TONGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING: Monday 15/11//2021, held at the Old School Hall, Poyle Road, Tongham at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr L Oakley (Chair)	Cllr P Spooner	Cllr M Furniss (SCC)
Cllr G Eyre	Cllr P Buckley	Cllr S Gray
Cllr S Habgood	Cllr S Blewitt	Mr C Pritchard
Mr T Boxall	Mr M Moore	Mrs J Pritchard
Mr M Heath	Mr M Miller	Mr L Stovold
Mrs J Evans	Mr D Evans	

Clerk: Mrs Margaret Murray

1. Chairman's announcements and apologies for absence: Cllr A Carey. The Chairman announced that the Parish Council would host a buffet after the December meeting and invited all regular attendees and helpers to come along.
2. The minutes from the meeting on 18/10/2021 were approved. Proposed Cllr Habgood, Seconded: Cllr Gray. Signed by Cllr Oakley.
3. Code of conduct: disclosure of interest: None.
4. Matters arising: none which would not be dealt with in the course of the meeting.
5. County and Borough matters:
   Borough: Cllr Spooner advised there was not much happening in GBC that affected Tongham, the new GBC coalition have produced a new corporate plan which is online. The Local Plan part 11, new houses, plan of procedure has been cancelled and is under review. As a result the Deputy leader of GBC has moved from Lib Dems to Conservative. Mr Heath asked about the merger of Guildford and Waverley Borough Councils. There is a new joint leader , senior management will be merged; the former CEO of GBC, James Whiteman, will leave from 1/12/2021. Then the work will start, looking at all services. No service contracts are up for renewal at the moment. Cllr Eyre had nothing to say that affected Tongham.
   COUNTY: Cllr Furniss thanked Tongham for the Remembrance Service yesterday. He advised that there was an extension to works on the A331, he would put a note on FB, but expects the works to be complete by mid-December (weather etc permitting). Regarding HGV's through the village, he is happy to continue receiving photographs and is actioning these by writing to Companies concerned. Chambers has apologised. Surrey CC has launched a waste and mineral review, there is a consultation on the website. This will be a long process – maybe 2 years. He also advised that a team has been out to look at the chicane at the Tongham Bowling Club.

6. Adjournment: Mr Heath advised the meeting that permission had not yet been granted for a footpath from The Street to Ellison Way. He will work with Cllr Oakley to pump out the trampoline and help monitor. He advised the meeting that the Phone Box was complete and the Clerk confirmed she is working on the defibrillator. She also confirmed that 50% of the payment for the air conditioning had been sent.
   A new inner gate was necessary at the Rec ground; likely cost around £900.00; Clerk confirmed we have funds for this. Cllr Matt Furniss has provided some trees for the rec. Clerk asked about trees being given out; Cllrs suggested Grange Road, where hedgerow had been ripped out. Cllr Spooner advised that Bellway are intending to replant. Cllr Furniss will look into this for us.
   Mr Pritchard asked about HGV's; he will continue passing photos to Cllr Furniss, who advised he was hoping to have more cameras in place to catch infringments.
7. Reports from sub-committees:
   a. Planning: Chair Cllr Blewitt: No plans to discuss, however Cllr Habgood is concerned that the development at Kingston House in Poyle Road is proving very damaging to the existing pavement – no road has been built yet. Clerk to contact GBC enforcement office.
   b. Lighting and General Purposes: Chair Cllr Carey.
      1. Fireworks: Feedback. The event was a great success, many thanks to Flashpoint Fireworks and to all concerned, the Scouts raised £4395.53 which is a record. It was decided that as a one-off the Parish Council would accept £1395.53 towards the cost of the fireworks, and the Scouts can keep £3000.00 towards their new building. The Police visited late in the evening and expressed concerns about the business of the roads and approval of the management of the event.
   c. Finance, Policy and Administration: Chair: Cllr Gray.
      i. Financial statements for October 2021 agreed by all. The Clerk has now moved to electronic bank statements.
      ii. Changes to Register of Interest: no changes reported.
      iii. The draft budget for next year (2022/23) was presented and comments are invited before the final budget agreement on 20/12/2021.
      iv. Any other business: st Paul's Church are proposing to have the Live Animal Nativity here again; this will be at St Paul's School in the morning of 9th December, and in front of the church, in two sessions, at 1 pm and 2 pm, in the afternoon of that same day. Award of £500 agreed unanimously.

8. Execution of documents: To consider, if necessary, 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 15/11/2021". Proposed: Cllr Buckley, Seconded: Cllr. Blewitt.

Signed: ……..
L P Oakley, Chair of meeting, Date: 20/12/2021