

KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2016

Item Nr	Item	Action By
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 N Townsend (PC and TDBC Councillor) Cllr A Wilcox Miss C Roche (Parish Clerk) Two Members of the Public attended the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies received from: Cllr K Taylor 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>Cllrs Bradshaw and Wilcox declared an interest in item 8.1 (Planning Application 20/16/0029).</p>	
3.0	<p>Police Update</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she had not received a report from the Police prior to the meeting.</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she had received the West Taunton Beat Team contact details poster which were now displayed in the noticeboards. Item closed.</p> <p>Cllr Bradshaw advised that a Family Day on the Playing Field was not held during the summer holidays. Item closed.</p>	
4.0	<p>SCC Councillor Update</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she had not received a report from Cllr Wedderkopp, prior to the meeting.</p>	
5.0	<p>TDBC Councillor Update</p> <p>Cllr Townsend confirmed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A meeting was being held in West Monkton Village Hall on the 23 November 2016, to explain Community Infrastructure Levy and Section 106 ❖ The Boundary Commission review was presently taking place. It was proposed to reduce the number of TDBC Councillors from 56 to 43, at the next district election due in May 2019 ❖ Cheddon Fitzpaine PC had requested alignment of their parish boundary with West Monkton ❖ Taunton Deane and West Somerset councils had voted to merge. West Somerset is in serious financial difficulties but Taunton Deane would not be taking on this debt. It was anticipated that there would be some redundancies as a result of the merger. Sedgemoor District Council had been invited to join the merger ❖ Future business rates from Hinkley Point C are likely to go to central government and not the merged councils 	

6.0	<p>Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting dated 18 July 2016</p> <p>Resolved: The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.</p>	
7.0	<p>Matters Arising</p>	
7.1	<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.</p>	C/F
7.2	<p>Repainting Direction and Fingerpost Signs Cllr Stokes requested that Councillors identify which signs within the parish required re-painting. Ongoing.</p>	C/F
7.3	<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
7.4	<p>Kestercombe Lane Top Surface Dressing The Clerk advised that the blocked surface water drain near Brook Cottage had been cleared. Item closed.</p> <p>Cllr Townsend requested that the Clerk contact SCC Highways to inquire when the top surface dressing would be taking place, as the date on the advisory sign had changed three times since July 2016.</p>	Clerk
7.5	<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. Ongoing.</p>	C/F
7.6	<p>Community Plan Steering Group Update The Parish Council was advised of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The completed surveys had been analysed by the Community Council for Somerset and a draft report received ❖ There had been a 56% response rate overall. However, the rate was higher among the 65+ age group and this may have weighted the results. This was currently being reviewed ❖ A second Youth Pizza Evening was being held on the 14 October 2016, to provide the survey's feedback to the youth and to help build a bridge between the private and state schools ❖ Next Community Plan public meeting had been arranged for 20 October 2016 	C/F
7.7	<p>North Taunton Urban Development - Outline Planning Application 34/16/0014 The Chairman summarised the outcome of the meetings that had been held during August and September 2016 with SCC, TDBC, the promoters, Staplegrove and Kingston St Mary Parish Councils and representatives of two residents' groups, as follows:</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 	C/F

<p>7.7 cont.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 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 ❖ Cllr Bradshaw asked if the Community Plan results could be sent to SCC, TDBC, ROSAG, Mrs Pow (MP) and Sustrans regarding the desire to have a cycle path from KSM to Taunton, linking with the proposed development. The Chairman suggested that she write to those identified accordingly ❖ TDBC’s Landscape Officer and Biodiversity Officer had criticised 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 before December 2016 ❖ 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 	
<p>7.8</p>	<p>Nailsbourne Parish Notice Board The Clerk confirmed that she had instructed Notice-It Ltd to replace this board at a cost of £1270.00. Ongoing.</p>	<p>C/F</p>
<p>8.0</p>	<p>Planning</p>	
<p>8.1</p>	<p>Applications</p>	
<p>8.1.1</p>	<p>20/16/0029 Application for Approval of Reserved Matters following Outline Application 20/13/0038 for Appearance, Landscapping and Scale of 1 Nr Dwelling with Detached Garage on Land at 4 Meadow Close, Kingston St Mary Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to the above Planning Application.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>8.1.2</p>	<p>20/16/0030 Erection of Single Storey Extension to form Store at Highfield, Nailsbourne The Clerk apologised but she could not locate the paperwork in her folder. It was agreed that she would e-mail the Application to Councillors the following morning for their consideration.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>8.2</p>	<p>Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 20/16/0022 Application for Prior Notification for an Agricultural Road Access on Land at Fitzroy Farm, Fitzroy Road, Fitzroy ❖ 20/16/0023 Erection of Single Storey Rear Extension at The Old Stables, Tainfield Park, Kingston St Mary ❖ 20/16/0024 Notification to Fell One Eucalyptus Tree Within Kingston St Mary Conservation Area at Camplins Orchard, Church Lane, Kingston St Mary <p>The Parish Council noted the above.</p>	

9.0	Financial Matters	
9.1	Payments ❖ SALC £30.00 (Chairmanship Training for Cllr Bradshaw on 28 July 2016) ❖ Parish Clerk £32.40 (Parish Clerk's Expenses 1 July 2016 to 30 September 2016) ❖ HMRC £151.76 (Parish Clerk's Income Tax July - September 2016) Resolved: The Parish Council agreed to make the above payments.	Clerk
9.2	Revised Budget 2016-2017: Review The Parish Councillors and Clerk reviewed the revised budget 2016/2017 and agreed that it would be reviewed again, in December 2016.	Clerk
10.0	Correspondence The Clerk advised that the following correspondence had been received: ❖ Somerset Waste Partnership: new arrangements at recycling centres ❖ HSBC: interest rate changes	
11.0	Matters for Next Meeting ❖ Community Plan	Clerk
12.0	Items for LinkUp ❖ Planning Applications ❖ Staplegrove Development ❖ Keep drains cleared ❖ Somerset Waste Partnership arrangements ❖ Date of next Parish Council meeting	
13.0	Date of Next Meeting Monday 10 October 2016 at 7.30PM. The meeting closed at 9.10PM.	

Signed:

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