

TUTBURY PARISH COUNCIL (TPC)

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Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020

A meeting of the Parish Council was held by Zoom teleconferencing, Monday 7th December 2020. Those present were Cllrs, R Lock (Chair), Cllr K England (Vice Chair), Cllr C Smedley, Cllr P Steadman, Cllr T Spencer Smith, Cllr F Crossley, Cllr L Evans, Cllr M Upton, Cllr, L Anderson.

11/20 1.0 Apologies

1. W Crossley, Cllr D Morris

12TPCF/20 2. 0 Declarations of Interest & Dispensation requests:

2.1 Cllrs raised concern on how their interests in existing community groups may cause a conflict of interest. These interests were not pecuniary interests. The chair assured Cllrs that it would not exclude them from discussions to form a committee, only those issues related to groups that they were directly involved in.

2.2 Russell Lock is on the Borough 250k grant committee, F Crossley knows people who have applied for the fund, P Steadman Scout leader and member of The Old School Association (TOSCA), K England parochial committee member, T Spencer Smith TOSCA member, parish charities member, L Evans Parish charities member, L Anderson no interests declared, M Upton Parish Charities, C Smedley Parish Charities member, parochial church committee member.

12TCF/20 3.0 Public Participation:

3.1 A member of the cricket club suggested that all interested parties from different groups could work collaboratively to apply for a community building at the cricket club. This could be designed to cater for the groups who would use it. He expressed an interest in joining the committee and believed that the fund should be used as a Legacy for the village, rather than lots of small bids being granted. The cricket club would be flexible in their requirements to cater for other community groups. being

granted. It was thought to be a great opportunity for Tutbury. He questioned “Should the parish council lead on this? “

12TCF/20 4.0 To Discuss and resolve to form a Tutbury Community Fund Committee.

4.1 The chair suggested setting up a Tutbury Community Fund committee with existing Standing Orders. This committee would allow the parish council to focus on correspondence and allow more meeting time to discuss the parish council’s intentions in relation to the 250k fund, that has been created from the section 106 money in lieu of a community building. It would allow the council to respond to different community groups who may ask for assistance in placing a bid for the community fund.

4.2 The parish council has already been approached by community groups for assistance in formulating community fund bids. Some Cllrs thought that a parish council recommendation maybe helpful, Cllrs raised concern that not all community groups maybe aware that they could request assistance, and therefore maybe penalised. Discussions regarding these issues can be discussed by the parish council committee.

4.3 Cllrs were unsure what the purpose of the committee, as not all fund applicants would come through the parish council. Therefore. the parish council may be seen to be helping some groups and not others. The chair confirmed that the Borough Council fund committee was a separate process, and the parish council would not be approving applications as they were not directly involved in the fund distribution process. The parish council may be able to assist less established community groups in submitting a fund application.

Resolution

A member proposed and it was seconded, to form a Parish Council Tutbury Community fund committee. The majority of councillors vote in favour.

12TCF/20 5.0 To review and accept Terms of Reference for a Tutbury Community Fund Committee

5.1 The clerk distributed the Terms of Reference to the councillors to consider. The aims of the committee would be.

- 1. To formulate and approve proposals developed by the committee in relation to ESBC Tutbury Community Grant Scheme**

2. To discuss, negotiate & approve as deemed appropriate approaches made by external bodies for partnership support in relation to ESBC Tutbury Community Grant Scheme

3. To discuss and as deemed appropriate approve requests for financial assistance in relation to the ESBC Tutbury Community Grant Scheme subject to the limitations of the Tutbury Fund Support element of the budget.

5.2 Members raised further concern regarding assistance of some groups and not others. However, the terms of reference could be changed by the elected committee once the committee was established. The committee could advertise and engage with the community in how the parish council could assist or declare the bids that the council may want to submit. The committee would raise proposals to be ratified by the full council on steps the committee wanted to take.

Resolution

The chair proposed the terms of reference were adopted for the committee .A member seconded this proposal and the majority of councillors voted in favour to accept the terms of Reference.

12TCF/20 6.0 To Appoint members to the Tutbury Community Fund Committee.

6.1 Some Councillors recommended that all members should be on the committee, others that committees should be subsets of the full council., The following councillors were elected.

Cllr L Anderson, Cllr M Upton, Cllr K England, Cllr T Spencer Smuth, Cllr P Steadman, Cllr C Smedley

Mr S.Dhanda was appointed as a representative of the Cricket Club.

Other members wishing to join the committee were asked to contact the clerk.

12TCF/20 7. To assign budgetary permissions for the Tutbury Community Fund

7.1Cllrs were concerned that there should only be one grant process and that grant requests should be handled in the full council meeting. The budget allocated to this area should be decided In the December full council meeting.

7.2 The parish council grant budget would only be for small amounts. Groups could apply for a small proportion of match funding. However, this may be misleading, it was suggested that the grant process should be clarified for any group that may wish to apply.

7.3 The chair reiterated that the parish council would not be vetting applications and prioritising some groups and not others. Its purpose was to handle enquiries regarding the 250K community fund and may offer assistance to groups who request the council to work in collaboration with them to formulate their own bids for the Tutbury fund. The committee may formulate a proposal for the parish council's bid. The 250K Tutbury community Fund would be allocated by the Borough council not the Parish council. There was no requirement to go through the parish council to apply for the community fund. Some groups will not need or choose to contact the parish council and may have already submitted their own bid.

8. To Elect a Chair to the Tutbury Community Fund Committee.

It was proposed and seconded that the chair would be appointed by the committee.

Cllrs voted in favour to appoint the chair at the first meeting of the committee.