

TICHBORNE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at the Alresford Golf Club
Tichborne at 6.30pm on Tuesday 28th March 2023

Prior to the meeting commencing, Cllr Raimes paid tribute to former councillor Peter Kilmister who had passed away recently. Peter was a member of Tichborne Parish Council for eleven years up until 2018. He was also Chairman of the Parish Council for the last six years of his term. Cllr Raimes asked for a moment's reflection to remember Peter and said that he would be greatly missed by all who knew him. The Clerk commented that he had sent a sympathy card to Peter's family.

23/44) Apologies.

Mr R Foot	Councillor (late arrival)
Mr N Kinder	Councillor
Mr A Stewart	Councillor
Mr H Lumby	District Councillor
Mr R Humby	County Councillor

Present.

Mr R Raimes	Chairman
Mr R Foot	Councillor (from 7.17pm)
Mr J French-Brooks	Councillor
Mr A McWhirter	Councillor
Mrs S Tattersall	Councillor
Mr N Bolton	District Councillor

Mr B Gibbs Clerk

Two members of the public.

23/45) Declarations of Interest.

a) There were no declarations of interest made.

23/46) To approve the minutes of the last Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council of Tichborne held on 12th January 2023 (Previously circulated).

Cllr Raimes proposed and Cllr Tattersall seconded the proposal that the minutes of the last ordinary meeting of the Parish Council of Tichborne held on 12th January 2023 be approved.

It was **resolved** that these minutes be accepted as an accurate record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

23/47) Reports by the County and District Councillors.

Cllr Bolton began his report by announcing that Cllr Hugh Lumby will be standing down from his City Council position at the elections in May. He paid tribute to Cllr Lumby for all his efforts on behalf of the community as well as the personal support that he had received from him.

Litter picking: Cllr Bolton said that many residents are proud champions of the environment and organise regular litter picking including along the A32 and A272. The City Council is working with officers to see what can be done to improve its rubbish collection activities in areas such as the lay-bys.

In the meantime, it is worth pointing out that these groups can always contact Idverde who do support local litter clearance like this. They can provide hi viz jackets and pickers, as well as taking away the rubbish collected at the end.

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Cllr Bolton concluded his report by reporting on the current initiatives to provide better broadband for those areas that are considered as being “off grid.”

23/48) Public Session

No member of the public wished to speak during the public session.

23/49) Finance and Orders for Payment.

a) The Clerk proposed the following orders for payment as follows:

- BT1 B.V.Gibbs Salary Nov-Dec 2022. £161.60
- BT2 Grange Farm Partnership. Room hire 12-01-23. £25.00
- BT3 Grange Farm Partnership. Grip Clearance £170.00
- BT4 HMRC PAYE/NIC Nov-Dec 2022. £40.08
- BT5 B.V.Gibbs Salary Jan-Feb 2023. £161.60
- BT6 Alresford Golf Club. Room hire 28-03-23. £25.00
- BT7 HMRC PAYE/NIC Jan-Feb 2023. £40.72

The Parish Council **resolved** to approve these orders for payment.

b) Grant applications 2023-24

The Parish Council **resolved** to allocate the sum of £1,900 as its 2023-24 grant fund. The Clerk said that he had written to a number of organisations inviting them to submit a grant application form for consideration. This figure includes a sum of £300 to support the Ukrainian children at Perrins School.

c) To review the Financial Risk Assessment for 2022-23.

The Clerk said he would be updating the Financial Risk Assessment for uploading on to the Parish Council’s website once the Parish Council had accepted the amendments made to this year’s document. These included listing the S137 fund at £1,647.47 at a rate of £8.81p per elector multiplied by the number of electors (187).

The Parish Council **resolved** to approve the amendments and publish the document on the website.

d) To appoint an internal auditor for the year 2023-24.

It was **resolved** to appoint Lightatouch Internal Audit Services to act as the Parish Council’s Internal Auditor for the financial year 2023-24. It was noted Lightatouch will be undertaking the 2022-23 internal audit.

e) To approve the budget for 2023-24.

It was proposed by Cllr Raimes and seconded by Cllr Tattersall that Tichborne Parish Council approves a working budget of £6,341 for the year 2023-24.

f) The Clerk reported that the Parish Council’s bank account contained the sum of £14,838.55 as at 28th February 2023.

Cllr Raimes signed this bank statement.

23/50) Environment, Highways & Transport.

a) The Parish Lengthsman scheme will renew once again. The important item to note is the fact that there will now only be four visits a year rather than the previous five. This is in order to retain two-man working.

b) The Clerk said that the recent speeding survey had been sent to a colleague of his who would be able to interpret the data and provide a report.

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23/51) Planning & Licensing.

a) Planning applications and decisions received from the South Downs National Park Authority.

There are no applications to receive.

b) Planning applications and decisions received from Winchester City Council.

There are no applications to receive.

23/52) Any other reports that the Chairman deems urgent – NO DECISIONS to be made.

There were no other items to consider at this meeting.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 7.39pm.

Members of the Tichborne Parish Council are summoned to the Annual Council Meeting of the Parish Council to be held at Alresford Golf Club, Tichborne on Tuesday 16th May 2023 at 6.30pm

**Brendan Gibbs,
Clerk to the Parish Council of Tichborne.**

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