# Tarleton Parish Council

**Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30pm at the Pavilion, Carr Lane, Tarleton**

**Present**
Cllrs. R Bryan; S Bryan; Mee; R Evans; M Evans; Latham; Hargreaves; Daly; McDiarmid; Cookson and Eminson.

Two members of the public were present. It was heard that there is an ongoing issue with access along the footpath at the Henry Alty Way and a member of the public raised the ability to walk through the boatyard. It was resolved that the matter be considered at a later stage with the Clerk to contact the Henry Alty Way delivery group.

**2023/098 Chairman's welcome and opening remarks**
The Chairman Cllr S Bryan welcomed everyone to the meeting

**2023/099 Apologies for absence:** Cllr Wareing

**2023/100 Notifications of Interests:** None

**2023/101 Minutes of the last meeting**
It was resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th December 2023 should be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**2023/102 Clerks Report (for information only)**

a) The Clerk reported that the new serving hatch window was due to be installed on 31st January.
b) The Clerk reported that the annual CIL report was submitted to WLBC and available on the Parish Council website.
c) The Clerk reported that the Flood Report was now also available on the Parish Council website and had been shared on social media to reach the wider community.
d) The Clerk advised that a letter of condolence has been sent to Hesketh-with-Becconsall Parish Council in respect of the sad passing of Cllr David Maughan.
e) The Clerk advised that a revised loan repayment plan from Mere Brow Village Hall had been accepted, increasing the repayments to £300 per month.

**2023/103 Parish Council Working Groups**

a) Sports & Community Users Group – nothing to report
b) Estates Management Group – A meeting with the flood group to be arranged to push through issues
c) Communications Group – flood report has been posted to social media and

going to push Love Clean Streets more.

d) Finance Group – it was agreed that a meeting should be held to discuss grant policies
e) Mere Brow Village Hall – nothing to report
f) Planning Working Group – nothing to report

**2023/104 Financial Matters**

(a) It was resolved that the payments listed should be approved. £

(b) Items of income received since last meeting:

(c) Parish Council's financial position to 31 December 2023 was noted

(d) Members reviewed fees and charges for 2024/25 and resolved to amend in line with similar venues in the local area. They are attached as a scheduled to these minutes.

(e) Budget and setting of precept 2024/25:

i. Members resolved that, given the current economic climate and the cost of living struggle, the parish precept for 2024/25 would not be increased and remain at the level of the previous financial year to support future projects in the community. The precept was agreed at £89,472.
ii. The budget for 2024/25 drafted by the Finance Group was agreed. The detailed budget is attached as an appendix to these minutes.
iii. Reserves included circa £36,250 remaining from the sale of the former Over 60's Club which are required to be "ring-fenced" for capital projects and CiL monies (£314,042) that equally should not be used to fund day to day revenue items. Some of these CIL monies will be available to improve playgrounds, bus stops and benches in the community.

**2023/105 Planning Matters**

Weekly planning applications considered:

a) 2023/1122/FUL – Tarleton Bridge Over River Douglas, Tarleton Lancashire PR26 9AX
b) 2023/1127/FUL – 7 Crestway, Tarleton, Preston, Lancashire, PR4 6BE

2023/1122/FUL – it was heard that there were concerns with access and limited space if the proposed wind farm goes ahead. It was resolved a comment of this should be made on the application.

It was resolved that no representation should be made on the other application.

**2023/106 Correspondence**

A letter was received from a member of the public in respect of a grant, however it was noted as no grant policy is currently in place this could not be considered at this time.

**2023/107 Next Meeting**

The date and location for the next meeting is scheduled for Monday 11th March 2024 at 7.30pm at the **Pavilion, Carr Lane.**