

TUTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council (TPC) and the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was held at St Marys Church, Tutbury Monday 23rd July 2018 7.30pm.

Those present were Cllrs M Guest (Committee Chair) C Smedley, Ken England

Five members of the Parochial Church Council, Roger Sharpe chaired the meeting.
Lesley Smith Tutbury Castle

In attendance, Karen Duffill (Clerk)

04/18/C/1.0 APOLOGIES

Rev I Whitehead, PCC. R Tunstall PCC

PARKING NEAR THE TRIANGLE

2.1 Tutbury Parish Council have instructed the County Council to carry out a feasibility study to improve the parking in Tutbury. One of the problem areas included was the area near the triangle, church and castle. The proposal outlined a suggestion to put double yellow lines all around the triangle. However, Cllr Guest informed the PCC and Lesley Smith that double yellow lines outside the resident houses were to be refused. The only area that was being considered for Double yellow lines was outside Castle Hill House.

2.2 Lesley Smith from the Castle stated that Parking is a high priority of hers and is always looking at ways to improve the situations on bank holidays and event days. The castle car park is often used for the weddings and funerals. Her main concern is parking on the throughway. This causes problems when there are functions at the church and the castle. The throughway is required to ensure safe entry and exit from this area especially for the fire service and ambulance service. Having the throughway clear means that traffic can exit the site quickly in times of heavy traffic during events. When the throughway is blocked, and people are having to turn around to exit near the triangle, this causes more congestion. It is not safe for large/ long vehicles to reverse onto Castle Street due to the blind bend.

The map is slightly inaccurate and shows that current restrictions run further along the Castle Hill House side than they do, as there are a few car parking spaces that are available that would not block the throughway. Church visitors do park in that area.

Improved signage and marking to stop the throughway would be welcomed. The need for double yellow lines was received favourably, but not to the detriment of the residents or church visitors and only directly outside Castle Hill House entrance not all the way along. Castle hill house has their own car park.

More brown signs throughout the village to direct the traffic flow to the castle and advertise parking available in the route through the village would also ease congestion.

2.2 Lesly Smith requested for the parish council to consider moving back the edge of the triangle by two feet. This would take it back to the lamp post. However, kerb stones would have to be moved. The reason why this would benefit the traffic flow, it would stop parking on the pavement blocking the path for pushchairs and pedestrians walking to the church and the castle. This would allow cars to pass more easily when exiting and entering these areas.

2.3 The corner of the triangle also causes problem for people and buses turning into the road to enter the castle. Cllrs were concerned how this would alter the visual aesthetics of the triangle.

2.4 Hedges in this area are overgrown and if cut back would allow more space for parking and less of a hazard for scratching cars. One hedge is the responsibility of the parish council and one is the owners of the vicarage. The clerk will contact the contractor.

07/18/C/3.0 Tree removal near the church boundary

3.1 A tree that is overhanging the church wall close to the boundary is posing a risk to the wall. J Collinson has requested documents from the Duchy regarding the boundary information. However, she received the details of the church hall boundary rather than the vicarage so will speak to them again to get some more information.

07/18/C/4.0 Shed in the closed Churchyard is to be emptied and moved.

4.1 Due to a change in ownership of the land where the shed is positioned permission to site the shed there is no longer available. The shed contains a wooden bier that would have been used to move coffins, this will not be able to be stored in the shed and an alternative us/ storage will need to be found.

07/18/C/5.0 Repair to church drain grid.

5.1 A contractor has been appointed to repair the church grid and the parish council will notify the PCC when the work is due to take place.

07/18/C/6.0 100 years commemoration of WW1.

6.1 A meeting will take place July 28th. A template has been made for a wooden Tommy figure to be made once varnished. 8-10 of these will be placed around the village. The clerk advised of an email sent to Shirley regarding grants and the opportunity to purchase the seated silhouette Tommys to be placed on Church pews. Roger Sharpe has organised a church concert on Nov 3rd at 2pm. The Local Vocals will be holding a sing for a soldier concert to raise money for the Tommy figures.

6.2 The clerk suggested that Tutbury could adopt the same initiative as Hilton to hang many of the lamp post poppies throughout the village although not on the lamp

post as eon permission has not been sought or granted. They are £3 each Hilton Parish Council purchased and sold 1000 in Hilton. This will be raised at the meeting if the church or scouts wanted to order some and follow the same initiative.

07/18/C/7.0 Parochial Church Matters

7.1 Work is due to commence on the Alabaster Arch scaffolding will be erected and parking will be affected.

7.2 A faculty has been applied for to install CCTV cameras to survey the church yard particularly the benches to try and reduce drug taking and anti-social behaviour. The clerk advised that when installed, to check the new General Data Protection Regulations in how it is operated and recorded.

7.3 The PCC have applied for a faculty to alter the entrance and porch way to make it easier for disabled and push chairs to enter the church, making the entrance flatter and wider.

7.4 The church is planning to review and improve existing lighting particularly to uplight the church in the churchyard.

07/18/C/8.0 Items for the next agenda

8.1 Similar items were suggested for the next agenda
Boundary tree
Parking update
WW1 update

07/18/C/9.0 Date of the next meeting

9.1 Monday 22nd October 7pm for refreshments 7.30pm start

The meeting closed at 8.30pm