



# TANKERSLEY

## Annual Parish Meeting 2018

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### **Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Tankersley held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

In attendance were: Mrs H Reckless (Parish Council Chair), Mr P Simpkin (Parish Council Vice Chair), Councillor Robert Barnard, Mrs K Blantern (Parish Council Clerk), Residents (x21)

#### **1. Welcome and introductions.**

The Chair of the Parish Council welcomed all to the meeting.

#### **2. Additional agenda items.**

There were no additional items to be added to the agenda.

#### **3. To take as read the minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017, as circulated and if approved, to authorise the Chairman to sign them.**

The minutes of the 2017 meeting were approved.

#### **4. Matters Arising from the Minutes.**

Resident, Mr Shearn, queried if any development had been made with regard to his request, that BMBC considerately manage the lawn area outside the Welfare Hall. The Clerk apologised that this had not been followed up on due to her beginning maternity leave, shortly after the last Annual Parish Meeting and stated she would contact BMBC to request this.

#### **5. To receive a report on the last twelve months activities of Tankersley Parish Council.**

The Parish Council Chair shared a report of the actions carried out by the Parish Council since the last Annual Meeting of the Parish, as well as sharing the success of community events, such as the Bonfire and investments in Broad Ings Woodland

#### **6. Local Elected Members – BMBC.**

Councillor Barnard spoke on behalf of Elected Members, noting the work of the Ward Alliance and updating parishioners on actions carried out by Barnsley Council, over the last year.

#### **7. Report from Highways England.**

The Chair shared a written report from Highways England, noting the completion of works on the M1 and planned investment within the wider locality.

## **8. Section 106 Funding and Expenditure.**

The Chair advised the meeting of the origin of Section 106 funding, and how its use was allocated by BMBC. The Chair went on to note that the Parish Council were actively involved in discussions with relevant officers at BMBC, to ensure some of these funds were reinvested within the community. It was noted that educational funding had been earmarked for secondary education by BMBC, something which the Parish Council and St Peter's School had questioned with Barnsley Council.

The Chair asked that parishioners submit any suggestions for use of funds, to the Parish Council.

## **9. Possible Closure of Lidgett Lane.**

The Chair noted that the Parish Council had been in discussions with Barnsley Council for over 18 months, due to serious safety concerns, regarding Lidgett Lane. Those present were advised that the narrowness of the road, due to lack of maintenance, was the source of these concerns and Parish Councillors had discussed the permanent closure of the road, along with other options for handling this issue. Parishioners were asked for their opinion regarding a possible closure, with arguments given for and against. The Chair advised that this would be a continuing discussion with BMBC and the Parish Council would continue raising this matter, until it was adequately resolved.

## **10. WWI Commemoration Events.**

The Chair shared details of the planned schedule of commemoration events, for the WWI Centenary year. The Chair noted that volunteers would be required for the WWI Commemoration and Bonfire event, and any residents wishing to provide support were asked to contact the Parish Clerk.

## **11. Dog Fouling.**

The Chair advised residents that there continued to be an issue within the Parish, in relation to dog fouling, however the Parish Council were working with BMBC to address this, which would include the issuing of penalty notices to irresponsible owners. The Chair informed the meeting that the Parish Council's social media had been a useful resource in gathering public opinion regarding this issue, with a strong response received whenever the issue was discussed.

## **12. To answer questions and deal with issues raised by the electors of Tankersley Parish.**

A resident queried the use of Broad Ings Woodland and the monitoring of anyone accessing the site. The Chair advised that the site would be developed for use by community groups or individuals, with the footpath being completed over the next year and ensuring increased accessibility. The Chair went on to note that the areas use would be monitored and action would be taken in regard to any anti-social behaviour.

## **13. Any other business.**

None