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Prior to the meeting commencing Cllr Denness called for a vote to suspend Standing Order 70 due to new legislation. To be discussed under Item 8. Unanimously carried.

OM 11/14 Present: Cllrs. Adams; Bond; Cruickshank; Denness; Peach.N; Peach R; Sawyer; **ACTION** Clerk: S Thompson Public: 7; Press: 1: 11/14.1 Apologies: Cllrs Farey; Savin; Borough Cllr Osselton; County Cllr. Chapman; 11/14.2 Declarations of Interest: Cllrs N Peach & R Peach – item 10 – non-pecuniary interest. 11/14.3 Minutes: 3.1: The Minutes of the OM Meeting held on 27th October 2014 were signed and accepted as a true record 3.2: The Minutes of the GP Meeting held on 3rd November 2014 were signed and accepted as a true record 3.3: The Minutes of the F&E Meeting held on 10th November 2014 were signed and accepted as a true record 11/14.4 Matters arising: None 11/14.5 Chairman's Remarks: 5.1. Yellow lines are to be extended at entrance to Cedar Drive. A disabled parking bay is to be removed in Strokins Road 5.2. Thanks were given to: - the 4 individuals who have tidied up and replanted the flower bed at the phone box outside The Crown: To local resident Mr Brentnall who has cleared up the stream at the bottom of Popes Hill 5.3. Three people have come forward to look at acting as co-ordinator for the new Library scheme. They have a meeting with HCC officers next week. Also KVC Trustees are meeting to discuss the Service Level Agreement. 5.4. HCC have been given a limited budget in 2015 to look at solutions for Fox's Lane. 5.5. The new Parish Council website is now up and running. 11/14.6 Ratification of Proposals from F & E Meeting: 6.1. The budget level paper had been circulated and received by all cllrs prior to this meeting. These were accepted and unanimously agreed. 6.2. The Parish Maintenance Timetables have again left little time for the Parishes to make their own Precept decisions. That being said it has been reported that "no change" in last year's allocations or figures are expected. 6.3. Due to 6.2 above, a proposed increase of 2% in the Precept was unanimously agreed. The Clerk will monitor changes in any grants, and should these adversely Clerk affect our budgets a further meeting will be called before the January deadline. Note: an additional F & E Meeting has been scheduled for 19th January 2015 to check all BDBC Grants etc before final submission of our Precept Request. 11/14.7 **New Financial Regulations:** Copies of the revised FR's had been circulated to all members prior to this meeting. They include regulations regarding the controls for electronic banking arrangements. It was proposed and unanimously agreed to adopt these Financial Regulations which replace those of April 2003, twice amended. 11/14.8 **New Openness Regulation:** Standing Order 70 is no longer lawful as it prevents anyone from recording or filming at Parish Council Meetings. New wording suggested by NALC was proposed to adopt the Clerk new wording and this was unanimously agreed. A new Model of the full Standing Orders has now been released and The Clerk will look at this in conjunction with our existing Model and bring any recommendations back to full council. 11/14.9 **Kingsclere Charities Trustees:** Our two nominated Trustees Mrs Marie Gundry and Mrs Irene Powers have come to the end of their four year term of Office. They have agreed to stand for a further term. In the absence of any further nominations it was proposed and unanimously agreed that they should be re-elected in this role. The Chairman thanked Mrs Gundry and Mrs Powers Clerk

11/14.10 Allotment Group:

for their continued service.

10.1. Terms of Reference, drawn up with the assistance of group members have been agreed and circulated. It was proposed and unanimously agreed to accept them

10.2. New allotment garden Rules and Regulations have been drawn up with the assistance of the Group members. It was proposed and agreed with one abstention that they be accepted as the new model. They will be distributed to all allotment holders with the renewal letters in December.

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Cllr Bond set up the group and as her work is now done she will withdraw from the Allotment Management Group. She thanked all the members for coming forward to help with this work.

11/14.11 Speed Watch Group:

Grant has still not been received from the Police. Of the 12 people that originally volunteered only 5 remain. We needs to be more volunteers if this is to work. The elected co-ordinator says he is unwilling to proceed unless more volunteers come forward. Ideally 20 people will be needed in order to share the workload fairly. Without more volunteers the scheme will collapse.

11/14.12 Neighbourhood Plan:

Cllr Denness congratulated the NP leaders for putting on an excellent Public Meeting. Cllr Adams thanked Cllr Sawyer for his chairmanship of that meeting.

Cllr Sawyer commented on the quality of comments and questions from the public which demonstrated a real love and respect of our village. There was, however, general concern that there were too few young people at the public meeting.

Cllr Adams gave a brief overview of the main concerns people have regarding development in Kingsclere. She advised the group will be revisiting some of the sites previously rejected as too small and that we will try and get the Local Authority to move on their minimum 10+ figure.

We are coming to the end of the initial funding and whilst KPC have agreed to make some funds available to keep momentum with the work, further grant aid is being sought.

The net NP meeting is on Monday 1st December. Meanwhile there is a lot more information and copies of the consultants reports on the NP website.

Recess proposed & approved at 8:30pm Standing Orders Suspended:

- i. Concern from the floor that the Gailey Mill site was being looked at in the NP. It is an historic site and this should not be overlooked. This point had been made at the NP Meeting and people's concerns noted. They will be taken into consideration in any plans.
- ii. Thanks from the floor for the Speed Watch Group. SP reported on the issues at a meeting he attended regarding the future of rural policing. He felt we were getting a raw deal. We need more proactive policing and not rely on reactive policing, which is all there is time left for. We are getting a rural policewoman but she is having to spread her time over a much larger area. The last figures show that 62% of crimes in Kingsclere we logged as 'no further action'. SP was thanked for attending the meeting and his report. We can do little to change the situation.
- iii. Gailey Mill is a listed building and as such the owners have a duty of care to keep them in good repair.
- iv. Bins belonging to Twist hairdressers are blocked the footpath down to the back of the Church. KPC will write to them.
- v. Road signage is being neglected, there are many damaged signs on the roadways. Can we ask Highways to repair. *Clerk will contact them.*
- vi. Concern over flooding down to Gailey Mill if plans for development on the top of the hill go ahead.

Out of Recess at 8.45pm

11/14.13 County Councillors Report:

Apologies tendered – nothing to report

11/14.14 Borough Councillors Reports:

Cllr Osselton - commented on request for assisted funding for an outdoor Gym. Their figures do not match up with ours. Cllr Farey away, he will be asked to contact Cllr Osselton on his return.

Cllr Sherlock – Commented on the rejection of the first draft of BDBC's Local Plan. The numbers of required housing are expected to rise.

There is a new Enforcement Officer in the planning department.

Cllr Denness commented that the magazine Basingstoke Today didn't seem to include outlying parishes. Cllr Sherlock agreed with this and advised it is up to local parishes to put their own pieces forward for inclusion.

11/14.15 Rolling List

It was suggested that we add a Poppy Planting Campaign to the "beautifying Kingsclere item.

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11/14.16	Planning: 14/03355/HSE – No objection 14/03389/FUL – No objection	Clerk
11/14.17	Clerks Report: 17.1. RBL will be inviting householder to join in an Open Garden Campaign next year 17.2. Reported details of Mayors Christmas Concert.	
11/14.18	Approval of Income and Expenditure & Bank Reconcil Approved and signed off	liations:
11/14.19	Date of Next Ordinary Meeting: Monday 26 th January 2015 at 7:30 in The Village Hall.	
The 0 9.03 p	Chairman wished everyone a Merry Christmas and there born	peing no further business the meeting closed at
Signed:	Chairman	Date:
Signed:	Parish Clerk	Date: