

Twycross Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on: **Thursday 6th November, 8.15pm,**
Twycross Village Hall

134/25 **Present & apologies**

Cllrs: A Taylor, A Tolli, D Bonser-Hadfield
County Councillor J Melen

Apologies: M Humphreys, J Hadfield, Clerk K Steadman

Cllr A Taylor proposed we accept the above apologies, Cllr A Tolli seconded

135/25 **Declaration of interests – None**

136/25 **Public questions and comments (25 minutes)**

Cllr A Taylor explained that due to a large number of public attending, public Questions would be extended to 25 minutes.

Members of the public asked questions and raised concerns over the Hinckley and Bosworth Draft Local Plan, in particular the inclusion of the Norton Heath Development.

-Concerns raised over the Consultation meeting not being well organised, Inexperienced planning staff, incorrect use of terminology and road names in their display materials.

-The fact that several landowners have not agreed to sell their land even though it# is being presented as a done deal.

Cllr Taylor reassured the public that the parish council has been in contact with local Councillors, MP and other local parish councils. We have already submitted a comment detailing parishioners concerns and we did ask for an extension to the consultation period due to the sudden inclusion of Norton Heath.

Cllr Taylor explained that the Parish Council will be asking for the removal of the Norton Heath development from the local plan, especially as it has become clear that all landowners are not willing to sell.

A member of the public raised the question of getting zebra crossings in Twycross, Cllr A Taylor explained that it is something that the Parish Council have asked for# many times over many years but are consistently told that they are not necessary.

137/25 **Approval of the previous minutes September 25**

The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Unanimously agreed.

138/25 **Update from District and County Councillors (if present)**

County Councillor J Melen spoke about a number of issues:

-The concern that councillors had not been made aware of the inclusion of the Norton Heath Development within the Draft Local Plan.

-The recent Flooding Meeting was successful with a £2 million resilience fund being made available that we can apply for a portion of.

139/25 Correspondence

All relevant correspondence has been circulated.

140/25 Planning applications, consultations & updates

No	Ref	Subject	Application Date
i	25/00967/HOU	Erection of garage/carport (retrospective) Unit 1, The Farmhouse, The Green, Orton on the Hill No comment	16/10/25
ii	25/00968/FUL	Conversion of an outbuilding to form a dwelling house with garaging and associated works (retrospective) Hall Farm, The Green, Orton on the Hill No comment	16/10/25

141/25 Financial information

Balances as at 22/10/25

Comm unity	29169.80	BMM	11081.09	Petty Cash	0	Total	40250.97	U/P Chqs.	618.08
Transactions for Community Account up to 26/04/2021									
Date	Ref	Payee	Details				Value £		
05/09/25	DD	Nest	Pension Scheme				42.73		
18/08/25	200437	Clerk	Reimbursement for Microsoft Office				84.99		
22/09/25	DD	Nest	Pension Scheme				42.73		
23/09/25	CHG	HSBC	Charges				2.00		
29/09/25	BACS	HBBC	Bin Servicing				69.58		
01/10/25	SO	TC Tamworth	Payroll				90.00		
07/10/25	BACS	Browne Jacobson	Legal fees				300.00		
07/10/25	BACS	NJT Church	Boundary wall				800.00		
09/10/25	DD	Nest	Pension Scheme				42.73		
14/10/25	200438	Clerk	Clerk Salary				590.08		
14/10/25	200439	Clerk	Clerk expenses				28.00		

Cllr A Taylor proposed that the October bank reconciliation be accepted, Cllr D Bonser-Hadfield seconded.

Cllr A Taylor explained that the Clerk had circulated a budget overview to all councillors.

142/25 **Local Plan and Norton Heath Development**

Cllr A Taylor explained that he felt that this has been discussed fully during the public Questions and went on to thank local groups and individuals who have been working on this local issue.

143/25 **Twycross Village Hall**

We have taken legal advice and confirmed that the parish council owns the land which we have registered. As set out in the 1933 conveyance, this land is held in trust for the purpose of a community use building. We have also clarified that we need to maintain the land that accesses the road. We shall begin the process of obtaining quotes and getting the maintenance work planned.

144/25 **Playground Repairs**

Cllr A Taylor reported that the Clerk has obtained a quote for the repairs needed on# the playgrounds. Suggested that we obtain a further quote.

145/25 **Councillor reports/local issues – Orton on the Hill**

None

146/25 **Councillor reports/local issues – Norton Juxta Twycross**

Cllr A Taylor explained that Cllr M Humphreys had raised the issue of the new lights being on overnight at Twycross Zoo. They are visible from Norton Juxta Twycross, we shall raise this with the zoo.

147/25 **Councillor reports/local issues – Twycross**

Cllr D Bonser Hadfield encouraged the public to come to her with any local issues going forward which she can then bring to the PC's attention.

The meeting was closed at 9.28pm

Next meeting: Thursday 4th December, 7.00pm, Norton Juxta Twycross Village Hall