

# TISSINGTON AND LEA HALL PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2015 at Tissington Village Hall

**Present:** Chairman: Chris Carr, George Maxwell, Stuart Naylor, John Etches, Vice Chairman: Sir Richard Fitzherbert

**Apologies:** None

**Clerk:** Joanne Poitevin.

**2115 Declaration of member's interest:** Sir Richard declares his position as a DDC councillor. Chris Carr as a Peak Park Member

**2116 Minutes of the meeting on:** 22<sup>th</sup> June 2015 were circulated and signed as correct. The minutes are to be sent to the parish magazine.

### 2117 Matters Arising:

- Cattle Grid: The cattle grid by Keepers Cottage has been reported as dangerous. The clerk will report this to the council. The clerk has had no reply to this complaint, and will chase this again. The Cattle Grid had been repaired; however the councillors consider the repair substandard. The clerk will report this to the County Council.
- Manholes on Village Green Road: The worst manhole for movement has been repaired to a very high standard. However the other two have not been repaired. The Clerk will report these again to the County and Severn Trent Water.

### 2118 Finance:

1. The table below defines finances for June & July 2015 presented to the councillors:

Date	Chq No	Item description	In	Out	Balance
1 <sup>st</sup> June 2015		Opening Balance			<b>£6540.14</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> July 2015	389	Osmaston Town Band		100.00	£6440.14
1 <sup>st</sup> June 2015	390	J Poitevin Clerks Wages		242.93	£6197.21
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2015	391	DALC Subscription		62.03	£6135.18
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#### 2. Cheques Presented for Signature:

- a. Cyril Challinor: Play ground maintenance, Chq No: 392: £297.00
  - b. Clerks Invoice June/July Inc Exp, Chq No: 393: £233.63
- All Cheques Approved and signed

#### 3. Accounts Business:

- a. John Etches name needs to be added to the cheque book signature portfolio of the Parish Council.

4. **Audit Process & Procedure Annual Review:** Approved, all correct, with no charges incurred. The notice has been posted in the notice board, 17<sup>th</sup> August declaring the Audit approved and available for any parishioners who would like to inspect the accounts.

**2119 Planning:** No new applications have been received in the last two months. Cllr Sir Richard Fitzherbert referenced the comments of the last meeting in which the Councillors noted a general preference for solar panels to be on roofs rather than on ground level. Reporting that the Peak Park does not share this view, and in the case of the particular applications the solar panel areas are more extensive than roof areas allow.

### 2120 Tissington Parish Business:

- a) Manhole Drain: The manhole/drain in the centre of the road by Yew Tree Well has become eroded around the edges. This repair will be done by STW. The Manhole at the top of the hill at Green Farm is also loose. Works number 10966287. A road closure notice has been received for two weeks in mid March 2015. The manhole by the bus stop is now repaired to a very high standard. However, the other two manholes are not, so the councillors requested the clerk to report the matter again.

- b) **Church Footpath:** Tissington Church is planning to renew the Footpath through the church yard from the gate entrance at Hall Well to the gate entrance at the Village Hall. However, the quote also has an additional part of the path quoted from the Hall Well gate to Hall Well. This quote is £3,600.80, and is based on the work being completed together with the path within the church boundary by the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015. This work would not be covered by the County Council; if they considered the path unfit for use they would conduct the repairs themselves. After much discussion the councillors agreed to contribute toward the renewal of the path from Hall Well to the Church Gate. The agreed sum was £1000; this amount was to be matched by Tissington Estate. Discussions followed concerning the details of the work, especially the edging finish is expected to look original. However, as this is a quote instigated by the Church committee, the onus is on them to check the details and provide clarification of the path finish.
- c) **Church Fete:** Considering the weather the footfall was better than expected. The Fete raised approx £1000 which is a good result. The councillors would like to thank Osmaston Wind Band for a great music set.
- d) **Secret Gardens:** With slightly better weather than the Fete the Garden day raised another £750 for the Church fund.
- e) **Tractor Rally:** The councillors would like to thank Philip Wilton, who organised the Tractor Rally, and the field provided by John Etches, which raised £500 for the Air Ambulance. Considering this is a popular event in the village perhaps next year a food outlet would be a welcome addition.
- f) **Laurel Trees in Chill Area:** Cllr Maxwell is continuing to remove the Laurel Trees in the Chill out area.

**2121 TMP (Tissington Traffic Management Plan) Update:** No further update.

**2121AOB**

- a. **Annual Parish Day:** Cllr Carr will attend this day, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015
- b. **A515 Verge:** Cllr Carr asked the Clerk to request the verges on the A515 to be strimmed/mowed before the autumn.
- c. **Village Phone Box:** Cllr Carr asked the Clerk to report the BT phone box as it is in need of repair.

**Village Website: Clerk**

Introduced on the 1<sup>st</sup> April new laws state that Tissington & Lea Hall Parish Council are required to provide the parishioners with free access to certain information. This is in the interest of transparency and freedom of information. This access should be free on the internet. This is called the “Transparency Code for smaller authorities”, under which we fall.

However, as with all these things the direction has been messy. Firstly it was thought the information could be stored on the County or District websites, until they realised that with 70+ councils in the shire, it would be unworkable. Therefore, it is down to Parish Council to provide this service. There is a fund, available, but this is only to fund company to provide the service, which of course is an open ended and ongoing cost.

Therefore, the route Tissington & Lea Hall Parish council has chosen is to have a sub-domain address, and build an in-house web site which is **cost free**, which the clerk will build and update accordingly.

Address: [tissingtonandleahallparishcouncil.weebly.com](http://tissingtonandleahallparishcouncil.weebly.com)

Face book Page: Tissington and Lea Hall Parish Council (search should get you to the right page)

Both sites are linked to each other, and when the website is updated, it will be posted on the Face book page.

On the website we will post: All items of expenditure above £100, end of year accounts, annual governance statement, internal audit report, list of councillors and responsibilities, minutes, agendas, meeting papers, formal meeting papers. The parish council does not hold any public land or building assets, and does not operate any petty cash.

Also: There is an “Events” page, dates for the next meet, and easy contact methods, with links to the clerks email address.

**Date of next meeting:** Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Signed ..... Date .....Chris Carr **Chairman**