

TWYFORD PARISH COUNCIL

**Full Parish Council Minutes
Thursday 3rd December 2015 8 pm**

Attending	In attendance	Apologies
Cllr Lawton	Clerk – Elizabeth Billingham	Cllr Woodward
Cllr Watson		Cllr Humby
Cllr Wheeler		Cllr Cornwall
Cllr Corcoran	Cllr Mason	Cllr Izard
Cllr Mitchell		
Cllr Cook		
Cllr Forder Stent		
Cllr Sellers		

Item	
83/15	Apologies for absence and declarations of interest
	Cllr Woodward, Cllr Cornwall, Cllr Humby and Cllr Izard had sent their apologies.
84/15	To adjourn for public participation
	None.
84.1/15	To receive questions from the members of the public.
84.2/15	To receive the County Councillor's report. Matters arising: Item 71.2/15 - Parking for residents in Park Lane should be addressed with a possible double yellow line and being offered parking elsewhere and this would relieve traffic on Park Lane. ACTION – Cllr Humby to address. Roman Road – signs have been hit and moved. ACTION Cllr Humby to look into the responsibility of road parking on the corner and also hedges that could be cut back. Drain heights on the Bye Way ACTION Cllr Humby to discuss with the owners of the overgrown hedges. Legal access to Love Lane is Park Lane and it was unclear that emergency services can always use this access. ACTION Cllr Humby to discuss requirements.
	Cllr Humby was not present and had sent his apologies.
84.3/15	To receive the District Councillor's report. Matters arising: Item 71.1/15 – Segars Lane ditch – ACTION Cllr Cook Item 71.3 - New lights and traffic – now working awaiting Keep Clear sign into Northfields. ACTION: Cllr Cook Item 71.3/15 - 2 hour parking outside the shop and ways for additional parking bays. It was suggested two spaces in Dolphin Hill and one on the Hazeley Road. Council will support on place on Hazeley Road. ACTION: Cllr Cook - Ongoing Item 71.4/15 - Empty house in Hewlett close – Assure tenure connections. There was some discussion that it was felt the tenure was not followed. ACTION Cllr Cook to ring Hyde and discuss.
	Cllr Mason noted that Road sweeping had taken place in Twyford. Cllr Mason had attended the latest Blue Lamp trust meeting. He noted that complaints against Police crime commissioner had been discussed and he was cleared of charges. PACT – meetings hope that more attend them in Twyford. Will forward details once date known.
84.4/15	To hear report from Andy McNeil – Outdoor Gym proposal and George Bradshaw – Skate Park

	<p>Introduced himself to the meeting and gave background to how he became involved. Gave details of his proposal. Pull up, parallel bars, 5 benches - lie on benches, and sit up bench. Quote of £4080 plus VAT. Being done for the village but the Council felt that the classes could be offered to introduce people to how best to use the equipment. Further pieces can be added to in the future. It was noted that although matting could be used it was not necessary at this time. It was noted that grass matting or other matting would be more costly. There was much discussion about the background and how it was promoted to the village on TIS and Facebook so that the council felt confident that the village would use it. It was suggested that teenagers might like scramble nets etc. as a possibility. It was noted these might be a possibility in the future but that health and safety/risk assessments were essential as well as finance. It was felt that the wooden equipment was in keeping with the park. Five or six quotations received – ACTION Andy McNeill would forward. Skate park – Proposed on the Netball park sharing space with netball net at one end. Cllr Wheeler explained the background. It was suggested that renovating the basket ball park and changing to a netball court might be used by teams within the village. Possibility of keeping as a netball park and sloping old tarmac to the back. Member of the public noted that communities are promoting netball for adults as well as children The Primary school was open to the suggestion of using their facilities by groups/ clubs. It was suggested that a survey take place for 7 – 15 year olds –only FB and TIS. There was some question of how much use the netball courts would get from teams or individuals. Current court is under shade of the trees and it is hard to maintain the surface. There was concern if it was a shared space that there would be need for a barrier. Cllr Cook – Suggested speaking to Tony Hill about advice on how this work might be safely undertaken. Currently the area is used for scooters and skateboards. There was a question about why play/sport development being centred on Hunters Park and it was noted that Northfields had had more recent equipment. It was suggested that the council do the resurfacing and see what usage occurred – this would be discussed by the Council in the main body of the meeting under section 89.1/15</p>
85/15	Councillors questions
	<p>Cllr Cook – The main road was not closing for road works as previously thought and this work of relining and adding new cats eyes had been moved to January. Lines in Shawford – Yellow lines have not been continued and it creates blind spots. ACTION Cllr Cook - Contacting Highways about problem. Hewlett’s Close – House is still empty. Park Lane and Roman Road - parking on the corner. Cllr Cook had spoken to Police and the driver. A resident was having bollards put in on her boundary. Discussed the issues of lorries etc. on the road.</p>
86/15	To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 15th October 2015
	RESOLVED to agree
87/15	Matters arising from these minutes (not on the agenda)
	<p>Item 70/15 – Housing Needs survey - The Parish Council confirmed that they endorsed the survey. – Chair had written. Item 73/15 - Item 57/15 - S106 funds remaining from Humphrey’s development and CIL funds from SDNP – ACTION Cllr Cook and Clerk would continue to seek how all the S106 monies were spent.</p>
88/15	Finance Committee and Finance Matters
88.1/15	To agree payments for November/December 2015

	<p>RESOLVED to go ahead with the gym equipment as proposed.</p> <p>Skate park/netball park development – It was agreed that this needed more research. Basketball nets – needs repair of the back board, there was a suggestion of separate removable netball hoops on a stand.</p> <p>ACTION: Clerk to get other quotes on the repair of the tarmac The Clerk would enquire with Open Spaces if funds can be released to do the repairs as Stage one of a Multi-use area. It was suggested that the spoil be left on site to make mounds for skate boards.</p> <p>ACTION: Cllr Cook to work with Tony Hill to see multi use ideas.</p> <p>It was suggested that if the council resurface the area, village groups might fundraise to do markings and buy nets. Discussed the cutting back of the trees and overhanging and maintenance of the courts. Cllr Cook to make enquiries about work on the trees.</p> <p>Allotments – It was noted that there had been an annual review of the allotments. New fee structure had been discussed and allotment holders were measuring the allotments so that there was a better understanding of what was there.</p>
90/15	To receive minutes from the Planning committee
91/15	Council Matters
91.1/15	Parish Council vacancies
	On going
91.2/15	To discuss holding a regular Parish Council surgery
	<p>It was suggested that the Clerk and Councillors hold “surgery” sessions for the public. This would make the Clerk and Councillors more visible in the community and be a more relaxed way for residents to discuss any issues. It was agreed that the Clerk would start in the New Year. There would need to be publicity on TIS and Facebook as well as website.</p> <p>ACTION Clerk to update contact details on the noticeboards and refer to the website. Posters advertising the session.</p> <p>Suggested in Bean Below.</p>
91.3/15	Update on the Parish Hall Tree
	<p>Cllr Watson – TPO comments closed. The Council would like to know the totality of the comments and feel as a Council they should be able to have sight of these comments. ACTION Clerk to request.</p> <p>The Tree Officer is obtaining another survey. Trustees wanted to be sure what the survey stated regarding the safety of the tree.</p> <p>Woodland Trust – have been asked and will look at the tree photographs free of charge.</p> <p>ACTION Clerk to write to WCC, Mr Ventriss, and request the details of the timetable and to urge a speedy resolution.</p> <p>The TPO was a 6 month temporary TPO and it is hoped that it would go to Planning committee as Trustees have objected. The Council wish to know that if it is going to Planning Committee when will this happen?</p>
92/15	Twyford Open Spaces
	<p>Lengthsman – Came in November and worked for 6 hours in Berry Meadow. Removed debris around the bench.</p>
93/15	Highways and Footpaths
93.1/15	To discuss the traffic issues effecting Twyford
	<p>Bollards – On Hazeley Road – one was now missing and others damaged. Street light – Finches Lane and Churchfields is not working. ACTION Clerk to report Looking forward at possible traffic issues and solutions. Neighbourhood Plan has reviewed parking and traffic as a concern. Will be addressed by a working party.</p>
94/15	Neighbourhood Plan update
94.1/15	Update on the working party - Cllr Corcoran

