Teffont Parish Council

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting 16th November 2021 at 18:00

Those present:

Parish Councillors: E. Worth (Chair). T.Deane. James Aspden. P. Fisher. Councillor Fisher arrived late at 18:20. (No apologies were given).

Also in attendance: M. Honeybourne (Parish Clerk). Councillor Bridget Wayman. 2 members of the Public.

Councillor Johnson was allowed to attend via Zoom to present Agenda item 21.11.08.

Meeting convened: 18:00

Questions or Statements from the Public:

- Mrs MacEwan addressed the meeting with a query regarding HG
 Vehicles using her land to avoid other oncoming HGV's. Mrs MacEwan
 asked the Council what action they were going to take. Mrs MacEwan
 noted that Chilmark had successfully re-routed HGV's away from their
 village and she felt the problem had been pushed on to Teffont.
 Councillor Worth explained to Mrs MacEwan that the Council was
 Unable to respond directly but stated the matter is included in the
 Meeting agenda.
- Councillor Wayman stated access through Chilmark for HGV's had been a long-standing issue but it was not the case that the problem had been intentionally pushed onto Teffont. It was a logistical decision to avoid the narrow lanes and turns in Chilmark. The route for HGV traffic has been discussed at CATG meetings and by the Highways engineer, to find a suitable route for EHD that provides the most direct logical route. Councillor Wayman will review previous CATG meeting minutes and forward them to the Clerk

Report from Wiltshire Councillor Bridget Wayman:

- Councillor Wayman informed the Parish Council that prior to Council Elections in May 2021, Wiltshire Council had proposed to charge local Parish Councils for the cost of future elections. It was mooted the Parish Councils should consider increasing their Precept to cover this cost.
 Councillor Wayman was unable to indicate how much the cost might be but it would be prudent to consider doing so.
- Councillor Wayman informed the Council there would no changes to

	refuse and waste collections this Christmas because of the way the calendar falls this year. Garden waste collection will halt on the 24 th December and resume on the 10 th January 2022.
	Councillor Wayman advised looking at the website for Municipal Dump opening times over the peak period.
21.11.01	Resolution to receive apologies for absence.
	Parish Councillors resolved to accept the following apologies:
	Councillor Blamey (holiday leave). Councillor Graham (ill health). Councillor Johnson (Family matter).
	Proposed: JA Seconded: TD Resolved: Unanimous. The Parish Council resolved to accept the absence and apologies of Councilor's Johnson, Graham and Blamey.
	MEETING MINUTES
21.11.02	A. Declarations of Interest – any Parish Councillor wishing to declare interests should do so at this point:
	 declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests already declared in the Register of Interests –
	Councillor Aspen declared he is a member of the National Trust
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	 declarations of disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests not previously declared in the Register of Interests – None.
	B. <u>Dispensations</u> : None.
21.11.03	Resolution of Minutes:
	Full Meeting minutes of the 24th August 2021 and 5th October 2021 were resolved.
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21.11.06/

Finance Reports: The Chair asked the Clerk to move this item further down the agenda to allow Agenda item 21.11.08 to be heard.

STANDING ORDERS SUSPENDED – to allow Councillor Johnson to present the next agenda item via Zoom.

21.11.08 Proposed Tisbury Station regeneration works.

Councillor Johnson updated the Council on the proposed Tisbury station works development.

Councillor Johnson has been asked by The Access to Tisbury Group to ask Teffont Parish Council if they would join the support group in opposing the scale of the development and the access for the site.

The Tisbury action group and the Chicksgrove Road group both oppose the planning application. The action groups cover the villages of Ansty, Chilmark, Fonthill Bishop, Fovant, Hindon, Berwick St. Leonard and Swallowcliffe, and more.

Councillor Worth explained the focus is the detrimental impact on local roads and not whether there should a development.

Councillor Fisher late arrival 18:20

Councillor Worth invited the Councillors to comment individually. The Councillors considered the impact of traffic on routes directly affecting Teffont, driving from Tisbury, particularly the C24.

Councillor Wayman stated the Developer has submitted a transport plan to Wiltshire Planning for Tisbury. It includes a predicted number of traffic movements per day. Councillor Wayman stated Tisbury is a local service centre for local villages and the developer or Highways could be asked to submit a transport plan for all the local roads affected by this development. Currently there are too many unknowns and some sort of traffic modelling should be requested.

Councillor Worth explained The Access to Tisbury Group would like the support of Teffont Parish Council to add weight to their objection and demonstrate a united position for all local villages affected by this proposed development.

Councillor Wayman suggested the developer could mitigate the traffic pinch points by building layby's along the C24.

The Councillors were divided in their approach to this matter. Councillors Aspden, Deane wished not to join the action groups but to submit comments relevant to the impact on Teffont Roads. Councillor Worth wished to do both, join the group and submit TPC's own comments.

STANDING ORDERS REINSTATED.

Councillor Worth proposed joining the Access to Tisbury Group.

Proposed: EW Seconded: PF Not resolved.

Counter Proposal:

Councillor Deane proposed that independent comments are submitted to the planning authority and TPC share those comments with the Chicksgrove Road splinter group. TPC to request a traffic study for potential traffic flows on all Teffont access roads highlighting the pinch points along the C24 and the problems with HGV's bound for EHD, particularly at the junction of the C24 with the B3089. Proposals should include the building of layby's on the C24 to alleviate pinch points.

Proposed: TD **Seconded:** JA **Resolved.** Majority. Council resolved to submit independent comments to the planning authority and share those comments with the Chicksgrove Road splinter group. TPC request a traffic study for potential traffic flows on all Teffont access roads highlighting the pinch points along the C24 and the problems with HGV's bound for EHD, particularly at the junction of the C24 with the B3089. Proposals should include the building of layby's on the C24 to alleviate pinch points.

Councillor Wayman will submit her own comments to the Planning authority.

21.11.09 **HGV routes through Teffont.**

Councillor Worth proposed the Parish Council carry out an in-depth investigation into road safety on routes in Teffont affected by HGV's and the viability of alternative routes.

Councillor Worth stated that the Parish Council should continue to do as much as they can to find a solution to this problem.

Councillor Worth stated a full investigation into road safety and the viability of alternative routes was within the remit of the Parish Council

Councillor Deane offered, as a member of the Chartered Institute for Civil Engineering, to prepare a full and unbiased civil engineering report on the C24, to be submitted to Wiltshire Council via CATG for investigation works. The report will include photos, showing the use of laybys and common land as passing places and other appendices.

Councillor Worth thanked Councillor Deane for his offer.

Councillor Worth wished to recognise the hard work of Councillor Blamey on this issue.

Councillor Deane will work with Councillor Blamey on this matter.

Councillor Worth proposed a full investigation into HGV traffic, road safety and the viability of alternative routes, begin immediately.

Proposed: EW **Seconded:** JA **Resolved:** Teffont Parish Council resolved to conduct a full investigation into HGV traffic routes through Teffont, road safety and the viability of alternative routes.

The Clerk updated the Parish Council on a telephone conversation with Paul Shaddock, Highway's engineer for WCC. The Clerk stated a request for a traffic survey on the C24 had been submitted to WCC. The request had been for 3 locations along the C24, to measure the number, speed and weight of vehicles using this road. Mr Shaddock will investigate the possibility of 3 points along the road, subject to fixing points.

The Clerk discussed weight restrictions on C Class roads with Mr Shaddock. Mr Shaddock stated whilst possible, any sign would have a caveat for loading and unloading and access and could only be enforced by the police. Weight restriction signs are advisory only.

21.11.18 Chairs Report.- for information only.

The Chair read an email from the National Trust to the Council, regarding Dinton Park. Received 15th November 2021.

Recognising the amount of representations received from the public about Dinton Park, the NT have met with Historic England and Wiltshire Council, to share their plans. They received a written response from Historic England on 15th October 2021. All the relevant documents were consolidated and sent to the Central Investment Board for their quarterly meeting next week, to take into consideration. The NT awaits the Central Investment Boards decision on this matter. The NT will arrange to meet with Teffont Parish Chair and to speak directly with Dr. Murrison.MP to update him.

If agreed, the next steps will be for presentations to Parish Councils and drop in centres for the wider community.

Councillor Wayman informed the Parish Council that Dinton Parish Council are meeting with Philip Nieman on Monday 22nd November. Councillor Wayman will attend the meeting.

SSEN Update. Councillor Worth has received confirmation from SSEN that they will bury some the electricity cables on public land and will work with Teffont

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	Archaeology group on this project.
	Future consideration for the water meadows may be possible.
	Finance Reports.
07	The Clerk updated the Parish Council on the current bank balance against forecast.
	The accounts will be in deficit this quarter due to the felling of the tree on the Village Green.
	The Clerk will submit invoices to the PCC and Village Hall committee for their contribution the Village grass cutting.
	The Clerk will submit a VAT refund request.
	The Precept for 22/23 will be discussed at the next meeting on 4 th January 2021.
	The Clerk was asked to prepare a budget for 22/23 for the next meeting.
	Proposed: EW Seconded: JA Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to accept the accounts as a true and accurate record of the finances.
	Village Benches – restoration of old village benches.
	This item was deferred to 04.01.22. Concern was expressed on the expenditure this financial year.
21.11.11	Flood Warden. – Approve appointment of Flood Warden
	Councillor Aspden proposed to accept the appointment of Harry Button as Flood Warden for Teffont.
	Proposed: JA Seconded: TD Resolved: Teffont Parish Council resolved to accept the appointment of Harry Button as Flood Warden for Teffont.
21.11.12	Parish Steward. — Issues for the Parish Steward.
	The roadside grips have all been cleaned.
	The 20 mph signs have been repainted throughout the village.
	Councillor Blamey requested a £30 Christmas gift for the Parish Steward.
	Proposed: TD Seconded: EW Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to award the Parish Steward a Gift of £30 for his contribution to the village.
21.11.13	INFO update.
	Councillor Worth informed the meeting Annabel Webb was stepping down from her role as town crier. Mick Audus has very kindly agreed to take over the role.
	The Parish Council thank Annabel for all her work over the years.
21.11.14	Westlea Grass Cutting Scope for 22/23
	This item was deferred to the next meeting 04.01.22 as Councillor Johnson was unavailable to review the contract.
21.11.15	Skip Hire.
	This item was deferred to the next meeting 04.01.22 to assess if there is a requirement for this.
21.11.16	Adopt a Complaints Procedure.
	This item was deferred to the next meeting 04.01.22 as it was felt all Councillors should be present to review the policy.
21.11.19	Clerks Report.

	General Power of Competence and Powers and Duties of a Parish Council.
	This item was deferred to the next meeting 04.01.22 as it was felt all Councillors should be present to review the documents.
	The Clerk informed the Council she was reviewing all their policies and would issue them following review.
21.11.20	Other reports. – for information only
	Chronology of HGV traffic received by the Clerk.
21.11.21	Correspondence. – for information only
	Written statement from a village resident on HGV traffic using the C24, received by the Clerk.
21.11.22	Items for the next agenda.
	Precept setting for 22/23
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	Meeting Closed: 19:51