

Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council Ordinary Meeting OM 01/14  
held at 7.30pm on Monday 27 January 2014 in the Village Club



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Prior to the meeting there was a presentation from the Hampshire Police and Crime Commission, Simon Hayes. Mr Hayes outlined his plan for 2013 – 2017 and specifically advised on his plans for the future of Rural Policing. After his presentation he engaged the public in a Q & A session. Appendix 1 attached.

<b>OM 01/14</b>	<b>Present:</b> Cllrs. Adams; Bond; Cruickshank; Denness; Farey; Peach; Savin; Sawyer; B Cllrs: Osselton & Sherlock C Cllr Chapman, Clerk: S Thompson; 2 members of the press; 27 Members of the Public:	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>01/14.1</b>	<b>Apologies:</b> Y deSavigny – Minutes Secretary	
<b>01/14.2</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest:</b> None	
<b>01/14.3</b>	<b>Minutes:</b> 3.1: The Minutes of the OM Meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> November 2013 were signed and accepted as a true record. 3.2: The Minutes of the GP Meeting held on 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2014 were signed and accepted as a true record.	
<b>01/14.4</b>	<b>Matters arising:</b> 4.1: OM 10/13.10.ii – Missing bollards in Swan Street still waiting replacement. CO assured we are on the list to be done.	
<b>01/14.5</b>	<b>Future of village library:</b> i. Cllr Bond thanked Mr Woodman for inviting her to a meeting on the future of Kingsclere Library. HCC advised they are considering closing Kingsclere library along with two others in Hampshire as user figures are low. Two alternatives were tabled. 1: Group of volunteers to run the library. 2: A weekly visit from a mobile library. No decision has been taken yet. A group of residents has formed itself into a group to look at the options and costs. <b>Standing Orders were suspended:</b> to allow County Cllr Keith Chapman, who has responsibility for the library's in Hampshire to give a report. He advised that £93m across all services have to be found. His budget has been cut by 12%. Three libraries in Hampshire were considered to be under-used and he is looking at alternatives. A 90 day consultation is ongoing and he will be happy to hear from anyone on this subject. Full report at Appendix 2.	
<b>01/14.6</b>	<b>Return to Standing Orders:</b> <b>Defibrillator:</b> Funds have been secured to purchase a defibrillator which will be sited at The Fire Station. Clerk & Cllr Bond to meet with SCAS on 28.1.14 to discuss installation and training of volunteer. Thanks were given to Cllr Chapman; Four Lanes Trust & an Anonymous Kingsclere donor, for the funding.	<b>JB/Clerk</b>
<b>01/14.7</b>	<b>HCC "Working Together" Meeting:</b> Cllr Adams attended a meeting on 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2014 to discuss Flood Risk Management; Community Infrastructure Levy & Highway Services. A report in brief has been circulated to all Councillors.	
<b>01/14.8</b>	<b>Community Infrastructure Levy:</b> This consultation document has been circulated to all Councillors but it was felt KPC are unable to comment at this time. BDBC had engaged Consultants to write this document and we do not have the expertise to question their findings. Cllr Osselton to ask a BDBC Officer, Mark Lambert, to come and explain the document in more detail in order that we can consider an informed response.	<b>CO</b>
<b>01/14.9</b>	<b>Chairman's Remarks:</b> i. Yvonne deSavigny has been appointed as an Assistant Clerk to work primarily as Minutes Secretary. ii. WW1 Commemorations – Fiona Sawyer is leading a team to co-ordinate our commemorations in Kingsclere. iii. A Vacancy for a Parish Councillor Exists anyone interested in this position should speak to the Chairman, Clerk or any of the Councillors.	
<b>01/14.10</b>	<b>Update on Neighbourhood Plan:</b> Cllr Adams reported on the progress of the NP Group. She briefly outlined the results of the Questionnaire; the work of the Development sub-group and the Traffic sub-group. All related documents and reports are on the website. Due to the intensity of the work, the scopes and objectives of the Plan have been	



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scaled down to concentrate on issues that were highlighted in the Questionnaire as being most important to residents in Kingsclere. Next stage is to engage a professional consultant using the NP Grant, to assess suitability of the 10 sites identified by the Development sub-group for possible housing.

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**County Councillors Remarks:**

- i. There is to be a consultation on faster Broadband on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014.
- ii. There is to be a seminar on the maintenance of footpaths in Hampshire.
- iii. His budget of £100k for grants on WW1 commemorations events has all been allocated. Several events are planned. 2014 also sees the 200 Anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo and the 800 Anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carter which will have particular links to Kingsclere.

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**Borough Councillors' Remarks:**

- i. There have been two on site meetings to try and identify and resolve the problems with water leaking from Fox's Lane onto Newbury Road. Results due within next two weeks.
- ii CO will bring details on Speed Watch results to KPC.

CO/DS

CO

**Recess proposed & approved at 8:40 Standing Orders Suspended:**

- i. Whilst water leaks at Fox's Lane are being looked into nothing is being done about the severe problems with standing water at the end of Swan Street. *KPC will chase this up with Highways*
- ii. It is rumoured that The Crown lease is up for sale again – is there any truth in this. *KPC is not aware of any changes, but would not be involved. It would be a private matter.*
- iii. Library – would HCC pay for the Mobile Unit of that is what the future is – *It is our understanding at this time that they would.*
- iv. Library – would a volunteer group have to raise all operating costs? *It is our understanding that they would. HCC would provide and manage the change over of stocks only.*

Clerk

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**Out of Recess at 8.50**

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**Rolling List:**

No OM Items –

- i. Cemetery Safe Path – Licence has been signed by KPC and returned to B&DBC for their signatures and issuing process.
- ii WW1 Commemorations – dealt with under items OM 14/ & OM 14/11

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**Planning Applications:**

**14/00041/RET** – Barton House, 36 George Street – *No objection*

**13/02789/HSE** – 7 Basingstoke Road - *No objection*

**14/00020/LBC** – 33 George Street - *No objection*

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**Clerks Report:**

- i. Expenditure of £30 for Minute Secretary course ratified.
- ii. Expenditure for Clerk to attend BDO course at £30 approved.

Clerk

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**Approval of Income and Expenditure:**

Monthly Accounts approved and signed off

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**Date of Next Ordinary Meeting:**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 7:30 in The Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:20 pm

Signed:.....  
Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....  
Parish Clerk

Date:.....