



**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 11th APRIL 2016 AT 7.30 PM.
AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: - Cllr Geens (Chairman), Cllr Bevan, Cllr Frazer-Cann, Cllr Pugh, Cllr Hanmer, Cllr Michael, Cllr Patrick, Cllr Smith and Cllr Gerrard

IN ATTENDANCE: -

Mr M Biddle – Chairman of NDP, County Councillor Sutton, District Councillors Harrison & Michael plus 6 members of the public.

1. Apologies: - Councillors Blackwell and Hodgkins - (Personal) Cllr Bannister (Work) - accepted
County Cllr Sutton and District Cllr Harrison will be departing at approximately 8.15pm.
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
3. To Consider Written Requests from Councillors' for the Council to Grant a Dispensation (S33 of The Localism Act 2011): None

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes

4. Minutes: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of The Parish Council Meeting of 14.03.16 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.
5. Correspondence for Information:
 1. Letter received from Mr. Bowley 22.03.16 – NDP – Council Meeting 23.02.16
 2. Correspondence from ICO seeking advice re: FOI Requests /Youth Centre – Mr. Bowley
 3. Request from Gareth Pimblett – Parking 129 Main Road – This request was **REFUSED** due to access infringements and security issues. It was felt this would set a precedent as previous requests had been refused. However the Parish Council would like to support the residents by writing to Fortis Housing to request a formal hard standing area for more vehicles to park on Windmill Lane, to help alleviate parking problems.
6.
 1. Neighbourhood Watch – No Crime Alert Information to report
 2. County Councillor's Report – Cllr R Sutton – The report was noted.
 3. District Councillor's Reports – Cllrs Harrison/Michael – The reports were noted.
 4. Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Update – Cllr Smith/Mr. Biddle - The reports were noted.
7. Committee Report Updates and Proposals
 1. Environment: Cllr Smith
The contractor has been appointed to tidy up two areas identified along the Main Road. This is an ongoing project.
It was reported a parishioner had tripped on the path in the Rocky.
 2. Commons and Hams: Cllr Pugh
Work has been partially carried out on Normoor Common.
Liaising with Rob Harvard (Natural England) concerning grazing on Ashmoor Common
Cllr Michael confirmed he has been chasing MHDC Legal Department concerning Commons byelaws regarding horses.

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| <p>3. Recreation: Cllr Frazer-Cann</p> <p>a. The contractor started to repair the Sports Pavilion Roof where it was discovered the work was more extensive than originally quoted for. The Parish Council will only be invoiced for work undertaken and will then seek further quotes for more extensive repair works.</p> <p>b. Repairs to straighten one of the football stop net posts is due to be carried out on 20.04.16</p> <p>c. Minutes from the KSA meeting have been circulated. They have been advised not to deposit their grass cuttings behind the Youth Centre building. It was confirmed that KSA have previously agreed are to purchase their own junior pads for the defibrillator.</p> <p>d. Playsafety Inspection report 2016 – Nothing significant to report.- Low Risk</p> | Cllr F-Cann |
| <p>4. Community Centre: Cllr Bevan</p> <p>Guttering has been fixed above the gents toilets. A leaking window frame has been re- sealed to the Hair Gallery. In the process of obtaining electricity quotes.</p> | |
| <p>5. Planning: Cllr Patrick – Meeting of 08.04.16 was inquorate. Planning conditions at 1 Hillside have been breached and reported to MHDC and an Enforcement file has been opened. Cllr Patrick is pursuing drafting a letter to the CEO of Fortis Housing concerning a picket fence which has been erected at the top of Windmill Lane. Cllr Michael reported a breach in Planning Conditions on the Linden Homes site where hedges had been cut back to erect a fence during the bird nesting seson..</p> | Cllr Patrick |
| <p>6. Finance & General Purposes: Cllr Geens – Nothing to report</p> | |
| <p>7. Staffing Committee: Cllr Geens – Nothing to report</p> | |
| <p>8. Chairman’s Report: Cllr Geens Requested all Committee Chairman submit their reports for the Annual Report 2015/16 as soon as possible. PC Sarah Ransome-Williams is on a six month secondment to other duties.</p> | All Committee Chairman |
| <p>8. Finance</p> <p>1. Payment of accounts as per schedule were authorized</p> <p>2. Bank Reconciliation Statement Balance – For Information Only</p> <p>3. Update on NDP Expenditure – For Information Only</p> | |
| <p>9. Update on Queen’s Birthday Beacon Celebrations - Cllr Geens The beacon has been tested. Cllrs were very impressed with this superb piece of equipment. A task list has been devised and actions carried out to include: - the event has been registered, progressing with notifying all emergency services, catering facilities, fire extinguishers, letters issued to horse owner and commoners. Seeking volunteers to help with marshalling the car park at the Farmers Arms prior to Beacon being lit. RESOLVED:- To engage St. John’s Ambulance at a cost of £73.60 RESOLVED:- To supply toilet facilities from Prestige Services at a cost of £180.00 RESOLVED:- To hire two dry powder fire extinguishers from A&E Fire Equipment Ltd at a total cost of £17.00</p> | Cllr Geens Clerk Cllr Geens |
| <p>10. As yet unable to secure a Guest Speaker for the Annual Parish Meeting. We will keep trying but this may not materialize. Open to suggestions from the public please.</p> | |
| <p>11. FLAG Money</p> <p>a. Further discussions took place regarding purchasing a defibrillator to be housed at the Community Centre part funded by FLAG and maintained by the Parish Council. Cllr Geens confirmed various price options had been obtained and the device identical to the one we already own is one of the cheaper options.</p> <p>b. RESOLVED:- To purchase a fully automatic defibrillator at a cost of £878.00 from Andrew Deptford Ltd.</p> | Cllr Geens/ Clerk |
| <p>12. Progress Update on the Community Youth Centre Cllr Geens confirmed the Agreement between Kempsey Parish Council and the remaining trustees, Joy Clee and Roy Clarke has been circulated to all Councillors to help determine the decisions below.</p> <p>1. RESOLVED : To acquire Kempsey Community Youth Centre at a cost of £100</p> <p>2. RESOLVED : To purchase contents of Kempsey Community Youth Centre at a value of £500</p> | Clerk Clerk |

- 13. **ITEM DEFERRED** – To agree upon a date to hold an EOM to discuss the findings of The Investigative Panel.

Meeting Closed at 9.13 pm
Sharon Baxter
Clerk

Signed.....Chairman.....Date

Standing Orders were adjourned for Public Question Time

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr T Ward – Post Office Lane

Commented on a very successful litter pick despite diminished number of people. A record amount of rubbish/litter had been collected which was quite frightening. Thanks were expressed to MHDC who collected this before 9.30 am the next morning.

A request has been submitted to MHDC for litter on Brookend Lane to be picked.

It was also noted the large quantities of litter along the Main Road adjacent Taylor-Wimpey and Linden Homes sites and it may be helpful to contact the builders to bring to their attention, to try and alleviate the problem.

Mr Ward also suggested the introduction of 'Welcome Packs' for new residents to the area. Wychavon District Council operate a scheme where £40K was made available. Can MHDC match this generosity?

Mrs J Clee – Brookend Lane

Confirmed there is much excitement throughout the village concerning the Lighting of The Beacon to take place on Thursday 21st April 2016 at 8.30pm on Kempsey Common.

Mr M Biddle – Brookside

Delighted with improved buse that s run via Kempsey into Worcester on a half hourly basis. Also, an hourly service has been introduced on a Saturday to run from 7am to 7pm.

Standing Orders were reimposed

County Councillor – R Sutton

1. Buses – Improvement to services in Kempsey
2. Road Surface – The road through Kerswell Green is due to be surfaced dressed shortly.
3. An email complaint concerning litter along the Severn Way has been referred to Countryside Services
4. Issues concerning flooding along the A38 have been resolved. The drains were jetted and blockages detected. Cllr Geens expressed his appreciation to Cllr Hanmer in helping to explore the drainage system and having the chamber covers lifted.
5. The pavement along the A38 from the Community Centre heading towards the Ketch Island is due to be sided out this year.

Questions/Comments

Cllr Harrison highlighted there were problems with blocked drains/gullies from Florence Close to the Talbot Inn, following rain today.

He thanked Cllr Sutton is securing the bollards located opposite the shop.

Cllr Smith confirmed further bollards are to be installed outside the shop subject to adequate space for mobility scooters/prams to pass by.

District Councillors – D Harrison/J Michael

Cllr Harrison reported that Worcestershire politician Tom Wells had been air lifted to hospital after being burnt in a bonfire accident. Thoughts and wishes are with him for a speedy recovery.

Garden Waste welcome packs and bins have been delivered to new residents on Lioncourt.

Highlighted a problem with the refuse collector trying to collect rubbish from Hillside due to a vehicle parked on the side of the road restricting access. A request was made to County Cllr Sutton to progress access issues with Fortis Housing .

Cllr Michael reported there is a seminar on Monday 25 April 2016 in the Council Chamber at Worcestershire County Council's offices from 5:00pm to 7:00pm to discuss South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP) to discuss Community Infrastructure Levy – Draft Charging Schedule (DCS) and Revised Draft Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Neighbourhood Development Plan Update

Mr Biddle confirmed the NDP is currently out for public consultation. Comments from the consultation are in the process of being collated.

He outlined a timetable of events:-

KPC to submit the final draft to MHDC

MHDC – 6 week consultation Jun/July

MHDC – To appoint an Inspector

Examination to take 3 months

Referendum to take place end of this year.

Cllr Smith confirmed she is to carry out a further presentation to the WI next week. She encouraged all parishioners to comment by 30th April 2016.

Comments

Cllr Patrick expressed her disappointment in the number of Councillors that failed to attend the NDP Public Consultation – 'Conspicuous by their absence'.