

Kings Ripton Parish Council

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A Meeting of Kings Ripton Parish Council¹ held on Monday 6th November 2023 at 7.00pm at:
Kings Ripton Village Hall, School Lane, Kings Ripton, PE28 2NL

Present; Philip Rayner (PR – Chairman), Paul Bassitt (PB – Vice Chairman), Rebecca Rayner (RR), Samantha Sharp (SS - Clerk and RFO) – 4 members of the

Members: 5 Quorum: 3

MINUTES

0050/11-23 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Councillor Judith Archer – Accepted Apologies

0051/11-23 To receive Disclosable Interests Declarations.

Members of the Council are subject to the Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interest) Regulations 2012. All dispensation requests must be made to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

Kings Ripton Farms have been cutting the Parish Land and invoiced the Council.

Meeting Closed - 1901

0052/11-23 Public participation.

To allow up to 10 minutes (2 minutes per person) for any members of the public and councillors declaring the existence and nature of a prejudicial interest to address the meeting in relation to the business on this agenda.

Drain on Ramsey Road to be reported by the Parish Council.

Quaker's Rest and Unicorn House potholes to be reported to Highways.

Abbot's Ripton Road vision.

Elm Tree in the village to be preserved between 4 and 5 School Lane.

Meeting Opened – 1914

0053/11-23 To receive an update from the Local County Councillor.

Weeds on the highway – motion to reverse the decision was declined. Will be reviewed next year.

¹Local Government Act 1972, schedule 12, paragraph 7 (2).

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New footpath officer in post – Dan Wiggs.

0054/11-23 To receive an update from the Local District Councillors.

Green waste fee will be charged from 1st April. An early bird special will be offered to all residents of £50 fixed for 3 years. Bins not paid for will be collected in June 2024.

A14 trees – numerous trees will be replaced as many died, this is in budget.

Households on low income will get a 100% rates relief and this will be spread across the paying households.

0055/11-23 To approve minutes of the meeting on 11th September 2023.

The minutes were circulated amongst the Councillors prior to the meeting to ensure this is a true and accurate representation of the meetings.

RR Proposed

PR Seconded

All in favour

RESOLVED

0056/11-23 Matters arising from minutes of 11th September 2023.

0056/11-23.1 Camp Beagle Protest – Clerk

No Update. Council to send another letter to the Chief Executive of Cambridgeshire County Council.

0056/11-23.2 Mobile Library – Next Date for visit
10th November and 8th December 2023

0056/11-23.3 Speedwatch – Alternative Battery
Battery purchased and currently installed on the speed sign. Further solar panels to be purchased. Item to be added to the agenda in January for a donation.

0056/11-23.4 Road Sweep Request – Clerk
Requested – 6/11/2023

0056/11-23.5 Public Footpath Work – Clerk
New footpath officer in post – Dan Wiggs

0056/11-23.6 Highways issues – Clerk
All highways issues have been reported by the Clerk. This includes the Pothole at Quakers Quest, Unicorn House and the drains of the village.

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0057/11-23 Finance

0057/11-23.1 To approve accounts for payment.

November 2023

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
30/11/23	Samantha Sharp	Clerk Salary – November 2023	Confidential
30/11/23	HMRC	Clerk Tax and NI	£50.20
30/11/23	Samantha Sharp	Working From Home Allowance	£10.00

December 2023

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
31/12/23	Samantha Sharp	Clerk Salary – December 2023	Confidential
31/12/23	HMRC	Clerk Tax and NI	£50.20
31/12/23	Samantha Sharp	Working From Home Allowance	£10.00

0057/11-23.2 Monthly bank reconciliations – September and October 2023.

0058/11-23 To approve the budget for 2024/25

The budget was circulated amongst the Councillors prior to the meeting for comment.

RR Proposed

PR Seconded

All in favour

RESOLVED

0059/11-23 To approve the precept request for 2024/25

A precept of £8,000 was proposed for 2024/25. This is the same rate that was requested for 2023/24.

RR Proposed

PR Seconded

All in favour

RESOLVED

0060/11-23 To resolve the purchase of a Parish Bench

Deferred til January 2024.

Clerk to research options.

0061/11-23 To review potential projects with the money from CIL projects

Numerous parishioners have emailed the Clerk with ideas for CIL projects.

The refurbishment of the Village Hall was the most popular along with play equipment for the Children of the village.

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PR proposed that a proportion of the CIL fund could be used on the Village Hall but then the remainder of the fund to purchase street furniture and village signage. Village Hall Committee to attend in January with a presentation of projects.

20:58 - PR Proposed that the standing order restricting the maximum time of meeting be suspended. RR seconded - RESOLVED

0062/11-23 Clerk Report

Appraisal required
2023/24 pay scales have been released and will be adopted by the council in line with the Clerk's contract
Savings account to be opened with Unity Trust Bank for the excess funds of the Council

0063/11-23 Correspondence and Communications

Village Hall request for support with the purchase of new windows
Parishioners sent suggestions for CIL projects

PR attended a planning training session with HDC

0064/11-23 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

No decision can be made under this item²
20mph funding available

TPO – Elm Tree in the Village

Footpaths – To make a presentation to the Council

Police to attend regarding security

0065/11-23 To note the date of the next Parish Council meetings.

- Monday 8th January 2024
- Monday 4th March 2024 – Annual Meeting of the Electorate
- Monday 13th May 2024 – Annual Council Meeting

Meeting Closed – 2114

² Local Government Act 1972, s12 10(2) (b)