

MINUTES OF THE TURVILLE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Tuesday 26th March 2024 in the Bull Room, the Bull and Butcher, Turville

PRESENT:

Cllr Alice Nuttgens – Chair, Cllr Hector Sants, Cllr Nick Kertesz, Cllr Deborah Abbot.

In attendance:

Mrs L Coldwell – Clerk

3 members of the public

Minute 23/24.85

Apologies for absence

Buckinghamshire Councillors Mark Turner, Dominic Barnes, and Zahir Mohammed.

Minute 23/24.86

Disclosure of Pecuniary and Personal Interest in items on the agenda

None declared.

Minute 23/24.87

To confirm the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 10th January 2024

The minutes from the meeting held on 10th January were confirmed as accurate and signed by the Chairman.

Minute 23/24.88

To report on matters arising from the minutes not on the agenda – for information:

- Clerk has been making progress on the new website by speaking with the provider.
- Cllr Nuttgens organised for the bench in Turville to be fixed.
- Clerk wrote to Wormsley Estate who said they would not make available an alternative way during the closure of bridleway TUV 8/1. Clerk wrote to Buckinghamshire Council asking them to expediate the repairs as a matter of urgency. Clerk to email Buckinghamshire Council asking for an update.

Action: Clerk

Minute 23/24.89

Public question and answer session

Nothing raised.

Minute 23/24.90

Reports to be received if any including any update regarding tree works being carried out at Northend Common:

22/01/24 – Buckinghamshire Council Clerks Forum (Clerk)

24/01/24 – Buckinghamshire Council Parish Liaison meeting (Clerk)

27/02/24 – Buckinghamshire Council Planning Forum meeting (Clerk)

28/02/24 – South West Chilterns Community Board meeting (Clerk)

19/03/24 – SLCC Branch meeting (Clerk)

Various training sessions ran by BMKALC as part of “Free January”

Any slides or presentations have been forwarded to the Councillors.

Cllr Kertesz gave an update on Northend Common; The Chiltern Society are having difficulty getting permits from the Forestry Commission for the work to be carried out, and there is no start date for the works at the moment.

Minute 23/24.91

Items to note

- Clerk has reported potholes around the parish to Transport for Bucks via [Fix My Street](#) which is an online service that anyone can use.
- Clerk spoke with The Chiltern Society regarding any funding possible for works to the Common.

Cllr Bragg joined the meeting.

- Buckinghamshire Councillor Mark Turner has asked about broadband speeds in the parish. Cllr Sants said that they have not altered in Turville since the last time it was discussed over 18 months ago. Cllr Kertesz said that Northend has fibre to the property and good speeds. Cllr Sants will liaise with Cllr Turner regarding the feasibility of using existing some infrastructure.

Action:Cllr Sants/Clerk

- Cllr Nuttgens commented that the grass contractor is unhappy about the amount of dog mess that is left on the piece of land outside the nursery on School Lane. The litter bin is still there. She will put up "There Isn't a Dog Poo Fairy" posters here.

Action:Cllr Nuttgens

Minute 23/24.92

Planning

a) Buckinghamshire Council decisions made since previous meeting – to be noted only:

[23/07498/FUL – Kimble Farm Dudley Lane Southend](#) – Creation of a padel court, including the erection of glass/mesh walls – **Application Refused**

[23/07649/FUL – Drovers End Dolesden Lane Turville Heath](#) – Householder application for the raising of garage and main dwelling roof height, garage conversion, construction of two storey front extension, outdoor swimming pool, fenestration alterations and removal of timber cladding to house – **Application Permitted**

[23/07142/FUL – Chiltern Fold Southend Common Southend](#) – Erection of replacement dwelling and ancillary home office/gym outbuilding – **Application Permitted**

b) Applications awaiting decision by Buckinghamshire Council – to be noted only:

[24/05172/LBC – Church Cottage Turville Valley Road Turville](#) – Listed building application for internal fit out works of detached cottage, including replacement of windows and doors, new skylights on back elevation, removal/replacement of existing modern materials, re-location of the back door locally, repair works generally and new internal finishes

c) New applications to be considered the PC with comments to be submitted to Buckinghamshire Council planning portal, including any applications received between the circulation of this agenda and the meeting:

[24/05398/FUL – Royal Oak Cottage Northend Road Northend](#) – Householder application for construction of part ground floor, part first floor extension – **comments to be submitted later**

Minute 23/24.93

To discuss and adopt if appropriate a Biodiversity Plan

[Section 40 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006](#) updated Section 102 of the [2021 Environment Act](#) states parish and town councils must consider biodiversity and nature recovery. The PC own little land and rent a small piece in Turville (the Glebe land). It was resolved that Turville Parish Council will consider biodiversity when responding to planning applications, and support organisations within the parish to become involved in biodiversity projects. We have an ongoing commitment to encourage, support and conserve nature and enhance biodiversity in our parish.

Minute 23/24.94

To confirm the contractor for fencing works at the Glebe Land, Turville

As per quotations and resolved decision at the January parish council meeting. It was agreed to proceed with the quotation from Chiltern Churchill, at a cost of £714.80. Cllr Sants to advise.

Action:Cllr Sants

Minute 23/24.95

To confirm the renewal of membership to the Open Spaces Society at a cost of £45

All in agreement, membership to be renewed. Cheque to be signed at this meeting.

Minute 23/24.96**To consider creating a Neighbourhood Plan for the parish**

Cllr Sants raised this following concerns about lotting of trees, and a neighbourhood plan can offer some protection against this. After a discussion it was agreed to not proceed.

Minute 23/24.97**To consider a request to put a plaque on an existing bench/installation of a new memorial bench**

Clerk has been asked by a member of the public if it is possible to put a plaque on a bench in the parish in memory of a loved one, or to place a new bench in a yet to be determined location. All in agreement that a plaque on an existing bench is not appropriate, and a new bench is likely to be on private land, which the PC would only be able to help facilitate communications. Clerk to inform. The church would be happy to have a bench sponsored with a plaque.

Action: Clerk

Minute 23/24.98**Finance**

Copies of the accounts have been circulated to the Councillors for reading prior to the meeting. The bank statements were available for inspection at the meeting.

a) Balances:

Opening Balance 01/01/2024	10807.14
Less January payments	(344.34)
Balance 01/02/2024	10462.80
Less February payments	
Salary via S/O	(257.29)
Closing Balance 29/02/24 unrestricted reserves	10205.51

b) To confirm the following payments:

Lorna Coldwell – salary March – paid via Standing Order	257.29
Lorna Coldwell – expenses January/February	109.97
The Open Spaces Society – annual subs	45.00
Information Commissioners Office – paid via DD	35.00
Total:	447.26

Payments approved and confirmed.

c) To nominate a Councillor to check and approve the bank reconciliation.

Cllr Sants checked and approved the bank reconciliations for January and February.

Minute 23/24.99**To confirm the dates for the next meetings in 2024 as:**

Wednesday 8th May, to be held at Northend Village Hall and include the Annual Parish and Annual Parish Council meetings.

Cllr Kertesz and Cllr Abbot give their apologies for the May meetings.

The meeting was closed at 20.17.

The Chair Date