

TURVEY PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Meeting of Turvey Parish Council held on Tuesday 28th November 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs D Niblett, E Poll, R Kirk, J Lynch, A Bartoli, J Skippins, J Ludlow, D Clarke and Borough Cllr Dylan Simmons, 1 member of the public and Mrs S Bottoms (Clerk).

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllrs G Morris and Borough Cllr Robert Rigby

2. **Declarations of interest in items on the agenda:** None.

3. **Public Questions (15 mins):**

Jacks Lane and concern about the size of vehicles using it: Cllr Kirk to investigate whether weight restrictions could be placed on that road. **Action: Cllr Kirk.**

4. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 1st October 2024:** It was agreed that the minutes be signed as a true record of the meeting.

5. **Finance:**

Bank Balances at 22nd November 2024: £116,882.52

i) **Monies received since the September meeting:**

Interest	£ 280.45
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Funeral	£ 200.00
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ii) **Accounts to be settled:**

BACS 46	K Cockings – Grass	£ 645.00
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BACS 47	Beds Pension Scheme (Oct)	£ 188.45
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BACS 48	HMRC – PAYE (Oct)	£ 110.20
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BACS 49	Clerk's Salary (Oct)	£ 441.16
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BACS 50	Wave Pavilion	£ 51.38
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BACS 51	Wave Cemetery	£ 34.87
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BACS 52	K Cockings – Grass	£ 720.00
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BACS 53	BATPC – Subs	£ 273.00
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BACS 54	Beds Pension Scheme (Nov)	£ 244.53
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BACS 55	HMRC – PAYE (Nov)	£ 143.00
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BACS 56	Clerk's Salary – (Nov)	£ 572.41
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(Payments above have already been settled)

(Monthly payments are made by direct debit to the following:

Rates £39)

BACS 57	S Bottoms – Expenses	£ 228.98
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BACS 58	Eyelid Productions – Website	£ 100.00
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The accounts for payment were **agreed**.

iii) **To receive the local government services pay agreement for 2024-25:** noted.

6. **Report by Bedford Borough Councillors:** The report from the Borough Cllrs had been circulated to members of the Parish Council. The Clerk had also put a copy on the website. Borough Cllr Simmons spoke to the report.

7. **Planning:**

Report by Cllr Poll: Cllr Poll had forwarded his report on the planning applications considered by the Parish Council Planning Committee.

24/01876/AOC Elderswell Farm Bedford Road, MK43 8BD. 21/02767/LBC - Condition 4 - Doors and Windows (discharge of condition). Permitted. The Parish Council made no objection or comment.

24/01892/TCA Tinkers Cottage, High Street, MK43 8DB. Mature Apple tree to reduce by approx 1 - 1.5m in height and width. Permitted. The Parish Council made no objection or comment.

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24/01899/FUL Staunton House, Tandys Close, MK43 8EU. Single storey side extension to attach to existing garage. Permitted. The Parish Council made no objection or comment.

24/02069/FUL 3 Mount Pleasant Court, Stagsden MK43 8UA. Single storey rear extension, first floor window infilled above proposed extension and enlargement of existing window to rear master bedroom. Awaiting decision from Bedford Borough Council. The Parish Council made no objection or comment.

24/02150/FUL 1 Bakers Close, Turvey, MK43 8GJ. Single storey side and rear extensions, new front entrance canopy and new extended porous block paved driveway. Awaiting decision from Bedford Borough Council. The Parish Council made no objection or comment.

8. Open Spaces including Turvey Rec, Play Areas and Cemetery:

- i) Updates on works to tennis courts and play area: We await further updates on time scale for completion.

9. Update on improvements to the Pavilion: No further progress.

10. Highways, Parking and Maintenance:

- i) Any update: re: request to change the average speed camera signage: The Borough Council have informed the Parish Council that the signs have been ordered. There is however a 4-6 month lead in time for this work. It is hoped they will be installed by the end of the financial year.
- ii) Speed camera data: Data was circulated from the Borough Council. It was noted that the cameras are live at all times but the police do not have the resources to continually monitor.
- iii) Any update re: walls along Carlton Road: The Borough Council do not have the powers to prevent drivers from parking on the footway. If this parking causes an obstruction to pedestrians then it is the police who have the powers of enforcement. Borough Cllr Rigby and Cllr Niblett have been monitoring the situation and will put notes on any offending vehicles.

11. Footpaths and Bridleways: Nothing to report.

12. Village Hall: Cllr Skippins reported that an emergency repair to the roof of the caretaker's house had been needed at a cost of £3,420. The Clerk to forward a grant application to Cllr Skippins. **Action: the Clerk.**

13. Meeting dates for 2025: 30th January, 27th March, 29th May, 31st July, 25th September, 27th November.

14. Correspondence Received:

2 emails re: footpath from Elderswell. One of the residents had reported it to Bedford Borough Council. Cllr Niblett provided the Clerk with additional details and she will also report it. **Action: the Clerk.**

Email re: Bridleway 12 with the 3 water buffalo: The contents were noted. The Clerk had responded to a previous e-mail from Mr Prigmore of Bedford Borough Council following the last meeting.

15. Date of the Next Meeting: Thursday 30th January 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.