

KINGSWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Kingswood Parish Council held on Monday 9th February 2009 commencing 7.15p.m.at Kingswood Primary School.

PRESENT

Councillors: Mr. P. Hemming, Mr K. Wood, Mrs. J. Simmons, Mrs.S.Evans and Mr.I Jones

Clerk: Miss. M. Leonard

Glos.County Council Mr. J. Cordwell

Public NONE

Press: NONE

POLICE NONE

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Mr. J. Cordwell gave his report under this section as he needed to attend the North Nibley meeting.

See separate report.

The Clerk asked if Mr.J.Cordwell would call for an investigation into the consultation carried out for the closure of the B4058. The consultation has been a total farce. Signage is still saying road closure and is in the wrong place. The Clerk had received complaints that people had assumed road was closed when it was not, and took the diversion un- necessarily. There is still no clarification on the public and school transport and the diversion map circulated is incorrect. Mr Cordwell agreed to ask for an investigation.

12883/09 - APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Mr. D. Rockey Chairman and Mr. N.Ward Vice Chairman. In the absence of both the chair and vice Chair a proposal was put forward by Mr.K Wood that Mr. P. Hemming chaired the meeting, this was seconded by Mrs .S .Evans with all Councillors in favour and thereby resolved.

12884/09- APPROVAL OF MINUTES HELD ON MONDAY 12th January 2009

It was proposed and resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12th January 2009, are signed as a correct record. Proposed by Mr.K.Wood and seconded by Mrs.S.Evans and thereby resolved.

12885/09 - DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Mrs. S. Evans – Cleaning contract for the Public Convenience

MATTERS ARISING

12886/09– CLOSURE OF WOTTON SORTING OFFICE

The official poster had been delivered with The Grapevine. The next meeting to take place at the Civic Centre on Friday 13th February 2009.

12887/09- CLOSURE OF B4058 WOTTON ROAD

See comments in Public Questions.

12888/09 – PLAYBUILDER APPLICATION 2009

The Clerk reported that our application had been unsuccessful on this occasion. However we were currently on the reserve list if any funding should come available. The Clerk intends to find out why the application was unsuccessful as the reasons may help with future funding applications.

12889/09 ALLOTMENTS

Mr.P.Hemming read out the report from the working party and asked for a discussion on the findings. The Parish Council were in favour of the proposed actions discussed in the report. Proposed by Mr.K.Wood and seconded by Mrs.S.Evans and thereby resolved.

12900/09 - GARDENING QUOTATIONS

The quotations were discussed and the following decisions made.

The Churchyard, Cemetery and The Chipping - Contract awarded to Cabot Industrial Landscapes. The Councillors would like Cabot to produce a scheme for the planting of the flower beds. The Cutting of the Playing Field – The Contract awarded to Hawking Sports Ground Maintenance. Grass Cutting around the village and the raking of the bark at the playing field awarded to Keith Lival.

The above was proposed by Mrs J.Simmons and seconded by Mrs S.Evans and thereby resolved.

12901/09 – CHARFIELD ROAD

Mr. K.Wood also asked if the Clerk could find out when the drain was going to be linked up as a lot of water coming off the fields.

12902/09 - STREET LIGHT WITH IN THE VILLAGE

The Clerk is still waiting to hear when the lights would be surveyed. Mr.I.Jones was worried that Gloucestershire County Council was going ahead with reduced lighting in the County and was worried that they would go ahead in Kingswood with out consultation. The Clerk confirmed that the County were going ahead with the surveys and not straight into the reduction of lighting.

12903/09 - BT PHONE BOX

The Clerk confirmed that she had received the invoice for sponsoring the phone kiosk.

12904/09 - PARISH COUNCIL WEB SITE

The Clerk still awaiting the photographs.

CORRESPONDENCE

12905/09 – DELIVERY OF SALT

The Clerk had received an email from Stroud asking if Kingswood would like a delivery of salt. It was agreed that we should ask for 1 bag and have it delivered to The Chipping by The Notice Board. A notice to be put up asking people to use the salt on public areas only. Proposed Mr.I.Jones second by Mrs.S.Evans

12906/09 - IAN SELKIRK – NOTICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT

It was proposed by Mrs.S.Evans to appoint Mr.I.Selkirk as internal auditor. This was seconded by Mr.K.Wood and thereby resolved.

12907/09- JOHN HICKS ANNUAL PLAY EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

It was proposed by Mr.K.Wood to appoint John Hicks to carry out the annual playground inspection. This was seconded by Mrs.S.Evans and thereby resolved.

12908/09 – TUBBS TURF REPRESENTATIVE

It was agreed to ask Tubs Turf to come to the Annual Parish Meeting and make a report and for them to give a report to the Parish Council on a quarterly basis. Proposed by Mrs.J.Simmons and seconded by Mr.K.Wood and thereby resolved.

12909/09 – SERVICE CONTRACT FOR WALLGATE AT KINGSWOOD TOILETS

Mrs.S.Evans proposed that we continued with this contract as it is very effective and she would be unable to carry out this work herself. Seconded by Mr.I Jones and thereby resolved.

12910/09 - KINGSWOOD VILLAGE ASSOCIATION SHOWDAY

It was proposed by Mr.K.Wood that the KVA be granted permission to use the Playing Field and that the fee for usage be waived. This was seconded by Mrs.S.Evans and thereby resolved. The Clerk said she would advise the KVA that the current limit for Public Liability Insurance was £5 million.

12911/09 – BUCKINGHAM PALACE GARDEN PARTY INVITATION

A discussion took place as to who could be put forward. Mr.P.Hemming proposed Mrs. C Holmes the previous Clerk, for her 32 years service to local government. It was suggested that we ask if she wanted her name to go forward. This matter to be brought back to the next meeting for discussion. Seconded by Mr. K.Wood and thereby resolved.

12912/09 - FIRST BUS

The change of route was discussed and its impact on the village and the locality. The Clerk to contact Mr.B.Carr at Gloucestershire County Council to discuss what action could be taken. One suggestion to shorten route was for the 309 not to go all around Thornbury.

12913/09 - AGENDA FOR PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL TUESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2009

Mr.D.Rockey and the Clerk to attend.

12914/09 - FUNDING VIA ENTRUST

The Clerk to look into for possible future funding opportunities.

12915/00 -. STRATEGIC HOUSING LAND AVAILABILITY

This document was reviewed and no further action required.

12916/09 PARISH PLANS FORUM MONDAY 2ND MARCH 6.00 EBLEY MILL

The Clerk will attend but will ask if any one from The Parish Plan of the working party would like to attend also.

12917/09 - THE PARISH COUNCIL POWER TO PROMOTE WELL BEING (PRESCRIBED CONDITION)ORDER 2008

This document was reviewed and no further action required.

12918/09 - OLD ENOUGH TO MAKE A MARK? SHOULD VOTING BE LOWERED TO 16? CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Mr.I.Jones is reading this paper and will report back to the Parish Council at the next meeting

12919/09 - COMMUNITIES IN CONTROL: REAL PEOPLE, REAL POWER - CODE OF RECOMMENDED PRACTICE ON LOCAL AUTHORITY PUBLICITY

This document was reviewed and no further action required.

12920/09 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

S.08/2396/COU Merryford Farm

The application was discussed. Mr.K.Wood was concerned that it was another new development and that Kingswood currently had vacant work unit. After some discussion the Councillors decided not to comment on the application.

WITHDRAWAL

NONE

PERMISSION

S.08/2166/ful Tyndale Cottage 1 High Street

S.08/2295/ful 4 Hillesley Road

REFUSAL

None

APPEAL

NONE

COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS.

12921/09- COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT

See separate report.

12922/09 - STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Mr.P.Hemming the District Councillor reported to the Parish Council the following. He had attended a meeting concerning changes to permitted developments.

REPORTS/NOTICES OF MEETINGS

12923/09 - PLAYGROUND INSPECTION REPORT.

26/01/08 - 08/02/09	Mr.I.Jones
09/02/08 - 22/02/09	Mr.Wood
23/02/08 - 08/03/09	Mrs.Evans

Mr.I.Jones reported that he had carried out his inspection and had nothing to report.

12924/09 ACCOUNTS

February ACCOUNTS

Mrs. S Evans cleaning contract and materials £121.03 (minute Feb 2007 11920/07)
Miss. M J Leonard clerks salary £440.61 stationary £26.16 MILAGE Ebley Mill £18.11
Mr. K Thomas bus shelter £25.00
BT £53.96 vat £7.34 Total £61.30
GAPTCCILCA Invoice £120.00
BT Phone Box £500.00 VAT £75.00 total £575.00

RECEIPTS

EON WAY LEAVES £21.37

It was proposed by Mr.I.Jones and seconded by Mr.K.Wood and resolved that the above accounts as presented are passed for payment.

The Clerk asked that all Councillors reviewed the Financial Regulations before the March meeting
The meeting ended at 9.15

Mr.P.Hemming

Chairman

9th February 2009

INFORMAL MEETING FOR POINTS TO BE RAISED TO CLERK AND CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Simmons reported that once again problems with the bins at the Cemetery.

A discussion took place concerning the person living in a van on Vineyard Lane. As no offence was being committed there was no action for the parish Council to take.

OUTSTANDING MINUTE ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

11836/06 - BUS SHELTER, OLD RECTORY ROAD.

A reply is awaited from Gloucestershire County Council regarding positioning of the bus shelter.

11838/06 - KATHERINE LADY BERKELEY SCHOOL TRANSPORT.

A reply was received from Applegates outlining why they should not change their route due to punctuality and safety concerns on road proposed. The council noted no difference in safety of two roads in question. It was decided to await replies from other Companies. Clerk to pursue this matter.

11839/06 - TELEPHONE KIOSK, Old Rectory Road.

Information regarding the 'listing' of the telephone kiosk awaited from Stroud District Council.

11842/06 - ACCESS PLAYING FIELD

Kingswood Village Hall Management Committee will consult with the Parish Council regarding the installation of double yellow lines on the entrance road to the facility.

11843/06- CHESTNUT PARK - SEAT

The Clerk has chased this item on numerous occasions. Due to staff changes in Stroud no one appears to know what has happened to the seat.
Clerk pursuing this matter.

12098/07 - TUBBS TURF WALL

The Clerk to continue to obtain more quotes for repairs to the boundary wall.
Clerk to review the Tubbs Turf constitution.

12113/07 ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING

Request for additional street lighting on the Walk and the Chipping has been made to Stroud

12114/07 PART NIGHT OPERATION OF STREET LIGHTING

Parish Council to review matter when the darker evenings arrive.

12251/07 PLAYING FIELD DRAINAGE

Treatment to the football pitch it was proposed to pass on this suggestion to the football club for them to fund if they wish the work to be carried out.

A quote for £14000 has been put forward for the drainage of the rest of the playing field.
It was proposed to put an amount in this year's budget in earmarked funds to enable the Council to start accruing fund toward this work.

Proposed Mr. P. Hemming and seconded Mr.N.Ward and thereby resolved.