

**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF
KEMPSEY PARISH COUNCIL ON TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2014
AT 7.30 PM. AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: - Cllr Stevens, Cllr. Blackwell, Cllr. Bowley, Cllr. Bannister (arrived 7.55pm) and Cllr Smith.

IN ATTENDANCE: - No members of The Public

1. Apologies: Cllr Bannister had advised the Clerk he would arrive late due to work commitments
2. Declaration of Interests:
 1. Register of Interests: Councillors were reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
 2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI): None.
 3. Other Disclosable Interests (ODI): None

No Public Question Time.

3. Having been previously circulated, the minutes of 29.07.14 were signed as a true and correct record.

4. Following a meeting on 12th August 2014 with the Environment Agency it was established the operating levels of the flood defence could not be adjusted. The Committee agreed to seek further advice from The Environment Agency in how to protect the footpath in the Rocky with damage caused as a result of flooding.

Action by

Cllr
Blackwell

5. The Committee agreed a proposal is to be presented to The Council to seek quotations and complete works up to £1000 in value to address required tree as highlighted in the Arboriculture Survey and Tree Hazard Assessment Report. (Two trees identified as medium risk level 3 and the remainder of trees identified at level 2 low risk.)

Cllr Stevens/
Cllr Bowley

The specification for the works will request that all brush is removed from site but that logs are cut and left on site for collection by Parishioners, with a notice placed on our boards to inform that they are free for collection.

Cllr Bowley agreed to liaise with Fountains concerning the tree adjacent to the power lines in The Rocky.

Cllr Stevens
Cllr Smith
Cllr
Bannister

6. Cllr Stevens and Cllr Smith are to re-assess the Fish Pass looking at the element of risk and the need for fencing following advice obtained from the insurers.

Cllr Stevens

Cllr Bannister is to pursue obtaining quotation to fence the fish pass.

Cllr Stevens

7. The signage for the Rocky is in progress.

8. Cllr Blackwell had measured up the current Parish Council logo on the noticeboards. Cllr Stevens to pursue design for a new logo .

Clerk

9. Discussions took place about employing the services of an Assistant Lengthsman. Clerk to liaise with Roy Clarke to try and establish what duties this role may involve. It is anticipated that a proposal is to be presented to Council in October 2014.

Cllr Smith

10. Cllr Smith advised she had five interested volunteers who were prepared to walk the footpaths but no specific individual who wanted to take on the role as a Parish Path Warden. She will contact Tracy Sutton and invite her to the next Committee Meeting along with the volunteers to seek advice.

Clerk
Cllr Stevens

11. The Committee reviewed and updated the section of the asset register which related to the Environment Committee. It was agreed to dispose of the flag and flag pole with immediate effect.

Action By

Cllr
Blackwell
Cllr Stevens

12. A discussion took place for a request of an additional rubbish/dog bin near the entrance to the alleyway to the ham on Windmill Lane.
Cllr Blackwell is to approach MHDC to enquire if they would be willing to empty it in the first instance prior to any decision being made.
Cllr Stevens to send a map identifying the bin locations to The Parish Office.

Meeting Closed 8.47 pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

Signed Chairman Date

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