

M5 MINUTES

The Parish Council Meeting of Kings Ripton was held on Tuesday 7 January 2020 at 7.00pm in Village Hall

- Present P Rayner, Chairman, Paul Bassitt, Vice–Chair, K Martin, R Rayner, Parish Councillors.
Ms R Mimiene, Clerk.
1 member of the public.
HDC Cllr S Bywater
HDC Cllr D Tulpin
CC Cllr S Criswell
- 200107/457 To Receive Apologies and Reasons for Non Attendance**
200107/457.1 None.
- 200107/458 Chairman requested this planning consultation to be added to the Agenda:**
200107/458.1 Consultation - Land Opposite Mayfield Heath Farm Sapley Road Kings Ripton (ref 19/02585/FUL)
- Proposal Proposed by Cllr PB, seconded by Cllr RR, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that the additional Agenda item is to be added under the Planning to enable PC to discuss the planning consultation to meet HDC deadline. Carried**
- 200107/459 To Consider co-option to fill 1 Councillor Vacancy**
200107/459.1 None received. Cllrs will keep approaching residents.
- 200107/460 Declaration of Interests for Members (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests). Dispensations**
The dispensation which was approved at the last meeting (regarding the Grass Cutting) still stands for Cllr PR.
Cllr PR raised the PI/dispensation issue with PC. It has been considered in the past that Cllrs RR and PR have a PI in the Crematorium applications. And now the applications are both passed and so do not affect each other for planning, and the new application (on the Agenda tonight) is a gate design application which has no materially beneficial or detrimental effect that can envision to Cllrs PR and RR's interests.
Three options were considered by PC:
1. PC consider it a PI and need Cllr RR and PR to make a dispensation that they are allowed to contribute and even aid decisions in the meeting (because the dispensation would benefit the PC by becoming quorate).
2. It is not a PI because there is no obvious financial advantage from this decision to any councillors including PR/RR above that of being village residents, and so a dispensation is not required and vote would proceed as normal.
3. It is a PI and PR/RR should not be involved in decisions and so KRPC should not comment.
- Proposal Proposed by Cllr KM, seconded by Cllr PB, and it was RESOLVED that the Option 2 is approved where Cllrs PR and RR do not have Pecuniary Interest and therefore can attend the discussion on the above planning application. Carried**
- 200107/461 To Receive Reports from District and County Councillors**
Verbal update by HDC Cllrs DT and SB.
Verbal update by CC Cllr SC.
- Close of Meeting**
- 200107/462 Public Participation Session with respect to items on the Agenda and other matters of mutual interest.**
Resident's comment received re Anglian Water works, which were carried in the village. Resident asked could the parish council contact Anglia Water to repair the areas damaged in the village. There are several areas on the grass verge damaged that they guaranteed they would leave as they found it.
It was explained that the complaint could be raised but PC cannot claim any compensation for residents' as residents need to contact AW direct. Cllr PR can provide details whom to contact at AW but PC cannot claim any compensation. Re-installation of the verges – Cllr PR will chase AW to make sure they complete the job correctly.

Resident also noted that the signs were put up at the crossroads over the weekend but noone turned up to do any works.

Gas contractors are working on the road at the moment. Possible road closures in the near future.

PR

Traffic issues this morning and since the A14 was opened became worse and probably doubled in the last week. CC Cllr SC will raise this matter with the Highways England.

SC

Permission for the tree works provided so that the bridge could be installed.

Litter pick done by residents constantly.

Re-opening of the Meeting

200107/463 To Receive and Approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 19 November 2019

Proposal

Minute 450: Clerk to correct initials for Cllr KM.

Proposed by Cllr PR, seconded by Cllr RR, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that the minutes to be accepted and signed as the true record of the meeting with the above amendment.

Carried

Chairman signed the minutes.

200107/464 Matters Arising for those Minutes

200107/464.1 All matters covered under the Agenda.

This item was agreed to be brought forward

200107/465 We Out Here festival 20-23rd of August 2020, update by Cllr R Rayner

The second addition of We Out Here Festival will be taking place 20 - 23 August 2020 at Grange Farm, Abbots Ripton. Cllr RR attended the meeting on 16th December, and provided a verbal update.

There is a meeting planned for District and Parish Councils on 10 March at 19:00 (location TBC) to present their 2020 plans and discuss any local concerns. The festival will distribute information for review prior to this meeting.

200107/466 *This item was also agreed to be brought forward so that the advice from HDC and CCC Cllrs attending the meeting could be obtained.*

LHI application

Application submitted. Awaiting feedback.

Email received on 18 Dec 19 from CCC seeking PC to accept the feasibility report for PC application. It was noted that PC's contribution is £540.00.

PR

PC considered to get gates under this LHI but were advised that no additions are to be applied at this stage.

LHI presentation is in Feb 2020 and Cllr PR agreed to attend it to present PC LHI scheme. It was agreed to seek the figures on traffic from Roadwatch Group.

Note since meeting: Clerk confirmed the acceptance of the LHI application.

200107/467 Notification on Planning Items

Planning application received on 30 Dec 19 and therefore missed the Jan PC Agenda.

PC voted to include this item on the Agenda so that it could be discussed tonight:

Proposed entrance gate design and specification for the new crematorium and cemetery development approval 18/01439/FUL. Site Address: Land Opposite Mayfield Heath Farm Sapley Road Kings Ripton Reference: 19/02585/FUL

Cllr KM went to the Huntingdon Town Council exhibition on the new Crematorium & Cemetery plans and asked for the plans to be sent to us digitally so here they are.

Interesting to note that we can expect a new planning application shortly for a depot which is planned to be built behind the Crematorium. The depot is for the groundwork team and also a greenhouse for their plant growing for Town Council works.

PC comments are:

Design is not sympathetic to the purpose and it looks too industrial.

PC wish to raise a concern that there will be road accidents because the splays are not suitable for crematorium traffic when you have multiple cars turning into the site which are all travelling at a very low speed on a 60mph road.

The plan suggests there is no footpath at all leading from the site to KR which is very disappointing.

PC planning recommendations submitted HDC on 9 Jan 20.

Proposal

Proposed by Councillor PB, seconded by Councillor KM, all in favour and it was RESOLVED to recommend Approval subject to the above recommendations.

Carried

CC Cllr SC and HDC Cllrs DT and SB left the meeting.

200107/468 Finance

200107/468.1 Bank balance as at 30 November 19, Cashbook, Bank Reconciliation, Income & Expenditure

Bank Balance and Cashbook balance as at 30 Nov 19 £9,746.02
Reconciliation signed by the Chair.

200107/468.2 Bank Mandate to remove the Signatory from PC bank account submitted, outcome
Ex Cllr DS is removed from PC accounts. Noted.

200107/468.3 To Approve the change of address Bank Mandate

Proposal Proposed by Councillor PR, seconded by Councillor KM, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that the change of PC address Bank Mandate is approved. Carried

Mandate signed.

200107/468.4 Funding Opportunities – Grant re road safety presented by Cllr KM **KM**

The link to the Road Safety Trust's Website <https://www.roadsafetytrust.org.uk/small-grants-2019> was forwarded to D McCandless who already submitted an application for a **TruCam II Project.**

Cllrs discussed that the village is recently very much affected by the A14 traffic as the congestion increased after the new A14 was opened. Cllrs PR and KM will collect evidence of the congestion caused by A14. PC to apply for A14 Community Fund. Ask D McCandless to take the reading at the crossroads and provide comparison from last year to show the speed on that junction. It might have slowed down. Monitor road traffic. **PR KM**

200107/468.5 Precept Request for £5,913.07 for 2020/21 submitted HDC

200107/468.6 Payment to Environmental Agency re: The application fee of £446.00 for the Bridge to be built over the Bury Brook now made as agreed at the last meeting

Date payment raised	Reference no./Date paid	Payee	Description	Receipts	Payments
Dec 2019					
08 December 2019		Environment Agency	Bespoke flood risk activity permit of construction of a footbridge over Bury Brook		£446.00
			Total:	£0.00	£446.00

Proposal Proposed by Councillor KM, seconded by Councillor PB, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that the payment approved at the last meeting was made between the meetings to meet the requirements. Carried

200107/468.7 Expenditure for approval 7 January 2020:

Date payment raised	Reference no./Date paid	Payee	Description	Receipts	Payments
Jan 2020					
07 January 2020		Expenses	Expenses on running cost of PC Dec 2019		£13.77
07 January 2020		Expenses	Expenses on running cost of PC Jan 2020		£7.47
07 January 2020		Wages	Wages Dec 2019 including PAYE		£168.36
07 January 2020		Wages	Wages Jan 2020 including PAYE		£168.36
			Total:	£0.00	£357.96

Proposal Proposed by Councillor PR, seconded by Councillor KM, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that items listed above are to be paid. Carried

200107/469 Allotments

It was noted that the allotments look very tidy.

200107/470	Highways and Verges	
200107/470.1	Footbridge over the Bury Brook – Cllr K Martin Clearance of the overgrowth around the bridge so that the new footbridge could be installed –The quote for tree works been confirmed and the contractor was instructed. It was noted that the work will be done before March. The payment was raised to the Environment Agency for the cost of the Bespoke Licence. Form 3 now been filled in by Bridges team. Risk Assessment and the statement needs to be done by Bridges team. Bridge will be ready to go in before spring.	
200107/470.2	Litter picking and Road sweeping, reported, - Litter pick – It was agreed to request another litter pick and continue to do so every time we have a meeting. <i>Note since meeting: Litter pick requested by the Clerk on 8 Jan 20.</i> - Road sweeping – PC noted it that it was recently done. Cllr KM will report the potholes on the road.	Clerk KM
200107/470.3	Drains along the Ramsey Road – request a clean as building up again.	
200107/470.4	Grass cutting – PCC will carry on cutting the grass as previous year.	
200107/471	Speeding in the village	
200107/471.1	<i>Dangerous parking in the village was brought to PC attention by residents and Road Watch team - a second complaint received as parking behind the top build out area causes poor visibility.</i> It is dangerous for motorists – can Highways examine the build out. Clerk asked Local Highways officer Brian Murdock to examine and assess the build out area and address the safety issue. Is there a way of preventing the parking? <i>Note since meeting: Clerk emailed Highways officer on 23 Nov 19.</i> <i>Brian Murdock responded re parking behind the top buildout that this is a parking issue not a highway maintenance issue. It has to be reported via:</i> https://www.cambs.police.uk/report/Report or call 101. The police can then assess and take the appropriate action. <i>It was also noted that CC do have limited resources and would expect funding for additional works such as being suggested to come through LHI or PFHI (privately funded) schemes.</i> PC agreed to issue notices on PC headed paper and put in the area. Cllr RR agreed to put it up.	Clerk RR
200107/471.2	Side gates at pincer points/slow down areas to entrance/exits to the village - Cllr RR presented examples of the wooden gates at about £62.00 each + installation at the last meeting in Nov. Cllr RR will investigate the process of installation and the background. <i>Approve the spending subject to the route of installation x 4 gate. Cost of labour separate. £256.00 + VAT.</i>	RR
Proposal	Proposed by Councillor PR, seconded by Councillor KM, all in favour and it was RESOLVED that to approve the spending of around £256.00 subject to the route of installation of 4 gates.	Carried
200107/472	Defibrillator for the village, outcome <i>A member of the public left the meeting.</i> The defibrillator was installed by the certified electrician today. There is a sign there which says 'not registered', - Cllr KM will let ambulance service know the location for registration. PC have budget for installation Net figure of which is £150.00 (Grant from Lottery Fund). Invoice to come. Cllr KM will organise the training and arrange the flyer to go round the village.	KM
200107/473	Village Security Cllr MKM reported that Neighbourhood Watch is active and has been circulating info re theft of tools. RCAT – Cllr RR and PR are members of the group.	
200107/474	Parish Council Website – Cllr PR will provide info for PCC section on PC website. Cllr KM will write some info re Defibrillator and Clerk will upload onto the PC website. Training also to be mentioned. Signs provided and will be distributed in the village.	PR KM Clerk
200107/475	Correspondence	

- 1) Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service: Integrated Risk Management Plan Consultation - a short online feedback form you can use <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NNXC3L7> Consultation closes on Friday, 24 January 2020.

200107/476 **Members' Reports, round the table invitation to report**
None.

200107/477 **Matters to be raised by members for the next agenda**
All the same Agenda items.

200107/478 **Date of the next meetings:**
Tue 3 Mar 20 at 7pm at the Village Hall
Tue 19 May 20 Annual Parish Meeting/Assembly and Annual Parish Council Meetings

Meeting finished at 9.17pm

These minutes are considered draft until ratified at the Parish Council meeting

Date

Chairman: Philip Rayner