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Minutes of the Tilney St Lawrence Parish Council meeting held at on Monday 16th May 2011 in the Village Hall, Tilney St Lawrence at 7.50pm.

In attendance: Cllr D. Jones (in the Chair)
Cllr D. Calton, Cllr P. Cullen, Cllr J. Day, Cllr E. Hearn,
Cllr R. Jaggars, Cllr E. Jones, Cllr G. Place, Cllr A. Sapey &
Cllr R. Savage.

Clerk: Mrs M. Meyrick

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277. Apologies and reasons for absence.

- 277.1. Cllr B. Ayres – medical reasons.
- 277.2. Cllr C. Ayres – personal reasons.
- 277.3. Cllr C. Mills.
- 277.4. Cllr D. Appleby.
- 277.5. Cllr Hearn – will be arriving late.

278. Declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

278.1. Cllr Sapey declared a prejudicial interest on item 284.1, planning application **11/00604/F** - 38 Magdalen Road as he is a neighbour of the applicant and refrained from taking part in the discussion.

278.2. Cllr Place declared a prejudicial interest on item 284.1, planning application **11/00625/CU** - 37 School Road as he is Chairman of the Village Hall committee and refrained from taking part in the discussion.

278.3. Cllr Hearn declared a personal interest on item 284.1, planning application **11/00625/CU** - 37 School Road as she is friend of the person who runs the play group at the village hall.

279. Minutes of 4th April 2011.

279.1. The minutes of the 4th April 2011 were agreed and signed as a true record by the Vice-Chairman.

There was no public session as there was no public in attendance.

280. Police Matters

281.1. In the last month the crime statistics show there has been 2 crimes reported in Tilney St Lawrence. One was for burglary of dwelling with intent and one other burglary. In Tilney cum Islington there was 1 reported for criminal damage to dwelling.

281.2. It was reported that Roger Warnes lorries are traveling through the village of Tilney cum Islington when there is a weight restriction on the road. They are using it as a short cut; there were 18 lorries that went through the village in 1 hour. A letter was delivered to the

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Terrington St John police station giving these details; a copy was given to the clerk as a record.

It was agreed for Cllr D. Jones to follow this up with the police at the next SNAP meeting that is due on Friday.

281. Reports.

281.1. Chairman's Correspondence

a) A complaint has been by the Cllr B. Ayres from a resident concerning vehicles parking on the pavement, playing of loud music and speeding vehicles in the village. Speed checks will take place by PCSO's as and when resources allow. PCSO's do not have the power to enforce speeding; they have to have a police officer present. It was reported that speeding is particularly bad outside the hairdressers in Magdalen Road and School Road. Cllr Place reported that Church Road is also very bad for speeding. Cllr D. Jones will report these areas to the police at the next meeting he attends with them.

b) An invitation to attend the Mayor's Civic Service on Sunday 22nd May was sent to the Chairman. He is not able to attend, Councillors were given the opportunity to attend on the Council's behalf.

c) A letter was sent to the Chairman from the National Grid concerning the works to the overhead power lines that is taking place.

282.2. Footway Lighting Reports – It was reported that the light outside 46 Magdalen Road is flickering.

282.3. Footpath & Tree Reports – This is a follow up report on the proposed footpath diversion that the Parish Council, the landowner and Norfolk County Council are happy with. The Council has previously agreed to donate £500 to the landowner's costs to do this. Subsequently Norfolk County Council has been notified that an objection could be forthcoming. There is a meeting to take place on the last Saturday in May with Mr Newlan who is the local agent for the objector, Norfolk County Council and Cllr Appleby. Cllr Appleby will be able to give a report at the next meeting but everything is on hold until the site meeting takes place.

282.4. Village Hall Report

a) Over the last few months village halls have been burnt down by vandals. Because of this an assessment has been carried out on the village hall in Tilney looking at the vulnerable areas which is the back of the hall. The option to deal with this is to raise the height of the fence which will cost £1500. The Village Hall committee requested that Council consider approval of half of their grant is set aside for the cost of extending the fencing. Cllr Sapey proposed and Cllr Calton seconded to approve this request.

It was unanimously agreed for the Village Hall Committee's grant is set aside to pay for the extended fencing to the rear of the village hall.

b) A copy of the TSLVC accounts for year ending 31st March was presented to the Council.

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282.5. William Day Centre Report – A recent raffle raised £100 and was donated to a diabetes charity.

282.6. Highway Matters

a) Cllr Jagers reported that he and the Clerk met regarding various items of rubbish that has been dumped near the old road by the A47 flyover. This was reported to the Borough Council who said that the area in question was too far off the highway and not their responsibility. The Clerk took photographs and requested the Borough re-look at the area in question. As there is diversions in place on that particular stretch of road at the moment Cllr Jagers is unable to see if they rubbish has been cleared.

b) A complaint from a parishioner concerning a big dip which is caused by a sinking sewer connection outside 29 Magdalen Road has been received. This will be reported to the local highways officer.

c) The verge along the footpath from the Buck Inn to the Church is overgrown.

d) There are overgrown hedges on the approach on left side as you approach the bend on Church Road near the Church.

e) It was reported that the Highways representative has been replaced recently but the Council do not know who that is at the moment. There should be a team of Highway Rangers who come into the parish on a regular basis to carry out repairs/maintenance. Normally the Clerk is e-mailed asking if there are any particular jobs that need to be done. The Clerk will find out when the Highway Rangers are next due to come to the parish, she will e-mail details of the jobs they carry out and bring hard copies to the next meeting.

282.7. CCTV – The maintenance of the CCTV was briefly discussed.

It was agreed to place this item on the next agenda for discussion.

283. Finance

283.1. Payments since last meeting.

Accounts for payment May 2011						
NO	Name	Chq No	Description	Net	VAT	Total
27	Mrs M Meyrick	614	Salary	172.48	0	172.48
28	Mrs M Meyrick	614	Expenses	35.14	0	35.14
29	MHB Services	S/O	Street Light Maintenance	101.91	20.38	122.29
30	E-ON	DD	Street Light Electric April	105.27	21.05	126.32
31	E-ON	DD	Street Light Electric May	140.13	28.03	168.16
32	Came & Co	615	Insurance Premium	851.92	0	851.92
	Total			1406.85	69.46	1476.31

The accounts for May were agreed as listed

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283.2. A copy of the year end accounts was given to each councillor present. The approval of the accounts will be put on the next agenda for approval together with the internal auditors report.

283.3. Details of a consultation regarding the Future of Audit. This is a consultation that has come through Norfolk ALC. The Secretary of State for Communities & Local Government has announced plans to disband the Audit Commission. They propose the councils with an income & expenditure between £1000 and £6.5 would be subject to an independent examination rather than a full audit. There are two options to be considered which are: -

1. Should the company who is carrying out the external audit be appointed by a District, County or Unitary Authority following national guidelines?
2. Should parish and town councils be able to choose their own external auditor?

It was agreed that option 1 should be put forward as the Council believes the external auditor should be chosen by an independent body.

283.3. Consideration was given to the membership of the Norfolk Playing Field Association at a cost of £25.

It was agreed not to join the NPFA as the Village Hall Committee are already members.

284. Planning

284.1. To receive planning applications.

Cllr Savage left the meeting during the discussion of planning application 11/00604/F

<p>11/00625/CU - Change of use of existing two storey annex to preschool nursery/day-care unit for up to 15 under age 5 children - 37 School Road.</p> <p>Cllr Place left the meeting while this planning application was being discussed.</p> <p>Cllr D Jones reported that Mr Dover who is the applicant approached him to ask his support to this application. Cllr Jones informed him that a decision could not be made until the application came in and was put before the Parish Council.</p> <p>A lengthy discussion took place for this application and it was agreed NOT TO SUPPORT on the following grounds: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proximity to neighbouring properties • Detrimental to the street scene with the car park & turning area in front of the property. • Increase traffic problems in a residential area. • Turning a residential area into a commercial aspect. • Close proximity to the school would increase problems of parking & amount of traffic in area. 	<p>11/00604/F - Demolition of former British Legion Hall. Construction of two storey four bed detached dwelling with new vehicular access - 38 Magdalen Road</p> <p>Cllr Sapey left the meeting while this planning application was being discussed.</p> <p>It was agreed TO SUPPORT this application as it would improve the street scene.</p>
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11/00699/F - Single storey rear extension to bungalow
- 19B Westfields

It was agreed **TO SUPPORT** this application

11/00534/OM - Outline Application: erection of care
home and warden controlled residential
accommodation - KGB Transport 44 St Johns Road

It was agreed **TO SUPPORT** this application

284.2. Late planning applications.

11/00715/F - Extension and brick outer skin leaf to existing dwelling - 61 St Johns Road

It was agreed **TO SUPPORT** this application

284.3. Planning decisions

11/00059/F – Planning permission granted –
Division of dwelling back to original layout of 2
no units – Tapp Row, 4 Church Road.

Late Planning Decision
11/00068/F – Garden Shed & Summer
House – Whitehall Farm, High Road, TCI.

284.4. Update regarding Magdalen Road planning enforcement. The planning enforcement officer has met with the owners of the site and they wish to continue with the siting of 2 caravans/mobile homes on the land. The owners do intend to intensify the use of the land and have been advised that the hard standing area requires planning permission and a retrospective application is expected.

288. Noticeboard for Tilney cum Islington.

288.1. There used to be a noticeboard attached to the bus stop in Tilney cum Islington until it got vandalised. The idea to place one next to the village sign was put forward; there is already permission to place a bench in this location. Cllr Calton and Cllr Jagers will find out what size and the type of bench required.

It was agreed to place a noticeboard next to the bench and village sign in Tilney cum Islington subject to a street licence being obtained from Highways.

289. Quality Council Status.

289.1. It was agreed to put this on the next agenda for discussion.

290. General correspondence.

290.1. Copies of the Norfolk Link Extra newsletter from Norfolk ALC were received and circulated to Councillors.

290.2. Details of Summer Seminar that is organised jointly by Norfolk ALC & Norfolk SLCC were received.

It was agreed for the Clerk to attend this one day Summer Seminar on the 28th June.

290.3. Details of the Executive Committee election for Norfolk ALC were received. There were no nominations from the Parish Council put forward.

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290.4. Details of the Initial Training for Councillors and Clerks from Norfolk ALC were received. Cllr Hearn and Cllr Place expressed interest in attending; the clerk will e-mail the dates of the training events to both councillors.

290.5. Correspondence from nplaw regarding Legal Services that they offer was received.

290.6. A copy of Clerks & Councils Direct newsletter was received.

290.7. An invitation from Creative Arts East to a Rural Cinema Scheme showing in Castle Acre on the 24th May was received.

291. Borough Council of KL & WN issues.

291.1. There was no late correspondence

292. Norfolk County Council issues.

292.1. Details of traffic orders relating to temporary road closures were received.

292.2. The Street Furniture Licence application for the bench to be placed next to the village sign in Tilney cum Islington has been approved.

293. Date of next meeting

293.1. The next meeting will be on the 6th June 2011.

293.2. Cllr Place gave apologies for the next meeting – on holiday.

293.3. Cllr Hearn gave advance notice of being late for the next meeting – work commitments.

293.4. It was requested to place the issue of postal deliveries on the next agenda.

Meeting closed at 9.42 p.m.

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