



Minutes of Kingsclere Parish Council Ordinary Meeting OM 02/18
held at 7.30pm on Monday 26th February 201 in the Village Club

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ACTION

- OM 02/18** **Present:** Cllrs: Adams; Bowes; Farey; Peach N; Peach R; Price.
- 02/18.1** **Apologies:** Cllrs: Mussett; Sawyer F; Sawyer J.
- 02/18.2** **Declarations of Interest:** 02/18.15.2 Cllrs Bowes and Farey – Trustees for KCA
- 02/18.3** **Minutes:**
3.1 Minutes of Ordinary Meeting 29th January 2018 were accepted and signed.
3.2 Minutes of General Purposes Meeting 12th February 2018 were accepted and signed.
- 02/18.4** **Matters arising:** 01/18.12 – Catholic Church Conversion – Our letter dated 8th February 2018 has not yet been acknowledged by BDBC. Any complaints to the Ombudsman need to be made within 12 months, there is a form online but also a helpline. SA to contact the helpline for further advice. SA
- 02/18.5** **Chairman's Remarks:** There are still problems with the WMT Method Statement and the Surveyor approved for the grant. Clerk continues to liaise with the WMT. It is still hoped that the repairs will be completed by November 2018
- 02/18.6** **Consultation - Proposals for the creation of a Major Road Network:** It is noted that the A339 is included on the map even though it is a de-trunked road. The council would like to reinforce/confirm our acceptance of this and emphasise that the A339 must be included as it falls between West Berks and Hampshire with developments planned at each end.
Resolved - Clerk to send a formal response. Clerk
- 02/18.7** **BDBD Draft Supplementary Planning Documents on Design and Sustainability, Housing and Parking Standards:** Kingsclere has already focused on the Design aspect with the Neighbourhood Plan. The Housing paper is mostly common sense but lacks information on in-fill sites i.e. selling off gardens. SA has sent an email regarding the parking paper but the key comments are:-
The paper recognises that garages of a certain size can be counted as parking space and includes policies for increased capacity for drives to prevent cars overhanging pavements and connections for electric cars;
There is a gap in the paper – it does not address problems associated with a change of use, a problem which was recently highlighted with the Catholic Church conversion;
The paper was heavily focused on new developments and did not have guidance for the increasing number of garage conversions into living accommodation;
Visitor parking 20% allowance is welcomed. GPC
It was agreed to delegate the matter to the GP Committee for a formal response.
- 02/18.8** **Hampshire Police and Crime Panel - 'Hate Crime' Proactive Scrutiny:** IB has previously circulated comments highlighting resident's concerns – Local Policing and Action on Crime. The council have no experience to comment on the specific questions highlighted in the letter.
Resolved - Clerk to send a formal response. Clerk
- 02/18.9** **Review of Standing Orders:** Updated SO's circulated prior to the meeting.
Resolved – SO's as circulated adopted
- 02/18.10** **Update on Neighbourhood Plan:** A drop-in style meeting for consultation on the Plan has been booked for Monday 5th March 2018 at the Village Club.
10.1 Appointment of Independent Examiner – CV's of two candidates were circulated prior to the meeting. SA has consulted Phil Turner at Planning Aid who does not know either candidate but knows of Janet Cheesley by reputation.
Resolved – Janet Cheesley to be selected as the Independent Examiner
- 02/18.11** **County Councillor:** No report.
- 02/18.12** **Borough Councillor:** The budget was approved on Thursday last – money has been allocated to LIF for community projects so applications can be submitted after 1-Apr-2018. Affordable housing is a key issue and the 40% requirement has been reiterated as well as additional methods – help to buy etc. There is a risk that the local area will lose young people who will move to Basingstoke or Newbury to live. Basingstoke is promoting the use of National Standards for new developments particularly for room sizes – some developments don't meet these standards. Developers must be encouraged to meet these not only for new developments but also permitted developments (conversions). A meeting is booked with the Cabinet Member for planning to try to get something added to the SPD for ensuring properties are judged on what they are now (including pre-applications), not what they were ie the Catholic Church was a vacant property and no longer a Church. KR expressed he is in favour of in-fill and the use of brown sites eg the current Ashford Hill development on an old farm. There is still no decision on CIL rates - £200 per property is proposed for this area. The un-adopted roads in the area are in a terrible state and funding



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for these could come from the borough which is financially much healthier than the county. The Parish needs to be clear on what we want CIL money to be spent on with no Government or County money forthcoming. The Parish Council have submitted a project list recently for S106 and received a response from the borough – some projects were discounted because they were not “Green Spaces”. With an adopted NP the parish will receive 25% of CIL and 75% will go to the borough. The borough is not obliged to spend the money in the area where it was generated and therefore the parish will need to apply and submit projects. Manydown will have an impact on Kingsclere and travel to Basingstoke so the parish need to apply for CIL funding from this development to help infrastructure.

Recess Standing Orders were suspended at 20:07:

MH – Speedwatch are back out on the road with some new volunteers and aim to be out every two weeks. The PCSO joined the group for the last session and spoke to one driver at the scene.

The RBL planning for the April event is going well and the Mayor has accepted an invitation – could a representative from the Parish Council attend? – Yes. The group are also trying to get a memorial erected for Lieutenant Chapman. The widow has been approached and the group are awaiting a reply. This is a project instigated by the Legion, the War Grave Commission are not involved.

Back to Standing Orders 20:11.

02/18.13 Rolling List:

13.1 Village of the Year – Next meeting is booked for Thursday 15th March 2018, the Clerk is sending invites by email to organisations. IB is contacting the businesses, particularly the shops/café/pubs. The school are to be encouraged to join in and, in particular, to be become involved with the Community Orchard, a project that will be promoted in the application.

02/18.14 Planning Applications:

14.1. 18/00427/FUL - Cannon Heath Farm – No Objections

02/18.15 Clerks Report:

15.1. Thank you from Kingsclere Village Club for £200 Grant – received.

15.2. Grant Application from Kingsclere Community Association for £200 – the request is for a noticeboard and a sign, project cost £391.20, accounts submitted.

Resolved – Grant of £200 awarded (3 for, 1 against)

02/18.16 Approval of Income and Expenditure: The accounts for February were agreed and signed off.

02/18.17 Date of next meeting: Monday 26th March 2018, 7:30pm in the Village Club.

Meeting closed at 20:20

Signed:.....Chairman

Date:.....

Signed:.....Parish Clerk

Date:.....