

TINTINHULL PARISH COUNCIL

MILLENNIUM TREE

Unfortunately, the Millennium Tree was damaged in a storm last month and it had to be felled. The trunk is kept in one piece and once dried out, sections of the trunk can be used for carving objects for mementoes. A section will be carved into an ornament for the Village Hall. The Council will be looking at replacing the tree on the Village Green but in a different location so it is not so close to the Village Hall. The Millennium Tree was going to be used to hang new Christmas Lights but obviously, this cannot happen now. However, some people have come forward with possible Christmas solutions so watch the space on the Village Green!

VILLAGE HALL – AGM

Cllr Geoff Stone (Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee) reported that the current TVHMC got together after the AGM late September 2017. The Management Committee took charge of the day to day management of the Hall on 28th December last year. The Coffee Shop opened on 10th January currently running a trial of five day opening however Saturday opening trial was not well received. As part of the Lottery grant who made a sizable grant and an interest from SSDC who made a significant grant towards the new hall, there were four Key Performance Indicators to achieve which would indicate the success of the Hall post occupation. These indicators have mostly been met.

Cllr Stone thanked the members of the VHMC and the previous and present Coffee Managers for their hard work and dedication.

Cllr Toby Banks reported on the present Village Hall hiring, Cllr Alex Perham gave a report on the Coffee Shop facts & figures and Dave Dalton (VHMC Treasurer) gave a Financial Report.

Cllr Stone reported that the Trust Deed states the Hall Committee comprises of two to four Parish Councillors, up to ten User Groups and up to four volunteers. The Parish Council as Sole Trustees appointed Councillors Geoff Stone, Toby Banks and Alex Perham as representatives to the Charity Trust and reviewed the list of User Groups at a Trustee's Meeting on 15th October. The User Groups are Drama Group, Garden Club, Local History Group Motiv8 , Parochial Church Council, Phoenix Ladies, Pilates, St Margarets School Parent Teachers Association and Tintinhull Tiny Tots. The four Volunteers are Mick Cassidy, David Dalton, Clive Barker, Julia Rogers

Questions from the meeting were then answered. The presentation slides are on the PC's web site www.tintinhull.net which can be found on the Home page

PARISH PATHS CONSULTATION

Somerset has one of the longest public rights of way networks in the country and it is similar to the length of the road network in Somerset. Maintaining such a lengthy network with limited resources is challenging, but with the help of several hundred volunteers across the County we continue to ensure that over 80% of the path network is open and easy to use. To make sure we can continue to secure best value in service delivery, Somerset County Council's Rights of Way team would like to review Path Categories & Vegetation Clearance schedule.

The consultation is not open to the general public although parishioners can have their say through the Town/Parish Councils. All Town/Parish Clerks have been sent a copy of the present path categories and timings schedule. If you would like a copy, please email the Clerk. The consultation deadline is 31st January 2019

DATE OF THE SCHEDULED MEETINGS FOR 2018/19

17.12.18	21.1.19	18.2.19	18.3.19	15.4.19
20.5.18				

Parish Council meetings will start at 7.30pm but if there is a meeting of the Village Hall Charity Trust, the Parish Council meeting will start at around 7.45pm-8.00pm. Any meeting of the Village Hall Trust will start at 7.30pm and these meetings will now be called if required. Venue for both meetings is the Village Hall meeting room. There is an opportunity on the Agenda for the public to make comments or ask questions at both meetings.

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The Council would like to wish all the parishioners a happy Christmas and a healthy New Year

