

TAPLOW PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TAPLOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 12th NOVEMBER 2024 AT 7.30 P.M. @ TAPLOW VILLAGE HALL.

Present

Chairman Cllr. Karen Walsh

Cllr. Gerry O’Riordan

Cllr. Jennifer Thomson

Cllr. Louise Symons

Cllr. Roger Worthington

Cllr. Val Pridmore

County Cllr. George Sandy and County Cllr. Kirsten Ashman

Clerk - Ms. Ruth Senior and 3 members of the public

Item 1 preceding Public Forum – to elect a new Chairman/Vice Chairman and complete Declaration of Office

The current Council thanked Prof. Alan Sinclair for his time as Taplow Parish Council Chairman and wished him well for the future and a speedy recovery.

Cllr. Walsh nominated as Chairman, proposed Cllr. Worthington seconded Cllr. Pridmore

Cllr. Worthington nominated as Vice Chairman, proposed Cllr. Walsh seconded Cllr. O’Riordan

Open forum

Matthew Grant presented the latest information on planning application for a temporary dwelling on the land at the end of Ye Meads. He submitted a full update to the Council prior to the meeting for Councillors to read. The Council advised that we can only act as consultants and can only add support or object to planning Applications and Mr Grant should speak further with Planning Officers and his neighbours.

PC/77/24 Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr. Spencer Norton.

PC/78/24 To confirm the minutes of the Meetings held 10th September 2024

These were **approved** with no amendments required and signed by the Chairman.

PC/79/24 Declarations of interest

None declared.

PC/80/24 To receive the Clerk Report

No report this month.

PC/81/24 To update/consider parking problems – particularly around Taplow Station

Cllrs Worthington and Walsh circulated a summary of the survey report prior to the meeting including comments from residents to consider and reiterated that the plan does need to include some paid for parking in order to get the go ahead from Buckinghamshire as they will need to recover the money spent on the project.

The roads being taken into account and the suggestions on best action from Taplow Parish council are:

Approach Rd – temporary solution of passing bays to be marked asap, long term paid for parking and passing bays with yellow lines on opposite side of road and from start of the houses down to A4.

Station Rd - paid for parking and passing bays.

Boundary Rd North – temporary solution of putting up ‘residents only’ signs, long term residents parking permits which was overall welcomed by residents following a formal answer from Buckinghamshire on the permit charges.

Boundary Rd South – yellow lines and short term only parking.

Hillmead Court – leave out of application.

Marsh Lane – yellow lines or short-term parking.

A separate meeting for Marsh Lane and Hillmead Court residents is taking place on Tuesday 19th November at Taplow Village Hall.

These are only our suggestions and are subject to changes from Buckinghamshire.
Proposal for vote to submit to Buckinghamshire from Cllr. Walsh, **unanimously agreed**.

The temporary solutions above will be at a cost of approximately £3000 to Taplow Parish Council, proposal to vote on this action from Cllr. Worthington, **unanimously agreed**.

A request was made for a hatched box junction to be painted at the junction of Marsh Lane and the A4 which will be passed to Buckinghamshire.

The next stage is public notice and a time for objections to be made and considered.

The Council thanked Cllrs Worthington and Walsh for their work on the problems so far.

PC/82/24 To discuss co-opting a new Councillor

There are currently 4 vacancies on the Council, **it was agreed** that following the advert we will co-opt a maximum of two Councillors, leaving spaces for the Elections in May.

It was agreed the Clerk will contact the candidates for a short Bio and that Cllrs Worthington, Thomson and Pridmore will conduct interviews in the next 2 weeks.

PC/83/24 To ratify the purchase of the remembrance wreath

Ratified cost of £20

PC/84/24 To ratify the purchase of the Village Green Christmas tree

Ratified

PC/85/24 To update on environmental issues and biodiversity

County Cllr. Sandy confirmed that the closure of Rectory Rd for resurfacing work has been postponed to February half term.

PC/86/24 Planning

86.1 & 86.2 Cllr. Worthington issued the following report:

Outstanding applications of interest

PL/22/3278/FA Old Boathouse site moorings

COMMENTED

PL/24/1149/MDLA Cliveden Stud House covenant

COMMENTED

PL/24/1726/EU Marshmead Marsh Lane

PL/24/1603/FA Cranford House Coach House

Previous version rejected on appeal. New version tries to tune around appeal grounds

PL/24/2275/FA Ye Meads retrospective letter from residents alleging unlawful occupation to George Sandy

New

PL/24/3190/EU Odds Farm retrospective approval as an Adventure Park, Was only approved as a rare breeds farm

Decisions of interest

PL/24/2799/FA New house in meadow off Cliveden Rd SL6 0HL COMMENTED -

WITHDRAWN

PL/24/2412/VRC Marshmead Marsh Lane

WITHDRAWN

PL/23/1309/FA Joes Folly kennels to houses Our objection not significant

PL/23/2975/FA Hermitage extensions End of 20 years of applications

Appeals

PL/24/0391/EU Cliveden Stud House exemption

PL/23/3619/FA Cliveden Stud Cottages 2 houses – GB, bats, B Beeches zone, design

PL/23/0225/EU Cliveden Stud House exemption

PL/23/3881/EU Land by Skyfall gates - disbelief

PL/23/3758/FA Land by Skyfall stables – biodiversity

PL/23/3483/FA Paddock bungalow Huntswood Lane

Enforcements

ES/24/00002/COU Huntswood Lane North Barn

APP/N0410/C/24/3343577

ES/24/00128/COU Huntswood Lane South van dump

APP/N0410/C/24/3349257

Question from Cllr. O’Riordan over the appearance of a metal gate on Marsh Lane to car boot field, no information known.

PC/87/24 Finance

87.1 to agree/ratify expenditure in the cashbook - Expenditure in the cashbook circulated to Councillors before the meeting **was approved**.

87.2 to consider adding Cllr. Thomson to Unity bank account – agreed

87.3 to consider the annual hall hire charge increase – it was agreed that the regular hire charges would increase by £1 and the 3% annual increase for Playgroup will take place from the New Year, the Clerk will inform hirers. In preparation for the budget, **it was agreed** the Clerk and Cllr. Thomson will look at casual hire charge increases.

87.4 to discuss projects for the next budget – Cllr. Thomson ran through some projects currently being planned; Flat roof repair, porch ceiling repair, hall hire software, tree works, election costs.

It was agreed that we should propose a 10% precept increase following a proposal to vote by Cllr. Walsh with majority in favour.

PC/88/24 Agenda items for the next meeting on 21st January 2025

Projects and quotes for budget next year.

Road sweeper/litter picker

PC/89/24 Discuss and agree a response to the Government Survey on remote attendance

It was agreed that Taplow Parish Council will not complete the survey but will await decision from Buckinghamshire before making a decision.

The meeting ended at 9.10pm

Signed (Chair)_____ . Date_____