

KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2016

| Item Nr | Item | Action By |
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| 1.0 | <p>Attendance and Apologies</p> <p>In attendance: Cllr R Stokes (Chairman) Cllr M Anderson Cllr N Bradshaw Cllr J Clarke Cllr S Farnham Cllr J Marsh Cllr K Taylor Cllr N Townsend (PC and TDBC Councillor) Cllr A Wilcox Miss C Roche (Parish Clerk) Cllr H Prior-Sankey (TDBC Deputy Mayor) Four Members of the Public attended the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies received from: Cllr C Tucker (TDBC Councillor) Cllr D Wedderkopp (SCC Councillor) PCSO T Wearmouth (Avon and Somerset Police)</p> | |
| 2.0 | <p>Councillors Declarations of Interest in Any Agenda Item</p> <p>None received.</p> | |
| 3.0 | <p>Chairman’s Awards for Service to Community 2016</p> <p>Cllr Prior-Sankey read out the citation and presented Cllr Anderson with his award. Cllr Anderson thanked Cllr Prior-Sankey for the award. Item closed.</p> | |
| 4.0 | <p>Police Update</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she had not received a report from the Police, prior to the meeting.</p> | |
| 5.0 | <p>SCC Councillor Update</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she had not received a report from Cllr Wedderkopp, prior to the meeting.</p> | |
| 6.0 | <p>TDBC Councillor Update</p> <p>Cllr Townsend confirmed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Crowd funding was available for Broadband connection via Spacehive ❖ The Staplegrove Housing Assessment had been published ❖ New homes building statistics indicated that 512 house per annum over the 23 years would be built. The statistics cover Taunton Deane, Mendip, South Somerset and Sedgemoor councils ❖ Zip wires had been installed at Hudson Way Playing Field which might be worth looking, at when considering play equipment options for the Community Plan | |

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| 7.0 | <p>Fly Tipping Cllr Bradshaw advised that the fly tipping in Tarr Lane had been collected. Also Parsonage Lane was an area where fly tipping had recently occurred. Trailers and vans now had to register before visiting a Taunton waste/recycling centre, in order to reduce the waste/recycled materials being brought to these centres from outside the Taunton area, for which Taunton Deane were paying the disposal costs.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to write to TDBC Chief Executive regarding the correlation between the increase in fly tipping, the waste/recycling centres being closed when people needed to visit these and registering of trailers and vans.</p> | Clerk |
| 8.0 | <p>Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting dated 10 October 2016</p> <p>Resolved: The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.</p> | |
| 9.0 | <p>Matters Arising</p> | |
| 9.1 | <p>Mill Cross Chamber - Damage to Railings and Chamber Walls The Clerk advised that SCC Highways were obtaining statutory undertaker information and were anticipating repairing the chamber, in Autumn 2016. Also, she had contacted SCC Highways three times in recent weeks regarding the chamber repair but had received no reply. Ongoing</p> | C/F |
| 9.2 | <p>Repainting Direction and Fingerpost Signs The Clerk advised that she had contacted two painter/decorators regarding providing quotes for painting the finger post signs identified on the map. Cllr Townsend suggested that Cheddon Fitzpaine's Clerk be contacted, as the finger post signs in Cheddon Fitzpaine had recently been re-painted. Ongoing.</p> | Clerk |
| 9.3 | <p>Kingston Watercourses: Maintenance The Clerk advised that she had received an update from SCC Highways who confirmed that the culvert coming down Lodes Lane had been cleared of silt and also from the outfall of the culvert, the stream had been de-silted for 10 metres. Also, SCC Flood Water Management Team were still in dialog with a riparian owner regarding the management of the watercourse on his land. It was acknowledged that this issue had been ongoing since June 2014. Ongoing.</p> | C/F |
| 9.4 | <p>Kestercombe Lane Top Surface Dressing The Clerk advised SCC Highways had confirmed that Kestercombe Lane would not be resurfaced this year. Ongoing.</p> <p>The Clerk advised Cllr Townsend that SCC Highways had advised that it had cleared the gully in Tarr Lane that was blocked with silt deposited within it. Cllr Townsend offered to contact SCC Highways, as there may be confusion as to which gully was blocked. Ongoing.</p> | C/F Cllr Townsend |
| 9.5 | <p>Stiles The Clerk advised that SCC Rights of Way and the Parish Council had agreed to pay for two stiles each, to be replaced. However, one landowner was considering whether the two stiles on his land should be replaced. The Clerk advised that SC Rights of Way were ready to undertake the work and that she had instructed that if the landowner had not agreed to his stiles being replaced by the 16 November 2016, then the Parish Council would withdraw its offer of paying for one of these stiles to be replaced. Ongoing.</p> | C/F |

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| 9.6 | <p>North Taunton Urban Development - Outline Planning Application 34/16/0014</p> <p>The Chairman advised that the issues noted below were still to be resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The proposed development was out of scale with the surrounding area. It was four times the number of houses presently within KSM parish ❖ Present road network in north Taunton was already inadequate and would not be able to cope with additional traffic from the proposed development. This had been discussed at length with SCC who had not yet provided information from the traffic modelling that it had undertaken ❖ SCC argues that the Northern Outer Distributor Road was not required as it believed those living in the development would be cycling into the town centre ❖ PM Asset Management was rethinking the need for a new roundabout on Kingston Road and was now considering a signalised junction instead ❖ The controversial 'drop down' roads into Corkscrew Lane were required, to access the early stages of the development which would help fund the spine road. The impression given was that without the 'drop down' roads, it might not be possible to deliver the spine road at an early stage ❖ Without the 'drop down' roads, it would be possible to build 400+ homes on the east side using the proposed Kingston Road roundabout ❖ SCC Highways had written a detailed response to the promoters recommending that the Outline Planning Applications be refused as there were issues relating to the highway design ❖ The promoter was expecting most people living on the proposed development, to cycle into Taunton and that those living in KSM would be using the development's shops ❖ There were 17 access roads plus cycle and pedestrian paths along the spine road and it was proposed that some house frontages would be facing onto the spine road. This was considered unsafe and could disrupt the flow of traffic along the spine road ❖ TDBC's Landscape Officer and Biodiversity Officer, and other external consultees were critical of the proposed development. Their comments are available on TDBC Planning Portal and ROSAG's website ❖ It was not known when both Outline Planning Applications would be jointly before TDBC Planning Committee but Tim Burton had confirmed that many issues were still to be resolved and it was not expected the Applications would be considered in January/February 2017 ❖ For the Planning Committee Meeting to consider both Planning Applications at the same time, the meeting would not be held in Deane House due to the anticipated number of people who would be attending the meeting. A suitable venue was being sought | C/F |
| 9.7 | <p>Nailsbourne Parish Notice Board</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed that she had instructed Notice-It Ltd to replace this board, at a cost of £1270.00. Ongoing.</p> | C/F |
| 10.0 | <p>Planning</p> | |
| 10.1 | <p>Applications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 20/16/0034 Formation of Off-street Area in Front of Gardens of Nrs 8, 9 and 10 Parsonage Cottages, Parsonage Lane, Kingston St Mary (Retention of Works Already Undertaken) <p>Resolved:</p> <p>The Parish Council had no objection to the Planning Application.</p> | Clerk |
| 10.2 | <p>Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 20/16/0025 Conversion of Part of Garage to Holiday Let Accommodation at Larkhill, Nailsbourne Road, Nailsbourne (Resubmission of 20/15/0016) ❖ 20/16/0029 Application for Approval of Reserved Matters Following Outline Application 20/13/0038 for Appearance, Landscaping and Scale of Nr 1 Dwelling with Detached Garage on Land at 4 Meadow Close, Kingston St Mary <p>The Parish Council noted the above.</p> | |

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| 11.0 | Financial Matters | |
| 11.1 | Payments None required. | |
| 11.2 | Community Plan including A4A Grant Expenditure Cllr Marsh brought the Parish Council up to date with the Community Plan's progress and the timetable for printing and delivering the Plan to villagers. It was agreed that the Clerk, as the Data Protection Officer would telephone the Community Council for Somerset to ascertain who owns the data. The Community Plan expenditure was reviewed and it was agreed that all payments must be paid before any remaining money is returned to A4A, on the 21 April 2017. The Clerk confirmed that community activities such as litter picking were covered by the Parish Council's Public Liability insurance. | Clerk |
| 11.3 | Resolution: To Pay Community Council for Somerset £1855.00 Upon Resolving Community Plan Data Ownership Resolved: It was agreed to Pay CCS £1855.00 once data ownership query is resolved. | Clerk |
| 11.4 | Receipts None received. | |
| 11.5 | Internal Audit April to September 2016 Cllr Anderson advised the Parish Council that he had completed the internal audit and had found the Accounts to be in good order. Item closed. | |
| 11.6 | Precept 2017/2018 The draft budget was reviewed and the Clerk was requested to re-calculate the draft budget based on a £5.00 per house increase. Precept to be agreed at December 2016 meeting. | Clerk |
| 12.0 | Correspondence The Clerk advised that the following correspondence had been received: ❖ SCC - Highway Winter Service 2016/2017 ❖ SCC - Sustainability Transformation Plan ❖ Centre for Sustainable Energy - Smart Meter Presentation ❖ Community Council for Somerset - CIL Workshop ❖ Local Boundary Commission - Electoral Review of Taunton Deane ❖ NHS - Free NHS Health Checks | |
| 13.0 | Matters for Next Meeting None | |
| 14.0 | Items for LinkUp ❖ Precept Increase ❖ Fly Tipping ❖ Merry Christmas wishes ❖ Date of next Parish Council meeting | |

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| 15.0 | Date of Next Meeting Monday 12 December 2016 at 7.30PM. The meeting closed at 9.40PM. | |
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