

**MINUTES OF THE COMMONS AND HAMS COMMITTEE MEETING OF
KEMPSEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY 28th JANUARY 2013 AT 20.45 p.m.
AT KEMPSEY COMMUNITY CENTRE**

PRESENT: - Cllr Bannister (in the Chair), Cllr Campbell, Cllr Rea, Cllr Martin & Cllr Michael

1. Apologies for Absence: None
2. Declaration of Interest 1. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests 2. Other Disclosable Interests:
Cllr Martin declared an interest on Kempsey Common and Ashmoor Common holding commons rights.
3. To Consider Written Requests from Councillors for the Council to Grant a Dispensation: None received.

<p>The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time, notes of which are appended to these minutes</p>
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4. The minutes of the meeting held on 17th December 2012 having been previously circulated were signed as a true and correct record.
5. **Proposals for Ashmoor Common:** Further investigation had been carried out regarding purchasing some livestock as a sustainable means of managing growth on Ashmoor Common. Costings as indicated:

Purchase Costs

1. £300 for each cow (x6) = £3.000
2. Transport Cost to Ashmoor Common £50

After Purchase Costs

1. Insurance cost 12 months £225
2. Fluking 6 cattle once a year £80
3. TB testing for sale at market £150
4. Transport costs to market £50
Annual Government TB Testing is free
Total cost for 1 year £3.555

Concerns were expressed over stock management and relying upon goodwill gestures. It was felt Legal advice should be obtained and a more formal approach taken.
A formal proposal be presented at Full Parish Council Meeting in February 2013

6. Proposals for Kempsey Common: A map was circulated identifying the areas that required gorse/scrub removal. The Committee agreed to review the situation in August 2013, before proceeding with any works, in the hope that the ground conditions would improve.
7. Councillors Responsibilities: Cllr Martin agreed to oversee Stonehall Common and Kerswell Green Common.

8. Correspondence

1. Letter from David Morris – Clerk to address concerns raised in this letter
2. Barpax Associates Ltd – Clerk to seek Legal Advice to identify responsibility.

Meeting Closed 9.55pm

Sharon Baxter

Clerk

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Ann Patrick – 90 Main Road

Would like to apologise to Mr Morris concerning an item of correspondence which should have been communicated at full council in the first instance.