

**Draft Minutes subject to ratification**  
**TANGMERE PARISH COUNCIL**  
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**Minutes of the COUNCIL MEETING held on 13 NOVEMBER 2014 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Irwin (Chairman), Beach, Birkett, Mrs Nation, Oakley (Parish, District & County Councillor) and Ware.

**In attendance:** G Burt, Clerk to the Council  
9 members of the press and public.

*At 7pm, members received a pre-meeting briefing from WSCC and their development partner on plans for a solar farm on the east of the former airfield.*

No.		ACTION
3006	<p><b>APOLOGIES</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from Councillors Anscombe, Boocock and Wood.</p>	
3007	<p><b>TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ITEMS INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA INCLUDING ANY REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTEREST DISPENSATIONS AND TO REMIND ALL MEMBERS TO UPDATE THEIR REGISTER OF INTERESTS.</b></p> <p>The following pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests were declared:  Cllr Oakley – planning issues and District and County Councils.</p>	
3008	<p><b>PUBLIC SESSION</b></p>	
3008.1	<p><b>Community Wardens</b>  Had circulated their report beforehand – attached to minutes –Appendix A.  Councillors were concerned about the level of litter, particularly bottles, some of which had contained alcohol, being left around the village, particularly on the Recreation Field. The Wardens believed that this often occurred late at night when they were off duty and encouraged residents to ring the Police if they saw under-age drinking/anti-social behaviour. Some work had been done to tackle sales of alcohol, to minors. It was agreed to ask TAG to look at this issue and make it a priority in the run-up to Christmas.</p>	RB
3008.2	<p><b>Chichester District Council</b>  Cllr Oakley reported. The Tangmere Conservation Area Re-Appraisal had been approved by CDC’s Cabinet, however two areas for possible inclusion were to be revisited: dwellings on the north side of Nettleton Avenue, and Saxon Meadows plus the filed margins to the west.</p>	
3008.3	<p>The Local Plan Inspector had asked CDC to look again at previously discounted housing sites, in an effort to increase the supply of housing land as he intimated that CDC’s Plan would not deliver sufficient housing numbers.</p>	
3008.4	<p><b>West Sussex County Council</b>  Cllr Oakley reported. WSCC needed to save £114 million over the next 3 years, due to</p>	

	<p>reducing revenue support grant from government. It was trying to ensure that its priorities reflected those of the public. It was also looking to maximise its income from new/other sources.</p> <p><b>3008.5 NMP/TAG</b> – Cllr Birkett reported that he was trying to arrange a meeting.</p> <p><b>3008.6 Neighbourhood Watch</b> – Nothing to report.</p> <p><b>3008.7 Neighbourhood Plan</b> – See Minute 3016 below.</p> <p><b>Residents’ Questions</b></p> <p><b>3008.8</b> Mr D Blythe was pleased to see a planning application for works on trees at Wyvern Close. He commented on the recent suggestion that new housing in the vicinity of Goodwood Aerodrome might hamper its future events. This was due to the fact that the closer houses were to the site, the greater the likelihood of noise complaints.</p> <p><b>3008.9</b> Mr Peter Roberts, and fellow neighbours, spoke in support of their bid have the residential part of City Fields Way, renamed. Because their part of the road is no longer physically connected to the remaining part of the same road that contains much commerce, there was often much confusion over deliveries and emergency services. They would have preferred the name <i>The Laurels</i>, but would be happy with <i>Merlin Close</i> so that there was some historical relevance to the village.</p>	
<b>3009</b>	<p><b>MINUTES</b></p> <p>The minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on 11 September and 9 October 2014, copies of which had been circulated to Members, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	
<b>3010</b>	<p><b>MATTERS ARISING</b></p> <p>None</p>	
<b>3011</b>	<p><b>ANY URGENT MATTERS</b></p> <p>None</p>	
<b>3012</b>	<p><b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b></p> <p>The Council considered the following applications and <b>RESOLVED</b> that the subsequent comments be submitted to CDC.</p> <p><b>3012.1</b> (a) TG/14/02413/REM Amended plans: Erection of 160 dwellings - Details of the layout of the site, the scale and the appearance of the buildings and the landscaping pursuant to outline planning permission TG/14/00797/FUL. Land to North East of Tangmere Military Aviation Museum, Gamecock Terrace, Tangmere.</p>	

	<p>Members noted that the revised plan had taken on board one of their previous comments, however many areas of concern remained, Hence, OBJECT for the following material reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Noting that the footprints of the proposed dwellings are larger than previously proposed, the proposed development represents an unacceptable overdevelopment of the site leading to not only a feeling of the development being cramped, but moreover insufficient amenity space within the curtilage of individual properties for the intended residents including the utility of parking/garage/cycle and bin storage arrangements.</li> <li>2. We consider that placing all the affordable housing to the rear of the site in one long row will be to the detriment of community cohesion. We would prefer to see a more imaginative spread that encourages a sense of belonging.</li> <li>3. The proposed dwellings bordering the countryside are unattractive and at variance with their edge-of-countryside location.</li> <li>4. The proposed siting of a Pumping Station to the south west of the site, will be to the detriment, by way of smell and noise, to the amenities of nearby residents. It is noted that the proposed exclusion zone around the station includes currently private gardens and garages, and it is questioned whether the applicant should be counting on the utilisation of third party land not in his control to meet his planning obligations.</li> </ol> <p>Additional comments:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The current private rear gardens in the vicinity of the proposed pumping station benefit from a historic chain link and barbed wire fence, which has been maintained by residents and is still serviceable. The plans do not clearly show if this is to be retained and / or replaced, or supplemented by something different.</li> </ol> <p><b>3012.2</b> (b) TG/14/03487/LBC Building 116 City Fields Way Tangmere. Proposed new injected insulation installation to existing perimeter external cavity walls. NO OBJECTION</p> <p><b>3012.3</b> (c) TG/14/03511/TPA Fell 3 no. Whitebeam trees (701, 703 and 710). Crown raise by up to 6m on 1 no. Lime tree (702). Crown raise by up to 6m on south sector (over the highway) on 1 no. Lime tree (715). Remove 3 no. limbs on east sector on 1 no. Lime tree (T20). All 6 no. trees are within Group, G1 subject to TG/08/00192/TPO. Land North Of, Garland Square, Tangmere. NO OBJECTION</p>	
<b>3013</b>	<p><b>STREET NAMING</b></p> <p>The Council had been approached by residents in City Fields Way, asking for support to change the name and had suggested possible new names. The residential part of the road was now physically divorced from the now commercial part, leading to confusion, and making it difficult for visitors and deliverers to find the properties. Under CDC's <i>Street Naming and Numbering Policy</i> such requests must come from the Parish Council. RESOLVED to support the change of name of the residential part of City Fields Way, to Merlin Close and to formally approach CDC accordingly.</p>	Clerk
<b>3014</b>	<b>LEAVE OF ABSENCE</b>	

	Cllr Wood was undergoing some medical treatment which meant that he was temporarily unable to attend meetings, although he was still able to offer advice and assistance via e-mail and phone. RESOLVED that Cllr Wood be granted six months leave of absence starting 13 November 2014.	
<b>3015</b>	<b>VILLAGE BONFIRE 2015</b>  Cllr Mrs Nation sought members' support for the Council to hold a bonfire celebration in 2015 on the former Airfield. Proceeds from the 2015 Village Fete could be used to help provide initial funding. Members thought that such an event would help bring the community together and would be a good location. RESOLVED to support the idea in principle, subject to the permission of WSCC and other landowners.	HN/SO
<b>3016</b>	<b>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN</b>  Cllr Irwin reported that the previous weekend's NP events had attracted 40 residents to a public meeting on the Friday and approximately 40-50 to a drop-in consultation event on the Saturday. To date ten comments had been received from members of the public, and slightly more from formal stakeholder consultees. It was RESOLVED that the table of all comments would be published on the website as soon after the closing date as possible, with personal details redacted as appropriate. Cllr Irwin agreed to seek clarification from AiRS on comment publication methodology.	AI
<b>3017</b>	<b>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS:</b>	
<b>3017.1</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE</b> The meeting received the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 2 October 2014. It was reported that Christine Baker had regretfully resigned as Chair of the Allotment Committee. NHB schemes were progressing well and the Clerk was asked to arrange for the collection of the remains of one of the recently removed Bus Shelters. The need for possible coating of the new wooden Bus Shelter would be discussed at the next Environment meeting.	Clerk
<b>3017.2</b>	Cllr Oakley reported that he was liaising with contractors on drafting specifications/obtaining quotes, for Operation Watershed schemes at Marsh Lane, Easthampnett and the <i>Tangmere Straight</i> .	
<b>3017.3</b>	<b>VILLAGE CENTRE COMMITTEE</b> The meeting received the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 14 October 2014. Cllr Birkett reported that Annica Irwin was settling in well as the new Bookings Secretary. Cllr Oakley reported that he had learnt that the first feed-in payment from British Gas, for energy produced by solar panels on the roof had been received.	
<b>3017.4</b>	<b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b> The meeting received the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 2 and 28 October 2014.	

3018	CORRESPONDENCE / ANY OTHER MATTERS FOR INFORMATION ONLY	
	None	

Meeting finished at 9.07pm

**Date of next meeting: Thursday, 8 January 2015**

**Chairman:**

**Date:**

**APPENDIX A**

**COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT**  
**November 2014**

We have now recruited our new Junior Wardens. We have planned our first litter pick for November 13th weather permitting and will be targeting the skate park, MUGA and surrounding areas after a number of complaints about the high levels of litter in these areas.

I received a call 2 weeks ago from a resident who had been and picked up a lot of litter from the above mentioned locations and told that there was broken glass on the serving line of the tennis court. I went down to clear it away. While there a group of young people known to me asked me why I was clearing the broken glass away, I asked them who they thought should clear it up if not me? They obviously hadn't thought it through but I didn't suspect that any of them were responsible either. I gave them all a talk on the importance of keeping the play areas safe and clean for all to use and enjoy.

We will be keeping a close eye on the recreation area as a whole and if we see people dropping litter we will be telling them to clear it up.

Halloween was a great community event with lots of ghouls, witches and monsters of all ages entering into the festive spirit. Lots of houses had been decorated and were very welcoming with their treats for those who dared to knock the spooky doors. I noticed lots of 'no trick or treat' signs in windows and doors and didn't witness anyone going to these doors. Halloween in Tangmere is always something we like to take part in. I spent a couple of hours walking around and only had cause to speak to one group of young people, a witch in particular. The witch in question had not seen me stood behind a car and as I watched her take a pumpkin off a wall and attempt to walk off with it, I stepped out from the car and asked what she thought she was going to do with said pumpkin, she said nothing and hastily put it back apologising as this was done. I gave a stern warning that I would be keeping my eye on this group. I have to say I was probably the scariest thing that happened to them all night!

As winter approaches it can be a challenging time for the elderly and vulnerable and so we are going to be keeping an eye out for any problems. We welcome calls about any concerns.