

KINLET PARISH COUNCIL.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY,
AUGUST 8TH 2016 IN THE PARISH HALL
COMMENCING AT 7.30 p.m.**

PRESENT:- Mr. P. Kirton (Chairman), Mr P. Horsfall, Mr C. Lloyd, Mr D. Haywood, Mrs J. Barnes, Mr. R. Stringer and Mrs J. Burgess (Clerk)

Also in attendance– Mrs. M. Shineton (until 9.05 p.m.)

0. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION. There was 1 Parishioner present.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mrs J. Rowley (holiday), Mr. S. Harris (other commitment) – both acceptable reasons and Mr. G. Butler.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Mr D. Haywood declared a prejudicial interest in item 6.

3. MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING were taken as read, unanimously approved and signed. Proposed by Mr C. Lloyd and seconded by Mr P. Horsfall.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

1. HIGHWAY MATTERS

a. Furness Mill Update - Mrs. Shineton provided an update from Mr. Downes to the effect that he had supplied the previous date in good faith as it was the latest date given to him by Ringway. He had raised this issue as a potential ‘early warning’ with Shropshire senior management which if upheld had a financial penalty for the contractors.

b. V.A.S. Sign Button Oak. Shropshire Council had advised that the sign seemed to be operating when cars travelled through. This was not the case and the sign was still obstructed by vegetation – to be pursued by the clerk.

c. Hall Farm Road Leak. The update from Mr. Downes advised that there was no date as yet for this work and it sits in a list of jobs totalling £250,000 of outstanding work. However this matter had now been placed on a list for Ringway of jobs causing concern with a view to them starting obtaining permits, programming etc. Progress was awaited and would be chased as the road condition was deteriorating badly.

d. Sturt Lane. Repairs were in progress. An apology had been received from Steve Brown (Highways, Transport and Environmental Maintenance Commissioning Manager) for the confusion caused by the road signage and he would attend prior to the Sept. meeting to speak further re such matters.

The pothole at the end of the lane on the B. 4194 had received a temporary repair until S.T.W attended and reset the drain cover.

e. Milestone Plate Change Over. No further update received.

f. Use of Minor Highway and Environment Maintenance Grant. It was agreed to engage a 'Lengths man' to undertake minor highway work and the clerk would make enquiries from local clerks re possible names.

g. Speeding Traffic Borle Mill Bank – Mrs. Shineton dealing with this matter.

Other Highway Matters. There was a blocked culvert between Swallow Dip and Orchard Bank down Button Bridge Lane – to be reported.

2. ENFORCEMENT MATTERS. There were no updates to report

3. LOCAL COUNCIL AWARD SCHEME. Our application for Foundation accreditation was progressing with sufficient training undertaken by councillors and the clerk's CPD points being the only outstanding items. It was hoped all matters would be resolved to enable our application to be submitted during October.

4. PARISH PLAN REVIEW. Awaiting confirmation from Mr. P. Engleheart as to the arrangements to be made for a meeting with representatives from local organisations.

5. BUTTON OAK SPEEDING UPDATE. There was considerable discussion re this matter with Mrs. Shineton who had meet with Mr. C. Edwards (Area Commissioner South Shropshire). It was extremely disappointing to learn that Mr. Edwards 'concluded that the most appropriate course of action was to proceed with the approval of the 30mph speed limit with the inclusion of modest and sympathetic traffic calming measures' as advised in his letter of the 11th July and this action was being implemented forthwith.

This course of action was completely against the Parish Council's express wishes, which had been voiced on numerous occasions, as it was felt that the expenditure of a minimum of £40,000 for this work was a complete waste of money and particularly in view of the current financial position Shropshire Council now faced when the alternative option of returning the limit to 40 m.p.h. was available with no traffic calming measures required which would enable this money to be spent elsewhere.

6. PARK CLOSE UPDATE/FOOTPATH PLAN. Awaiting response from local landowner re possible sale of piece of land for car parking and a hold had been put on plan preparation for a possible footpath.

7. SMARTWATER SCHEME. The 'We Don't Buy Crime' project would be able to fund and supply street signage for the area and would also liaise with local officers, police cadets and other volunteers to assist in rolling out the delivery of the property marking kits. Details re a possible grant from the Police and Crime Commissioner were still awaited.

8. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY. This position was still being advertised as no applications had been received.

9. WEBSTIE CHANGE OVER. After discussion it was agreed to accept the quotation received by Stretton Internet to take over the management and updating of the site and arrangements would be made with the current provider for the necessary information to be handed over.

It was also agreed to submit a further grant application under the Transparency Code for this year – proposed by Mrs J. Barnes, seconded by Mr R. Stringer and agreed by all.

5. CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Rotary Printers – Welcome Pack inserts quotation. Agreed to accept the quotation of £68.00 for printing 500 off blank inserts

2. Shropshire Housing Group Stakeholder Event – 8th Sept.

Circulated By E. Mail During Month – to be discussed as applicable

S.A.L.C. – Connecting Shropshire Broadband Update.

S.A.L.C. Shropshire Council Press Release – Future Local Services.

S.A.L.C. – Workshop Agenda re Potential Clustering of Town and Parish Councils to enable collective support of local services – 27th July at Chelmarsh Parish Hall.

Email M. Shington re meeting C. Edwards.

S.A.L.C. Information Bulletin 1/6

O.P.C.C. – Safer West Midlands Draft Plan 2016

M.Shington – Connecting Shropshire – Public Consultation Broadband details.

Circulated with Agenda.

Western Power – Introduction to 105 phone no.

Bank Reconciliation.

Shropshire Council - Steve Brown re Road Signage Problems.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

1. 16/03218/HHE for Mr. C. Todd for erection of a single storey rear conservatory to detached dwelling at Tanwood Lodge, Kinlet. Proposed by Mr. P Kirton, seconded by Mr D. Haywood and unanimously recommended for approval.

2.16/02895/LBD for Mr. J. Engleheart to form a new door opening between 2 classrooms in an existing wall at ground floor level affecting a Grade 1 Listed building at Moffats School, Kinlet Hall, Kinlet. Proposed by Mr. C. Lloyd, seconded by Mr. P. Horsfall and agreed unanimously that this application be recommended for approval.

7. APPROVAL OF BANK RECONCILIATION 1/4/2016 TO 30/6/2016.

Proposed by Mr. P. Kirton, seconded by Mr. D. Haywood and unanimously agreed that this be approved.

8. STAFFING COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES. It was agreed by all that Mr. C. Lloyd would take over from Mr. P. Kirton and Mrs J. Barnes would continue her representation.

Proposed by Mr D. Haywood and seconded by Mr. P. Horsfall. Mrs. J. Barnes was preparing appraisal forms for this purpose.

9. CONSIDERATION OF A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS DEFIBRILLATOR CABINET AT EAGLE AND SERPENT PUBLIC HOUSE.

It was agreed by all to make as donation of £500.00 from the C.L.D. grant towards the provision of this cabinet. Proposed by Mr. P. Kirton and seconded by Mr. D. Haywood.

10. CONDITION OF BUS SHELTERS' INTERIORS. Discussion deferred until next meeting to give an opportunity for inspection.

11. BROADBAND LOCAL RECEPTION. Further discussion next month.

12. COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS. Mrs. M. Shinton reported on current broadband consultation and continued discussions re ambulance re-organisation, response times, back-ups at hospitals and control room operation.

The funding situation was still ongoing.

13. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS TO HAND

It was agreed to make the following payments:- 1. Mrs J. Burgess - £242.58 (salary – cheque no. 001372). 2. Mrs J. Burgess - £9.90 (travelling expenses – cheque no 001374)

3. Mrs J. Burgess - £151.93 (year's contribution to internet etc. expenses – cheque no. 001375).

4. S.A.L.C. 1- £44.00 (training – cheque nos. 001376 and 001378). 5. ITS Solutions - £429.00 (computer expenses – cheque no. 001377)

14. ITEMS NEXT AGENDA.

1. Dead trees by Coppice Creations, Sturt Lane.

2. Overgrown conifers opposite The Woodlands.

3. Broadband progress.

4. Condition of bus shelters' interiors.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING. This was arranged for Monday September 12th 2016 in the Parish Hall commencing at 7.30 p.m. with Public Participation time with the informal discussion with Mr. S. Brown commencing at 6.30 p.m. The meeting closed at approximately 9.15 p.m.