

KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 10TH MARCH 2014

Item Nr	Item	Action By
1.0	<p>Attendance and Apologies</p> <p>In attendance: Cllr R Stokes (Chairman) Cllr M Anderson Cllr I Barrie Cllr J Clarke Cllr C Miles Cllr K Taylor Cllr N Townsend Cllr A Wilcox Miss Caroline Roche (Parish Clerk) Cllr B Nottrodt (TDBC Councillor) Cllr E Waymouth (TDBC Councillor) Two members of the public attended the meeting</p> <p>Apologies received from: Cllr S Phillips Cllr D Wedderkopp (SCC Councillor) PCSO Windsor (Avon and Somerset Police)</p>	
2.0	<p>Declarations of Interest in Any Agenda Item</p> <p>Cllr Miles - item 11.1 (Planning Application 20/14/0009).</p>	
3.0	<p>Police Update</p> <p>A report had been received which was read out by the Clerk.</p>	
4.0	<p>Items from Members of the Public</p>	
4.1	<p>Kingston Stream in the Vicinity of Alpha Cottages</p> <p>Two Members of the Public explained that in the winter of 2012/2013, the water level in Kingston Stream in the vicinity of Alpha Cottages had changed and had become excessively high. This was of concern to them. In the winter of 2013/2014, the water had again been exceptionally high and the gentleman living in Nr 5 Alpha Cottages had on a daily basis been rodding the culvert to ensure the stream did not overflow into his home. It was thought that silt and blockages further back upstream had caused the water to divert down Kingston Stream past The Manor House and Alpha Cottages.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to contact SCC Highways and Flood Management Department to seek their advice with regards to alleviating the high level of water flowing in Kingston Stream in the vicinity of Alpha Cottages.</p> <p>Cllr Barrie suggested that Riparian Owners be requested to maintain those parts of the stream that they were responsible for. Cllr Stokes agreed to include an article in LinkUp.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Stokes</p>
5.0	<p>SCC Update</p> <p>The Clerk advised that no update had been received.</p>	

6.0	<p>TDBC Update</p> <p>Cllr Nottrodt advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ TDBC was currently setting its 2014/2015 budget and mayoral costs were under review ❖ Halcon 1 Project was a police led initiative which was also going to be rolled out in Priorswood and its surrounding area ❖ The Strategic Plan for Taunton Town Centre bid had failed ❖ The Brewhouse Theatre was due to re-open in April 2014 ❖ The Parish Liaison Officer was recently made redundant. All parish grants would now be dealt with by Corporate Support. Electoral Services was now being centralised and would be based in West Somerset District Council 	
7.0	<p>TDBC Papers</p> <p>Cllr Stokes advised that there was nothing additional to report.</p>	
8.0	<p>Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting dated 10 February 2014</p> <p>Resolved: The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.</p>	
9.0	<p>Matters Arising</p>	
9.1	<p>Yarford Flooding</p> <p>The Clerk advised she had contacted SCC Highways to ascertain what remedial work had taken place when Yarford Road was recently closed. SCC Highways had confirmed that it had cleared out the culvert including the tree roots. Cllr Townsend advised that SCC Highways had recently been out to Yarford Road following the recent exceptionally heavy rainfall, as there had been more flooding on the highway. SCC Highways had advised Cllr Townsend that further engineering works would be taking place in the near future to remedy the flooding issue. Ongoing.</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed she had contacted SCC Highways to remind it that the top surface dressing in Kestercombe Lane still required replacing, as it had in places been washed away due to the wet weather when it was laid last summer. SCC Highways had previously confirmed that remedial work would take place, as part of the 2014/2015 annual maintenance programme. Ongoing.</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed she had to write to SCC Highways, to thank Mr Quick and his staff for all their efforts to remedy highway issues during the last year. Item closed.</p>	C/F C/F
9.2	<p>Permitted Development Boundary</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed that TDBC had confirmed that no other sites had been allocated within the Kingston St Mary permitted development boundary. Item closed.</p>	
10.0	<p>Kingston St Mary Playing Field</p> <p>Cllr Stokes advised that the best way to protect the Playing Field for future use was for the Parish Council to become the sole trustee. Wolferstans had now contacted Porter Dodson (Mr Mahoney) and requested confirmation of information that would allow the land to be registered for the first time at Land Registry. Mr Mahoney had advised Cllr Stokes that he would require a fee of £500 for the legal work. Also, Wolferstans (the Parish Council's solicitor) had advised that its fees would increase to £950 as the legal work undertaken to date had been more complicated than originally envisaged.</p> <p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Parish Council wished to complete the legal work that would enable it to become the Sole Trustee ❖ It would pay Porter Dodson fee of £500.00 (capped) ❖ It would pay Wolferstans fee of £950.00 (capped) 	Clerk

11.0	Planning	
11.1	Applications	
11.1.1	20/14/0006 Removal of Conservatory and Erection of a Single Storey Extension to the Rear of 1 The Conies , Kingston St Mary (Amended Scheme to 20/13/0043) Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to the Planning Application.	Clerk
11.1.2	20/14/0007 Removal of Conservatory and Erection of a Single Storey Extension to the Rear of 1 The Conies , Kingston St Mary (Amended Scheme to 20/13/0044) Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to the Planning Application.	Clerk
11.1.3	20/14/0008 Notification to Fell One Horse Chestnut Tree within Kingston St Mary Conservation Area at 1 Meadow Close, Kingston St Mary Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to the Planning Application.	Clerk
11.1.4	20/14/0009 Replacement of Conservatory at Camplins Orchard, Church Lane, Kingston St Mary Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to the Planning Application.	Clerk
11.1.5	20/14/0010 Extension of Cattle Shed at Pickney, Near Taunton Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to the Planning Application.	Clerk
11.2	Granted None.	
12.0	Financial Matters	
12.1	Payments None.	
12.2	Receipts None.	
13.0	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ NALC - Repeal of Section 15 of the Local Government Act 1972 (two signature approval on cheques) ❖ SCC - Somerset Levels Relief Fund ❖ SALC - Local Government Finance Settlement 2014/2015 (Precept setting) ❖ TDBC - arrangements following Parish Liaison Officer's redundancy ❖ SCC - Dredging River Parrett and River Tone ❖ Connecting Devon and Somerset - Progress Update <p>The Parish Council noted the above.</p>	
14.0	Items for LinkUp <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Riparian Owners ❖ Speedwatch ❖ Planning Applications 	
15.0	Matters for Next Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Mill Stream 	

16.0	Date of Next Meeting Monday 14 April 2014 at 7.30PM. The meeting closed at 9.20PM.	
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Signed: _____ Date: _____