



TONGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY SIXTH MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD REMOTELY on MONDAY 18th MAY 2020 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT

Cllr. L. Oakley
Cllr. S. Blewitt
Cllr. J Evans
Cllr. S Habgood
Cllr A Carey

Cllr Matt Furniss
Cllr G Eyre
Cllr P Spooner

Parish Clerk – Mrs M Murray.

Minutes

- 1) To receive apologies for absence – Retrospective apology received from Cllr Gray.
- 2) Declarations of acceptance of office – All agreed; to sign at first opportunity.
- 3) Election of Chairman of the Council – Councillor Oakley expressed his willingness to continue as Chairman; unanimously appointed: proposed Cllr Carey, seconded Cllr Habgood. The declaration of office will be signed and witnessed at first opportunity.
- 5) Registration of any change to financial and other registerable interests – No changes.
- 6) Cllr Melvin Baldock was elected as Vice Chair: proposed Cllr Blewitt, seconded Cllr Evans.
- 7) Election of Councillors to serve upon committees: Cllrs will serve as follows:

Planning: Cllr Blewitt (CHAIR), Cllr Evans, Cllr Baldock, Cllr Oakley. P: LO S: AC
LGPS: Cllr Carey (CHAIR), Cllr Evans, Cllr Baldock, Cllr Gray, Cllr Habgood. P: LO S:
AC
Finance: Cllr Gray (CHAIR), Cllr Baldock, Cllr Habgood, Cllr Carey. P: LO, S: AC

8) Chairman's Report 2020:

Tongham Parish Council
Chairmans Report, May 2019

I write this year's report having just accepted another year as Chairman of Tongham Parish Council (TBC at AGM later Today) I will continue in my role all the time it is the wish of my fellow councillors that I do so.

Regards my fellow councillors including our latest recruit, Councillor Susie Habgood I would like to thank them all for doing their bit for the village, of which has been quite a busy year for village projects notably the new play area in the recreation ground and the outdoor gymnasium at the same venue.

Huge thanks must go to our Clerk Margaret Murray, she does make my job a fairly straight forward one with her attention to her duties and her constant reminders regards mine. Margaret also keeps all councillors informed and communication is key to any organisation in my opinion.

Moving on to County and Borough, our good friends and supporters Cllr's Matt Furnace (SCC) and Paul Spooner (GBC) continue to attend regular monthly meetings showing their support of us and the village, and I would personally like to thank them both, along with new borough councillor Graham Erye for attending TPC meetings where possible, I can't sign off County and Borough matters without expressing my disappointment at the lack of communication between us and Paul Abbey (GBC) it was hoped and suggested that perhaps a healthy relationship between councillor Abbey and TPC could be developed, however sadly this has not been the case, and im sure there may be a few individuals out there that may be thinking "Told you so" anyway that's all in the past and can't be changed.

Finally I would like to thank everyone that regularly attends TPC monthly meeting's as it does make it feel a bit more worthwhile that we have the attention of parishioners', also big thanks to our friend Mike Heath who is an absolute "Tongham Warrior" when it comes to village life, he works tirelessly throughout the year on various projects and is always happy to help when called upon.

Not going to mention over development of my beloved village as I have been around the block and back again on that one and it changes nothing so im currently teaching myself to be more tolerant and accepting of change.

Hoping to see everyone again at TPC meetings when we finally come out of the current situation we all find ourselves in, I wish you all well, stay safe.

Best Regards



Les Oakley

Chairman: Tongham Parish Council

9) Parochial Charities – **Tongham Moors Recreation Ground Parochial Charitable Trust 2020**

Since the last Annual Parish Council meeting, the Tongham Moors Recreation Ground Trust has met once.

Fences have been kept in order and the grass has been cut throughout the year. Dog waste bins have been emptied by Guildford Borough Council and inspection of play equipment is carried out on a regular basis by the trust. Appropriate insurance measures have been kept in place and further works and improvements to the grounds and play area will, hopefully take place in the near future.

The Trust is always looking at new ideas for further measures to improve the area and welcomes suggestions from all quarters.

Bristol and West Building Society Deposit Account
As at 31st March 2019

		<u>952.45</u>
Plus Receipts		
Bowling Club ½ Year rent	02/07/2019	900.00
Bowling Club ½ Year rent	02/01/2020	900.00
Less Payments		
<u>Balance</u>	<u>31st March 2020</u>	<u>2752.45</u>

Co-op Bank Account
Balance B/F 31 March 2019 2744.53

Plus Receipts

Less Payments

Litter Clearance	195.00	
<u>Balance</u>	<u>31st March 2020</u>	<u>2549.53</u>

10) Financial reports approval year end 31/03/2020: the accounts were agreed by the Council, proposed Cllr Habgood, seconded Cllr Evans.

11) Execution of documents: To consider passing the following resolution:

"That the Council do seal in the manner prescribed by law, or the clerk or member as appropriate do sign on behalf of the Council, any Order, Deeds or Documents required to give effect to any of the matters and recommendations contained in the reports as presented to and approved by the council on 18th May 2020".

Proposed Cllr Habgood, seconded Cllr Evans.

Minutes agreed at meeting on 15th June 2020.

Signed:

Les Oakley
Chairman