

TORMARTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the Meeting of Tormarton Parish Council held on Monday 8th July 2024 at 18:30 at Tormarton Parish Hall.

Councillors: Cllr Simon Stevens (Chairman), Cllr Katy Pool, Cllr Sue Giles, Cllr Janet Wells.

In Attendance: Richard Cole (Parish Clerk).

Members of the Public: Two.

8/07/2024 – No 1. To receive any questions from members of the public present.

None were received.

8/07/2024 – No 2. To receive apologies for absence.

Cllr Rebecca Derry-Evans, and SGC Cllr Marilyn Palmer.

8/07/2024- No 3, Declaration of Interest.

The Chairman stated that any member having a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed should declare it during the meeting as specified in the Code of Conduct required by the Localism Act 2011 Section 27 and should leave the room while the matter was discussed.

8/07/2024 – No 4. To approve the minutes of the Meeting of Tormarton Parish Council held on Monday 10th June 2024 and to note any issues.

RESOLVED: It was unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record.

8/07/2024 – No 5. To receive any reports from South Gloucestershire Council Councillors.

There were no SGC councillors in attendance.

8/07/2024-No 6 To consider any planning applications received before and after the agenda had been issued.

An update on Stoney Acre was given. The Conservation Officer report stated no objection to the development. Next step awaited.

8/07/2024 – No 7 To consider comments for pending planning applications.

8/07/2024 – No 8 To consider the outline proposal put forward by Badminton Estate for the redevelopment of Manor Farm in Tormarton.

The protection of the Pound was discussed as this is a heritage asset. Potential problems with drainage and flooding were raised. Cllr Stevens will be writing a letter outlining the effect of these points on the redevelopment.

8/07/2024 No 9 To Review Tormarton Parish Council Finance. To receive the bank reconciliation, bank statements, income, expenditure and monthly accounts reports for June 2024.

The accounts reports were received. All were approved except SGC maintenance invoice. Other payments on the report had been made that day as the bank is now operational. Cllr Stevens will reply to Jack Turner re a GDPR question for the bank.

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8/07/2024 No 10 Adoption of financial regulations update.

It was agreed that Cllrs Stevens and Pool, together with the Clerk, will review the policy before the next meeting and present it at the next meeting for approval.

8/07/2024 No 11 To receive updates from members on ongoing Parish issues.

- a) **Traffic and road issues within the parish inc A46 car park.** Cllr Palmer forwarded the list of West Littleton potholes and road erosion to Leigh James, head of StreetCare. Cllr Pool also forwarded it to Miles Harris. No response as yet. Clerk to chase SGC. Police are no longer visiting the A46 car park as they say they are getting no reports of problems. This was not believed and councillors were urged to report anything seen to the police.
- b) **Planning Issues.** Although not planning, work has started on the roof of the Majors Retreat.
- c) **Neighbourhood plan.** A new consultation phase of the Local Plan is likely to take place from July – September and an additional 1,591 homes need to be identified. As a result of this and the new Labour government looking to change planning regulations, the Neighbourhood Plan is likely to be put on hold until plans are clearer.
- d) **Local Nature Action Plan.** Nothing to report.
- e) **Parish Events for VE80 in 2025.** Action: All to consider.
- f) **Any items considered urgent as directed by the Chairman or Clerk. Cllr Stevens discussed a 'litter picking station' that he would like to fund externally.** However, the Parish Councillors felt that litter was only a major problem on Norley Lane and the A46 junction, dangerous locations for pickers and felt that the station would be unnecessary. The bin displaced from by the Majors Retreat should be relocated opposite the junction to Norley Lane and Marshfield Road. There will be a meeting at Three Shires Medical on 23rd July. Cllr Pool and others will attend. Cllr Pool to ask Cllr Stokes for an update on this.

8/07/2024 No 12 To receive an update from the following committees.

- a) **Village Hall Committee** - There will be a community event on September 3rd organised by the Village Hall Committee. More information to follow.
- b) **Village Pond Committee** – no update
- c) **Playing Field Committee** – no update

8/07/2024 No 13 To set the date of meetings of Tormarton Parish Council

Next Meeting Monday 2nd September 2024 at 6.30pm

Monday 7th October 2024 at 6.30pm

Monday 4th November 2024 t 6.30pm

Monday 9nd December 2024 at 6.30pm

Monday 3rd February 2025 at 6.30pm

Monday 3rd March 2025 at 6.30pm

Monday 7th April 2025at 6.30pm