

TICHBORNE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Tichborne Annual Parish Assembly of Tichborne Parish held
at the Alresford Golf Club Tichborne at 7.15pm on Thursday 1st May 2025.

Apologies.

Ms M Philibert	Councillor
Mr C Spicer	Councillor
Mr N Bolton	District Councillor
Mr J Williams	County Councillor

Present.

Mr N Kinder	Chairman
Mr R Foot	Councillor
Mr A McWhirter	Councillor
Ms L Robbins	Councillor
Mr A Stewart	Councillor
Mr J Pett	District Councillor
Mr B Gibbs	Clerk

One member of the public.

1) Apologies were received from the following people.

Lady Craig-Cooper.

2) To approve the minutes of the 2024 Annual Parish Assembly held on the 9th May 2024.

Those present accepted the minutes of the last Annual Parish Assembly held on the 9th May 2024.

3) Tichborne Parish Council Chairman's Report.

Chairman's Report 2024-25

I would like to welcome everyone to the Tichborne Annual Parish Assembly.

Please enjoy our hospitality whilst you are here.

The Council year started on 9th May 2024. Neil Kinder was elected chairman for the year with no other nominations being received.

In the District elections, the electors of Winchester voted for a Liberal Democrat administration once again.

Currently, the village is represented by one Conservative and one Liberal Democrat member at the City Council.

In addition, we are represented by a Liberal Democrat councillor at the County Council.

Justin French-Brookes submitted his resignation in June 2024 after serving for 5 years on the Parish Council.

Over his time with the Council, Justin made a contribution to village life by helping to promote the Platinum Jubilee celebrations, provide support for the installation of commemorative bench to mark this event and managing the refurbishment of the "Tichborne" Signs at each end of Riverside Farm Way.

With his departure the Parish Council had three vacancies available.

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Lucy Robbins, Marcia Philibert and Chris Spicer have now been co-opted order to fill these vacancies and we welcome them to the Parish Council.

We are now fortunate to representatives from the village centre, Sevington, Ladycroft and Bakelands.

As always, thanks must go to Brendan our clerk for all his hard work as well as all the councillors for attending meeting when required.

The Parish Council continues to comment and make recommendations on all planning applications affecting the village.

Applications from the Matterley Estate concerning the promotion of the Boomtown festival and moto-cross events are currently under consideration.

Along with many other individuals and organisations, Tichborne Parish Council have continued to make comments on these applications.

The budget meeting in January 2025 saw an increase in the Band D rate to £36.93. This has led to a parish precept figure of £4,439 for 2025-26

This equates to a 3% rise in the Band D rate from £35.87. The main reason for the rise is a further increase in salary costs and the provision of greater support for St Andrew's Church with regard to its graveyard maintenance costs.

Prior to this year's modest increase, the precept has remained at more or less the same level for a number of years.

Grants were approved to the Alresford Show, the Winchester District Citizens Advice, the St Andrew's Church PCC, the Tichborne Park Cricket Club and the Olive Branch Christian Counselling Service. They all received £300 each.

The Parish Council also supported the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Victim Support service and provided financial support for the pastoral needs and the welfare of a number of Ukrainian students at Perins School.

4) Open Forum.

As usual, a lively and informative discussion took place about village matters. No proposals or resolutions were passed.

There being no further business the Annual Parish Assembly closed at 7.43pm.

Brendan Gibbs

Clerk to the Parish Council of Tichborne.

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