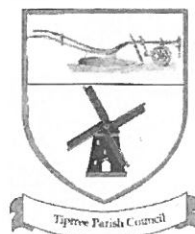


TIPTREE PARISH COUNCIL



MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING of TIPTREE PARISH COUNCIL

The Full Council Meeting of the Tiptree Parish Council took place in the Small Hall at the Community Centre, Caxton Close on Tuesday 1 February 2022 at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllrs

R Mannon (Chairman)	S Allen-Shepherd
C Bigg	J Bunney
J Greenwood	S Gulleford
C Kitley	M Maund (Deputy Chairman)
S Redgewell	D Webb
B Wood	M Woodcraft

Also in attendance –the Clerk of the Council and the Deputy Clerk.

- 157/21 **Apologies for Absence:** – Apologies for absence were Received and Noted from Cllrs. A Peck and N Mattinson.
- 158/21 **Declarations of Interest** – Cllr Redgewell declared an interest in item 168/21, as her organisation (Christmas Fayre) would be mentioned.
- Chairman’s Remarks:** The Chairman wanted to reminded Cllrs that he would be retiring as Chairman in April, and also highlight the EALC report on Jubilee proceedings and Grants.
- 159/21 **Questions and statements from the public** – None present
- 160/21 **Minutes of the Full Council.** The minutes for 11 January 2022 were **unanimously approved for signature** by the Chairman.
- 161/21 **Receipt of Minutes from Committees:**
 (a) It was unanimously agreed to **RECEIVE and NOTE** Minutes 042/21 to 052/21 of the Amenities Committee Mtg. of 16th November 2021.
 (b) It was unanimously agreed to **RECEIVE and NOTE** Minutes 075/21 to 087/21 of the Highways Committee Mtg. of 23rd November 2021
- 162/21 (a) **ECC Cllr Report:** Cllr Jowers was unable to attend this evening’s meeting.
- (b) **CBC Cllr Report:** there was no CBC report for this meeting.

- 163/21 **Payment Lists:** The payment lists for January 7th and January 18th (*previously approved by email*) were reviewed and it was **RESOLVED unanimously to approve the payments.**
- 164/21 **Village Green:** Cllr Greenwood had investigated the capability of declaring a portion of land in the North West of the Parish as "Village Green", and presented findings to the Council. After a lengthy debate regarding who the right body would be for instigating the application & ramifications of submitting an application (including legal), It was proposed and then seconded, and by a majority it was **RESOLVED that that Cllr Greenwood investigate an alternate body (such as The Ramblers) submitting the application.**
- 165/21 **Banner Display:** Councillors reviewed an application to display a Banner at Grove Lake advertising an upcoming event. It was **Resolved by a unanimous show of hands that the banner be allowed.**
- 166/21 **Neighbourhood Plan:** Cllr Greenwood had provided all Councillors with a Draft version of the Latest Neighbourhood Plan. It was explained that the errors found in the previous plan had been resolved, and that the housing allocation has reduced from 600 to 400 homes due to the successful appeal at Barbrook Lane. The plan was still undergoing proof checks, so minor typos would be fixed, and some minor mapping changes made for clarity purposes. One area that would be amended was the site for the health centre, which is currently ambiguous. This would be clarified as a site within the Elm Farm area. Council were then urged to adopt the Plan, subject to the amendments as stated. Council **RESOLVED unanimously to accept the Plan.**
- 167/21 **Blue Plaque Installation:** Cllr Wood reported that the Blue Plaque for Joy Laurey's former residence is now in hand, and would be affixed to the property in order to officially recognise the Puppet Studio. The Grand unveiling would be on Saturday April 30th 2022 (Ms Laurey's birthday, had she been alive). Cllr Wood further stated that the Community Centre Hall had then been booked for afternoon event of a Puppet Festival, between 1 and 5 pm. Council were enthused with the project, and voted to **RESOLVE unanimously that the charges incurred by Cllr Wood for personally booking the hall be reimbursed, and that press be invited to the event.**
- 168/21 **Grant Request ECC Youth Services:** The clerk reported on the reason for the request : ECC Youth Services were making use of our Hall to provide a service for the village youth. The Council have a policy of no Free hirings. Council **RESOLVED unanimously to accept the grant request, enabling the hall charges to be recovered by ECC.**
- 169/21 **Jubilee Events Group Update:** Council were informed by Cllr Woodcraft that plans for an event in celebration of the Jubilee were progressing well. A good variety of events had been sourced for the day. The clerk reported that the Council's Insurance had stated that the event could proceed without additional premium, subject to "no Bouncy Castles" and Risk Assessments in place, with all acts having their own Personal Liability Insurance. Cllr Woodcraft stated that there was no charge for food stalls, vendors were being asked to make a contribution. The contribution would then be split 50/50 between the Christmas Fayre and a Charity of Council's choice. This found favour with the Council, **and it was unanimously RESOLVED to receive and note the report.**
- 170/21 **Silt Removal at Grove Lake:** Council were informed of the Environment Agency response regarding Silt removal from Grove Lake. The complications and regulations in delivering this project were not insurmountable, but, taking into

consideration the greater issue of the repairs needed to the Lake Walls, the silt removal is considered secondary to the overall task. With the concern of the council around the need to provide a long-term fix to an ever-increasing problem of dis-repair of the walls. **Council RESOLVED that the clerk source an engineer's report to obtain 3 quotes for the long-term repair of the Lake, which includes the repair of the walls and Silt Removal.**

- 171/21 **Defibrillator coverage:** Cllr Mannion reported that there was only one 24/7 defibrillator (AED) available to the public in Tiptree. He wished to examine the capability of adding additional AED's at sites such as the Parish offices, the Scout Hut and Grove Road Workshop. Council were approving of the plan, but were interested in more detail and funding strategy. Council **RESOLVED unanimously to receive the report.**
- 172/21 **Bank Reconciliations:** Cllr. Wood reported that she had just received the Bank reconciliations for January, and would be working through them during the week. **The report was received and noted.**
- 173/21 **Financial Overview: The spend against budget to-date was discussed, received and noted,** with compliments to the Clerk for the smooth running of the Council finances over the past 2.5 years.

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 20.46 pm.

Signed.....



Date.....

01/03/2022