheques for payment as per schedule

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

607	Clerk's salary	At agreed rate
608	Tarrant Keyneston Village Hall hire	£50.00
609	Clerk's expenses	£11.70

12. To consider a budget for the 2018\19 financial year, including payment for grass cutting, in support of setting the precept.

The draft budget was considered before the submission of the Precept to North Dorset District Council by its requested deadline of 31st January 2018. it was:

RESOLVED that (a) the total budget figure should be set at £4575, meaning a Parish Council precept for a Band D House of £21.17 (an increase of £0.48 on 2017\18) and (b) the Council continue to pay Mr Kelly to maintain the War Memorial site for the coming financial year.

The Council thanked Mr Kelly for his continued and valued work on caring for the site, including the voluntary donations in terms of planting, etc that he has made. His work is much appreciated.

(Planning – no items for this meeting.)

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13. Annual Risk Management meeting – to set a date and confirm membership of a Council working group

The Clerk would contact councillors to arrange the annual working group meeting date. It was: **RESOLVED that Councillors Cossins, Garland and Thomson would form the group which will review assets, risk management and insurance arrangements.**

14. Defibrillator – to consider the purchase of a second machine and if so, the possible siting at All Saints Church.

This item was to be carried forward to the next meeting to allow Councillor Eaton to be present at the discussion.

15. Parish Transport Representative – to appoint a representative of the Council

It was:

RESOLVED that Councillor Thompson be the Council's Parish Transport Representative.

17. Consultation on Dog related control orders

The Clerk collated the council's views relating to this consultation.

18. Consultation - Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole Pre-Submission Draft Mineral Sites Plan & Draft Waste Plan

Councillors confirmed they were aware of this (and the following) consultation. There were no sites in the immediate vicinity of the Parish.

19. Consultation - North Dorset Local Plan Review - Issues & Options

See above.

20. General Data Processing Regulations (GDPR) due to come into force in May 2018

The Clerk confirmed further information on how this would relate to the Council's responsibilities was due to come from DAPTC and so it would be an agenda item for the March meeting.

21. Footpaths - to report and decide on any matters.

Councillor Thompson confirmed there was nothing to report.

22. DAPTC – as above, to include council representation

Councillor Lee had been one of two Council representatives at DAPTC Area Meetings, with Councillor Eaton being the other. As Councillor Lee was unable to continue in this role, the Chairman thanked him for his past service over a number of years. A further volunteer would be sought at the Annual Council Meeting in May.

23. River Tarrant – to receive any update on this

The Chairman reported there being conclusions the Stubbampton extraction was having an effect on the river.

24. Superfast Broadband – to receive any update

No further information available for this meeting.

25. Correspondence.

The Clerk confirmed all correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors.

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26. To decide items for next agenda

- Superfast broadband
- Defibrillator
- Fingerposts
- Annual Risk Management meeting

27. Date of next meeting

Confirmed as **13th March 2018**

Signed(Chairman)

Date