TONGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING: Monday 18/07/2022, held at the Old School Hall, Poyle Road, Tongham at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:

Cllr L Oakley (Chair)	Cllr M Furniss	J Evans
Cllr S Blewitt	M Murray	C Pritchard
Cllr S Habgood	T Boxall	
Cllr P Buckley	D Evans	

Clerk: Mrs Jill Smith

1. Chairman's announcements and apologies for absence: Cllr Grey, Cllr Baldock. Cllr Carey, Cllr Eyre, Cllr Spooner
2. The minutes from the meeting on 20/06/2022 were approved. Proposed Cllr Habgood, Seconded: Cllr. Buckley. 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:
   County:
   Cllr Furniss reported that there were 2 options for the junction of Poyle Rd and The Street and CGI plans for the rest of the area that the placemaking team have come up with for road/speed improvements in the village. This should go live for public engagement in August/September, there will be an in-person element in September in Tongham (probably in the Community Centre). He advised that there had been a problem with lighting issues at the Poyle Road gateway, they are looking at other options and will organise and online call with the Parish Council when they have options. He also advised that road safety improvements were to be carried out at the 3 school sites – Ash Walsh – removing a bus stop and the crossing area outside the library and putting a better crossing in there, along with further safety improvements near the school (to be done this financial year) St Pauls - the 2 junctions near the school where everyone parks, it will be made safer for people to cross there as its chaotic and drop off/pick up times, and Ash Manor – raised tables (both to be done in the next financial year)
   Borough : No Cllrs attended. Nothing to report.

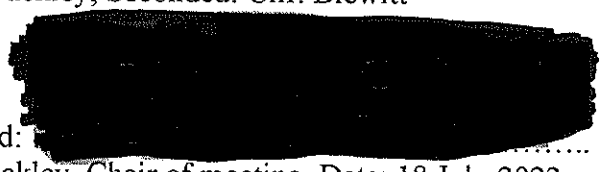
6. Adjournment: Mr Boxall brought up that he had been questioned about using the name 'Tongham Treacle mines' in his radio museum name. The council concluded that the name was not copyrighted as far as then knew and had been used for many years on signs etc around the village, and subsequently that is was fine to carry on using it. Mr Pritchard asked Cllr Furniss about traffic calming in The Street, who advised him that the improvements were part of the place making teams suggestions and to make sure that anything that they wanted to say about it was done via the website when it goes live. It was agreed that once we have the link to it, we would put it on the Parish council website and maybe the Tongham community Facebook page for people to see/comment on. **ACTION : Cllr Gray/Clerk**
Mrs Evans asked Cllr Furniss about the parking issues opposite the bowling green in Oxenden Rd, Cllr Furniss said that this would also be looked at as part of the placemaking teams work, and to make sure that comments were made on the website when it goes live.

7. Reports from sub-committees:
   a. Planning: Chair Cllr Blewitt: None
   b. Lighting and General Purposes: Chair Cllr Carey.
      i. Village sign : Cllr Habgood reported that she should be hearing from Bellway very soon with a design for the village sign. Hopefully by Septembers meeting there would be something concrete to look at/decide on. Mrs Evans asked about a sign at the Poyle Road gateway, Cllr Furniss said it was something the were looking in to with the placemaking team : **Ongoing**

   c. Finance, Policy and Administration: Chair: Cllr Gray.
      i. FNST for month June 2022 agreed by all.
      ii. Changes to Register of Interest: no changes reported.
      iii. Review of Financial regulations and standing orders : Reviewed and Cllr Grey is going to update accordingly.
      iv. Audit : Review of internal audit 21/22 done and Clerk reported that the Audit documents had now be sent to the external auditor : **Ongoing**
      v. CGA 22/23 – Teen shelter – an online consultation is going to be put on the Parish Council website, to look at ideas for the shelter. Cllr Grey/Cllr Habgood are in the process of putting this together. **Ongoing**
      Ramp – **Ongoing**
      vi. Defibrillator – Clerk reported that she needed to do a site check with the help of Community Heartbeat lady helping on the phone, this will be done in the next week to 10 days : **Ongoing**
      vii. Your fund surrey – Cllrs Grey and Habgood are putting more information together to help with this request for funding to build a stage at the community centre : **Ongoing**
      viii. Section 137 – TWIG : the group requested £500 - £250 to help pay their insurance, and £250 towards a new bench for Tongham Woods. This was agreed by all Cllrs. Clerk to pay.
      ix. Any other business/correspondence : None

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 18th July 2022". Proposed: Cllr Buckley, Seconded: Cllr. Blewitt

Signed: 
L P Oakley, Chair of meeting, Date: 18 July 2022