# Meeting Minutes of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th April 2016 at Great Wood Hall at 7.15pm

**Attendees:** Councillors – Cllr K Flunder (Chair), Cllr A Hulme (Vice Chair), Cllr C Pearce, Cllr B Stubbs, Cllr D Ball, Cllr S Akerman, & Cllr D Trigger – S Morgan-Rimes (Clerk).

1. **Chairman’s Welcome:**
2. **Apologies Received From:** Cllr McCormack, Cllr P Wilkinson, Cllr A Wilkinson & Cllr T Wilkinson.
3. **Declaration of Interest:** In addition to the usual Cllr Flunder would like to declare an interest as Forsbrook district councillor. Cllrs Flunder & Akerman would like to declare an interest in the Sports Club, Cllr Pearce land off Hollington Road (Local Plan) and Cllrs Ball, Pearce & Stubbs in Great Wood Hall. Cllr Pearce declares an interest in Planning on Tenford Lane due to knowing the landowner.
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the monthly meeting of the council held on 15th March 2016 have been circulated. They have been confirmed as an accurate and true record and signed by the chairman. Cllr Pearce would like to mention something that was omitted from the minutes and that is a thank you to the clerk for her hard work assisting with the organisation of Commonwealth Day.

Proposed: Cllr A Hulme - Second: Cllr C Pearce

1. **Public Participation:**

***Mr Harrison & Mr Christopher – Willow Close – Development off Cheadle Road***

Mr Christopher came along to discuss the above development and sending letter of complaint to the Ombudsman. Mr Harrison came along to show pictures of the recent flooding on the planned area.

***Mr & Mrs Atkin – St David’s Cottage, Fole – Flooding at Fole***

Due to recent flooding would like to know whats being done with regards to clearing out drains and culverts.

***Mr & Mr Ede – Manor Farm, Checkley – Traveller Site***

Has received physical threats and threats to property from local residents regarding his land and the sale of it to travellers. Would like to put the record straight that they have no intention of selling this land to anyone.

Cllr Pearce advised that the Checkley residents had been advised by a councillor that this land had been sold.

***Mr Davies & Mr Smith – Churches Together – Queens Birthday Celebrations***

Advised that they have now decided to not have a party in the park and will leave it until next year. Would like to mark the Queens 90th by planting a tree somewhere in the village, and then having a cup of tea and cake after. Invite children to sing. Potential date 9th June.

***Mr & Mrs Smith – Tenford Lane – Planning Application SMD/2016/0200***

Would like the Parish Councils support in opposing the application.

Cllr Trigger advised that this area is not a preferred site in the Local Plan. Spoke to Ms Simpkin and she thinks it will go in front of a committee in June. At this meeting two councillors are allowed to speak plus 3 other speakers. Cllrs Ball and Trigger have volunteered to speak. Due to this site coming under Cheadle ward Cllr Ball will keep an ear out.

***Carley Mellor – RBL – Church Parade and other dates***

5th June, 2pm will be the church parade through Tean with full standards and marching band.

27th May, 2pm at Great Wood Primary councillors are invited to attend 90th Birthday celebration for a RBL member.

25th June at Great Wood Primary Queens 90th Party along with the schools Summer Fayre.

New Union Jack for High Street has been ordered.

Last years poppy party they had a collection for Tean Rainbows and raised funds so the Rainbows could have their own standard so they can participate in precessions.

1. Chairs Announcements:

AGM

Cllr Flunder advised that this years AGM will be on 10th May 2016. Clerk has notified the papers and agenda is available and will be in the public domain asap.

1. **Matters Arising:**

**Flooding**

**Lower Tean - Meeting was held with Lengthsman and David Hughes from SCC. Cllr Flunder outlined details of the meeting. SCC are going to make the necessary improvements to the culvert. Cllr Hulme refers to an issue with a soak away further down the field near Heath House which isn’t properly gridded. Clerk to ask David Hughes if there is an engineering report outlining what improvements need to be made.**

**Flooding – Fole - Cllr Flunder outlines the issues Fole faces. Culvert previously maintained by dairy is no longer being looked at. David Hughes passed on a map to Cllr Flunder who will ensure a copy to the clerk.**

**Flooding – Upper Tean - Cllr Ball advises this is the worse he has seen it in 25 years. The water level was so high under the bridge that a small amount of debris would have cause a catastrophic blockage. The more houses built is only going to impede the issue.**

**Tean Rec Play Equipment Update - Cllr Akerman advises that the flooring needs sorting and a quote will take 3 weeks and be approx. £1k. Other equipment needs repairing and looking at on back of ROSPA report, Cllrs Stubbs and Akerman to look at and obtain a quote from Creativeplay.**

**Meeting stopped at 20.34 due to fire concerns in the building.**

**Meeting resumed at 20.39**

**S106/Wentlows Improvement Update – Cllr Pearce advised that we have enough completed forms and refers to concerns by Mr Dodd. Cllr Pearce reads an email he sent Mr Dodd inviting him to the meeting. Next meeting with SMDC Operational Services is scheduled 28th April, 10am. Cllr Trigger requests this is pushed back 30mins so councillors can have a pre-meeting and make some decisions based on the Consultation Report.**

**Cemetery Tree – Cllr Flunder updates on his meeting with Steve Massey from SMDC, who advised this is a conservation area. Clerk to advise Mrs Bradbury to instruct BT to continue.**

**Conservation details to be discuss at the next Lengthsman meeting.**

**Wentlows Boundary Issue – With Cllrs Stubbs and McCormack, waiting for weather to improve.**

**Dog Foul Posters – Cllr Akerman obtained 3 quotes and UR Media were the best.**

1. **Correspondence:**

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| **Date** | **From** | **Subject/Ref** | **Brief** | **Outcome** |
| **For Consideration** | |  |  |  |
| 05/04/16 | SCC | NHT Hours | Few Hours Available | Agenda Item |
| **For Information** | |  |  |  |
| 18/04/16 | Mark Deaville – SCC | MD/RW13 | SCC resources limitation | Cllr emailed 18/4 |
| 14/04/16 | Sir William Cash MP | Planning Complaint | Decision from ombudmans | CPC is not a member of the public |
| 14/04/16 | Chris Rose – SCC | Traffic Diversion | Greatgate Road, Winnothdale | Cllrs emailed 15/4 Notification posts scheduled on FB |
| 30/03/16 | Insignia Ltd | HM Queen’s 90th B’day | 90th B’day commemorative gifts | Cllrs emailed 13/4 |
| 29/03/16 | SMDC – Waste Scene | Final Payment for Recycling | £92.01 |  |

1. **Planning Applications:**

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| **Applications** |  |  |  |
| **For Consideration** |  |  | **Outcome** |
| SMD/2016/0200 | Land Off Tenford Lane | Outline planning application for residential development of up to 49 houses with all matters reserved except for access. | Strong objection letter to be sent (2016/017) Cllr Flunder to assist  Proposed – Cllr Pearce  2nd Cllr Stubbs |
| SMD/2016/0161 | 1 Mill Lane, Lower Tean | Proposed demolition of outbuilding, single storey rear extension and erection of a trellis fence above an existing wall on the boundary of the property. | No issues |

1. **Financial Matters:**

**Internal Audit – Quote obtained for £95 – all councillors happy to proceed.**

**GWH Payments – SCC have agreed to allow us to pay the £17k per annum in 2 instalments to coincide with precept payments.**

**Authorisation of the below was carried out by Cllr Akerman in the absence of appointed internal auditor Cllr A Wilkinson.**

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| **Payee** | **Goods/Services** | **VAT** | **Total Amount** | **Cheque no** |
| SPCA | Annual Subs | - | £552.00 | 3140 |
| MoledOver | Mole Catching (Cemetery) | - | £50.00 | 3141 |
| TalkTalk | GWH Broadband & Phone (Feb 2016) | £5.46 | £32.76 | Direct Debit |
| Great Wood Hall | March Meeting Room Hire | - | £20.00 | 3142 |
| New Haden Metals Ltd | Cemetery Skip Hire (15/16) and Exchange (Nov15) | £40.00 | £240.00 | 3143 |
| New Haden Metals Ltd | Skip Exchange (Mar 2016) | £20.00 | £120.00 | 3143 |
| N & S Hurst | Hedgecutting – Wentlows & Cemetery | £17.60 | £105.60 | 3144 |
| EON | Supply to the High St meter (standing charge of 27p per day) | £1.24 | £26.11 | 3145 |
| Sunny House Farm | Removal, repair and reinstate of Well Meadow’s sign | - | £836.00 | 3146 |
| Sunny House Farm | Provision of Parish Floral Displays (as per quote) | - | £3000.00 | 3146 |
| Malcolm Price | Litterpicker | - | £252.90 | 3147 |
| Steve Clarke | Lengthstman | - | £978.00 | 3148 |
| Siân Morgan-Rimes | Parish Clerk Fee’s | - | £798.00 | 3149 |
| Siân Morgan-Rimes | Parish Clerk Expenses | - | £127.88 | 3149 |
| **Monies Rec’d** |  |  |  |  |
| SMDC | Grant Hollington Speedwatch Program | - | £500.00 |  |
| Various | Cemetery Payments | - | £400.00 |  |

Proposed: Cllr Pearce - Second: Cllr Hulme – All in favour

1. **District Councillor’s Announcements:**

**Cllr Trigger advised that the Council Assembly has draft local plan allocations but these are subject to three further public consultations. Travellers site at Checkley has been taken off the agenda. Blythe Bridge is the one going forward.**

**Cllr Pearce would like to propose a letter to be sent to Sybil Ralphs to say thank you for her support. Would also like to mention his disappointment to find out at the Checkley residents meeting that they had been informed by a councillor that the “deal had been done and will happen”. Cllr Pearce feels there is an enemy in the camp. Cllr Trigger would like to state it wasn’t him.**

**Cllr Flunder advises that all 10 sites are situated at this end of the district and if anyone knows who the landowners are it’s worth contacting them for a similar letter as to Mr Ede’s. Cllr Wilkinson has done land registry search before, clerk to ask Cllr Wilkinson to carry out search for Draycott Road site.**

**Cllr Pearce would like thanks to Cllr Alan Banks to be minuted as he got Dia Larner to say Checkley was out.**

1. **County Councillor’s Announcements:**

**NHT coming to parish for couple of days, Cllrs asked to advise where their services are required.**

**Cllr Flunder advised that only himself and Cllr Deaville turned up to the Highways Working Group meeting. Cllr Trigger advised that he was unable to attend due to the fact this was going to be a meeting walking around the village. Cllr Flunder gives an overview and agrees the minutes from the Parish/Highways (not working group) meeting held with Cllr Deaville and Rob Steele of SCC.**

1. **Recommendation from Great Wood Working Group & Committee:**

Working Group – Meeting cancelled. Cllr Ball feels that the car park works will not go ahead due to funding, and feels we should just concentrate on putting right the front car park. Clerk has tried to obtain details of Lefarge grant without success. Cllr Trigger to contact Nick Atkins. Proposal to obtain 3 quotes for car park with specifications. Cllr Trigger to sort specification.

Proposed: Cllr Hulme - Second: Cllr Akerman – All in favour

Committee – Cllr Ball advised the quote for necessary electrical works is approx. £1500.

Proposed: Cllr Ball - Second: Cllr Akerman – All in favour

Cllr Ball would also like it noting that ACE Ltd are the official electricians for the hall.

1. **Recommendations from Checkley & Tean Sports Club Working Group:**

Meeting scheduled for May 5th 2016 at GWH.

1. **Residents Group / Neighbourhood Development Plan Recommendations from Steering Group:**

**Cllr Flunder gives an brief outline of the presentation by John Blount and workshop at SMDC attended by 15 Checkley Parish residents.**

**Cllr Flunder would like to thank all those from the Parish that attended.**

1. **Local Plan:**

**Cllr Trigger gives a summary of the scoring system.**

**Cllr Flunder gives an overview and agrees the minutes from the Emergency meeting held regarding the travellers site in Checkley. Cllr Trigger believes that Cllr Flunder shouldn’t have chaired that meeting due to his conflict of interest with Forsbrook Council.**

1. **Lengthsman’s Brief:**

**Cllr Akerman advises there is nothing to report.**

1. **Queens 90th Birthday Celebration:**

**Will support RBL and Churches Together but will not arrange anything by the Council.**

1. **Hollington:**

**Picnic Area – WIP details for next meeting.**

**Horse Riding Signs – Request placed with Cllr Deaville, he advised he will look into.**

**Defib Training – Still looking into, bring to next meeting.**

**Speedwatch – Cllr Hulme advised first session to happen this week.**

1. **Old Cemetery:**

**Covered previously under cemetery tree.**

1. **High Street Tactile Paving:**

**No response from Western Power.**

1. **Tree Trimming at Tean Rec & Well Meadow Gardens:**

**No major works due to conservation area, trim gently. SMDC representative recommended someone. Cllr Flunder to contact for details. Need to find out who owner of willow tree is and send a letter.**

1. **Checkley Play Area:**

**Cllr Hulme advised that some has requested a climbing frame. Council to look at this at some point.**

1. **Matters Pertaining to Issues in the Parish or for the Next Meeting (17th May 2016):**
2. **Confidential Items:**

**No confidential items**

No other business – meeting was closed 10.04

I hereby state this is a correct account of the monthly meeting held by Checkley Parish Council.

Signed: (Chairman) 

Date: