

KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN KINGSTON ST MARY PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL, KINGSTON ST MARY, ON MONDAY 12th MARCH 2007 FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Councillors

J W Fitton (Chairman)	J M Aldrich
K J Taylor	D S Bradley
C Miles	D Leach
W R I Barrie	J L Clarke
S B Harris	

The Clerk - Mrs T J Canavan; and 0 members of the public attended the meeting.

2 APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 12th February 2007.

Resolved

The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST in any Agenda item

Cllr J L Clarke declared an interest in Item 11.1: Planning application 20/2007/004 – reason: he lives adjacent to the property; and Planning application 20/2007/006 – reason: he overlooks the property.

Cllr S B Harris declared an interest in Item 11.1: Planning application 20/2007/007 – reason: he lives in close proximity to the property.

4 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC -The Chairman will allow questions from members of the public – nil.

Cllr Taylor left the room at 8.24pm.

5 HIGHWAYS/FOOTPATHS

5.1 Footpath opposite the Swan to the Post Office

Work on the footpath has started. It is hoped that once finished the footpath will slow traffic down due to the road being narrower.

Cllr Taylor returned to the room at 8.27pm.

5.2 Pinch Point at Mill Cross

The Clerk advised that she had been contacted by neither Mr N Pincombe nor PC Andy Davies following the last meeting.

Resolved

The Clerk will contact Mr Pincombe and PC Davies to chase the information.

- 6 HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY** – It was reported that most of the survey forms had now been delivered by the Parish Council. The deadline for returning completed forms to the Community Council for Somerset is the 16 April 2007.
- 7 PARISH PLAN** – It was decided not to discuss the Parish Plan as it had been discussed at length at the Annual Parish Meeting that preceded the Parish Council meeting.
- 8 LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS** – Nomination papers had been distributed prior to the meeting. Councillors were reminded that the last date and time for receipt of nominations is 12 noon on Wednesday 4th April.

9 CONSULTATION

9.1 A Revised Model Code of Conduct for Local Authority Members

Resolved

That there would be no response to the above consultation paper.

10 CORRESPONDENCE

- 10.1 TDBC bulletin - Cllr Bradley
- 10.2 Somerset County Council – Area Working Panels update
- 10.3 Calor Village of the Year information leaflet
- 10.4 Voluntary Sector Training Alliance – Training Programme 2007
- 10.5 “Enjoy England – Celebrate St George’s Day” – promotional flyer

Matters arising from correspondence:

- 10.2 The Clerk is to pass details of next Area Working Panel to H. Masterton-Smith. It may be of interest to the Parish Plan.
- 10.3 It was felt that a year’s lead in was needed before entering the competition. Will therefore suggest entering next year’s competition.
- 10.4 The Clerk will pass on details to H. Masterton-Smith for the Parish Plan. The Clerk will also place details in Link Up.
- 10.5 The Clerk will place details in Link Up.

11 PLANNING MATTERS

11.1 Applications

20/2007/009T – Application to pollard four oak trees and one ash tree included in Taunton Deane Borough (KSM No 1) TPO (2007) beside the road to the west of Quantock Way, KSM (TD1024)

Resolved

It was noted that the application had already been approved by TDBC therefore no comments would be made/necessary.

20/2007/004 – Erection of an agricultural store building adjoining existing

agricultural building at Tetton Farm, KSM

Resolved

That having considered the above application the PC has no objections and supports the application

20/2007/006 – Erection of two storey extension, covered area, pergola, change of use of agricultural land to residential, new drive and entrance, and block up previous entrance at Parsonage Farm, KSM

Resolved

That having considered the above application the PC has no objections.

The Clerk was then asked to leave the meeting before the following application was discussed as it relates to her property.

20/2007/007 – Part conversion of garage to extend existing study at 12 Sawyers Leigh, KSM

Resolved

That having considered the above application the PC has no objections and supports the application.

The Clerk returned to the meeting.

11.2 Waiting Decisions

20/2006/037 – Amendment to wording of condition 5 of permission

20/2005/005 at Mill Meadow, Parsonage Lane, KSM

20/2006/038 – Amendment to wording of condition 6 of permission

20/2005/022 at Mill Meadow, Parsonage Lane, KSM

20/2006/039 – Amendment to wording of condition 3 of permission

20/2006/026 at Mill Meadow, Parsonage Lane, KSM

11.3 Granted permission

20/2007/002 – Erection of conservatory, double garage/domestic workshop/store and retaining wall at Stoneybrooke, Nailsbourne

20/2007/001 – Erection of dwelling for person involved with running of Flying Start Riding Centre, and new track through field at Flying Start Riding Centre, Fulford Road, KSM

20/2007/003AGN – Erection of polytunnel at Lower Portman Farm, Fitzroy, Taunton

11.4 Refused Permission - Nil

11.5 Withdrawn - Nil

11.6 Other

Taunton Deane Borough Council – letter informing Parish Councils of changes to delegated powers – The Clerk had circulated with the agenda a letter from Tim Burton, Development Control Manager, advising of changes to delegated powers in determining planning applications. The Clerk wondered if there had been changes to the way in which Parish Council

comments would be considered, and if so had the Parish Councils been consulted?

Resolved

Cllr Bradley is to check and feed back to Parish Council.

Correspondence from Mr Heayns dated 15/02/07 and 21/02/07 (copy attached for members). To consider whether to make any further reply and to give guidance to the Clerk as to the content of such a reply – the correspondence was discussed.

Resolved

The Parish Council will make no further reply to these pieces of correspondence.

The Parish Council also advised the Clerk that any further correspondence from Mr Heayns regarding this matter should be placed on the next meeting's agenda for discussion.

12 SUBMISSION TO LINK-UP

Resolved

That the following should be included:

- Annual Parish Meeting – to include that the meeting was successful and also to thank H. Masterton-Smith for his work in leading the Parish Plan project
- Housing Needs Survey – reminder that forms need to be returned by 16th April.
- Voluntary Sector Training Alliance – Training Programme 2007
- “Enjoy England – Celebrate St George’s Day”
- Highways Maintenance telephone number 0845 345 9155

13 FINANCIAL MATTERS

13.1 Councillors to approve letter to HSBC advising of change in Clerk’s salary and to amend S/O – Cllrs were reminded that they had resolved to increase the Clerk’s monthly salary to £228.11 at the last meeting.

Resolved

The Parish Council approved and signed the letter.

13.2 Audit Commission – Advising Parish Council of appointment of external Auditor – the Clerk advised that Moore Stephens had been appointed as the Parish Council’s external Auditor. No objections were raised.

13.3 Footpath Cutting – Councillors to advise Clerk of which contractors to contact for quotes for grass cutting and footpath work.

Resolved

That the following three contractors should be contacted:
Chedzoy; Parsons; and Taunton Deane DLO

13.4 Payments:

Resolved

That the following payments should be made:

Clerk's Salary S/O

Kingston St Mary Primary School (hall booking) £18.50

It was resolved that the payment to SALC (affiliation fee) should be delayed to the April meeting as the payment relates to the next financial year and provisions have been made for this in the 2007/08 budget. The affiliation fee for 2006/07 has already been paid.

14 URGENT MATTERS RAISED WITH THE CHAIRMAN'S PERMISSION AND ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA –

It was brought to the PC's attention by Cllr Barrie that the newly refurbished finger post opposite The Swan Pub is rusting. Cllr Barrie had taken photographs on 7th March.

Resolved

That the photographs and a letter should be sent to SCC highlighting the unsatisfactory work.

15 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – Nil

16 DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Mon 16 April 2007

Mon 14 May 2007

Mon 11 June 2007

Mon 9 July 2007

Mon 10 September 2007

Mon 8 October 2007

Mon 12 November 2007

Mon 10 December 2007

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

Signed

Date: