

**TURWESTON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON 14 January 2025**

**Present:** Cllrs H Howard, H Morrison, S Watts and P Fealey

**1. Apologies for absence**

To approve Cllrs Green and Pendleton's absence

**RESOLVED:** Approved

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Howard and Watts declared an interest in item 10.1

**RESOLVED:** Noted

**3. Minutes**

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 (previously circulated).

**RESOLVED:** To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

**4. Ward Councillor Report**

- Buckinghamshire Council are finalising the budget, the budget is balanced and the biggest cost is social care.
- Government have changed the VAT on private schools.
- District councils are becoming unitary councils.
- Elections are due in May.
- The application for the Turweston Road development is getting changed. Cllr Morrison to forward information to Clerk. Another consultation is expected.
- If Turweston Parish Council receive funds from A106, it would be advisable to consider what the village would spend the money on.

Cllr Fealey left the meeting

**5. Matters Arising from Minutes**

None

**6. To report on Planning**

6.1 Planning Applications report:

Turweston Road application was discussed in item 4.

**7. To receive a report on the HS2 Rail Link**

### 7.1 To report on HS2 road cleaning

- Road has now been of better cleanliness.
- The response from HS2 regarding the complaints on the road was duly noted.
- Hannah Brown has now taken over from Brenna Slade.
- HS2 have offered saplings, but it has been agreed that Turweston do not require these at the moment. Clerk to respond.

### 8. To report on the Playing Field

No reports on the play area.

- The trees in the front corner of the playing field need to be tidied up. Cllr Morrison to ask Giles.
- The boundary with the elm trees has been moved. Cllr Morrison to speak to home owner.

**Meeting with Playdale-** To defer to March meeting. Cllrs Howard, Pendleton and Watts to meeting Playdale on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

- Clerk to get 2 more quotes for new equipment.
- To consider presenting a proposal at the annual parish meeting.

### 9. To report on the Parish Roads/Paths/Verges

- The footpath to Brackley that floods, Cllr Fealey is chasing this up.
- The third lime tree on The Green is yet to be done due to nesting. This has been chased up.
- Verges are okay.
- During the litter pick- it is worth picking up sticks on The Green.

**RESOLVED:** Noted.

### 10. Accounts

#### 10.1 To approve the following payment(s):

Payee	Amount	Payment method	Details
Charmaine Jay	10.98	FPO	HPI Printer
HMRC	209.80	FPO	Tax
Village Hall	145.00	FPO	Annual Invoice

**RESOLVED:** To approve payments.

#### 10.2 To approve bank reconciliation to 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025

**RESOLVED:** Approved

#### 10.3 To consider budget for 2025-26

**RESOLVED:** Approved

#### 10.4 To approve precept for 2025-26

**RESOLVED:** Approved with the amendment for earmarked reserves from £5,000 to £12,000 for traffic calming and the remaining £37,000 for the play area.

### 11. To discuss dog waste bins

No update, defer to March meeting.

**RESOLVED:** Clerk to chase

**12. To consider a date for spring litter pick**

**RESOLVED:** 29<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 10am outside the church. Cllr Watts to put on facebook and clerk to send out in email.

**13. To review the clerk's salary**

The clerk is due back pay from 2023/2024 from pay rise increase. It works out to be £673.20 and to £15.08 per hour.

To review clerks salary in November meeting.

**RESOLVED: Approved.**

**14. To discuss the War Memorial**

There is uncertainty who is responsible for the war memorial. However, it needs a clean up. Will Morrison has offered to get some stone cleaner to tidy it up. The parish council are happy to offer a contribution for maintenance of the war memorial.

**15. Matters raised by Councillors**

To put in the March agenda:

- Outline of May elections
- Procedure of elections and what it entails.

**16. To confirm the date of the next meeting:** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2025

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