

TOLLESHUNT KNIGHTS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12.10.2021 in the Village Hall Tolleshunt Knights

PRESENT:

CHAIR – COUNCILLOR D TUNGATT

VICE CHAIR – COUNCILLOR M PORTER

COUNCILLORS MR COOK, MRS DENNIS AND MRS THOMPSON

The Parish Clerk Miss Banyard

Three members of the public.

To receive questions/enquiries from members of the public, to receive an answer at an appropriate time in the agenda.

A member of the public gave details of his application for the barns at Middle Farm Blind Lane (21/00986 below).

3233/01 To receive apologies for absence, other announcements and Declarations of Interest from Members on any of the agenda items set out below.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mr Long.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3234/01 To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary meeting held on 27.9.2021

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the above Minutes.

3235/01 To receive information on matters contained in the above Minutes.

No issues were raised.

3236/01 Planning

a. Decision by Maldon District Council. The following was received:

FUL/MAL/21/00654	Evershot Hall Park Lane Tolleshunt Knights Full planning application for the rebuild of the dwelling house following fire damage, second storey extension to the approved single storey utility projection and the retrospective approval for the outbuildings.	Approved Decision date 1.10.2021 It was noted that condition 7 of the approval requires that the gym buildings shall not at any time be used for commercial activities. As this is not the case the matter will be reported to enforcement.
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b. New applications. The following were considered:

21/00986/FUL	Barns at Middle Farm Blind Lane Tolleshunt Knights	Proposed dwelling to replace approved scheme for conversion of barns to dwelling. It was RESOLVED to support this application as it is felt that the proposed dwelling would be more suitable for the site and provide a compact development.
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21/00772/HOUSE	Oxley House D'Arcy Road Tolleshunt Knights	Single storey rear annex extension and first floor rear extension. It was RESOLVED to make no comment on this application.
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- c. To receive any updates on planning enforcement issues.
There was nothing further to report.
- d. To consider any other planning issues. It was reported that a new entrance to the road has been made without planning permission at the bottom of Park Lane. This will be reported to enforcement.

3237/01 To consider any items of correspondence received or reports from the clerk
Update on insurance claim regarding Village Hall. It was reported that a trial hole is to be made in the floor of the Hall to try and ascertain the reasons for the subsidence. It was also noted that some work has been carried out by the VHMC to trim the ash trees in front of the Hall.

3238/01 To consider any highways issues
Trucam patrols in September made 45 captures of speeding vehicles.

3238/02 Anglian Water scheme to improve the water network in Tiptree – closure of Factory Hill for a period of six weeks. It was **RESOLVED** to ask Councillor Lee Scott (ECC cabinet member for Highways and Sustainable Transport) for a meeting with local Parish Councils to discuss the above scheme and the disruption that will be caused by such a closure.

3238/03 It was reported that there have recently been a number of accidents at the top of Barnhall Hill.

3239/01 To consider any issues concerning public rights of way.
The damaged bridge on the footpath from Park Lane towards Tiptree has been reported and will be repaired.

3239/02 It was noted that there has recently been vandalism at the fishing lakes off Brook Road. The police will be asked to carry out patrols in this area.

3240/01 Report of the Road Safety Officer.
There was nothing further to report.

3241/01 Report of the Press Officer.
Reports of Council meetings continue to appear in the Community News section of the Maldon Standard, and can also be found on the Parish Council's website.

3242/01 Report of the Village Hall Management Committee representative
The Council has received a request from the VHMC that the shared cost of repairs to the Hall driveway (agreed by the old committee) should be paid in instalments, and also asked if the Parish Council would make some contribution to the cost of works to the ash trees in front of the Hall. It was **RESOLVED** to ask the VHMC to make two payments for the driveway repairs. The Parish Council felt unable to assist with the cost of the tree works as it had not budgeted for this and the trees were not on the Council's land.

3242/02 A new alarm system will be installed in the Hall with new keys to deactivate the alarm.

3242/03 The VHMC hopes to hold a Christmas event in the Hall on 22nd December, and the Parish Council has given permission for the field to be used for a Family Day on 3.6.2022

3243/01 To receive the financial statements and to authorise accounts for payment.

- a. The financial statements were approved.
- b. It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the following payments:

V Banyard	Clerk's salary + expenses October	£ 251.84
HMRC	Clerk's tax October	£ 59.71
Maldon District Council	Trucam patrols Feb & Mar 2021	£ 164.16
Maldon District Council	Trucam patrols April – June 2021	£ 252.43
Royal British Legion	Poppy wreath	£ 25.00
Mario's maintenance	Gritting of car park (to replace cheque not cashed)	£ 45.00

The clerk reported that once again Maldon District Council is very behind with issuing invoices for grounds maintenance and Trucam patrols.

3244/01 To consider any issues concerning the playing field, Village Hall car park and CCTV system.

Councillors considered the provision of a defibrillator at the playing field. The clerk will obtain and summarise information from the Community Heartbeat Trust to present at the next meeting.

3245/01 Remembrance Sunday 14.11.2021

A short service will be held in the Memorial Garden at the Village Hall at 10.50 pm. The VHMC will be asked if the Hall kitchen will be available for refreshments after the service.

3246/01 To consider other items of information for inclusion on a future agenda.

No issues were raised.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed at 9.45 pm.

The above Minutes were approved at the Council's meeting held on 15.11.2021.