

KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 8TH JUNE 2009

Chair for the Meeting

Due to the absence of the current Chair, the Vice Chairman, Cllr Hancock, Chaired the meeting.

1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

Resolved:

Members re-elected Cllr R M Stokes as the Chairman and Cllr C G Hancock as the Vice Chairman.

2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

In Attendance: Councillors:

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| C G Hancock | W R I Barrie |
| C Miles | S B Harris |
| R J L Flood | D S Bradley |
| K J Taylor | J L Clarke |

The Clerk, Ms C Hardy and one member of the public attended the meeting.

Apology for absence was received from Cllr Stokes

3 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Resolved:

Members elected the following:

3.1 Planning Advisory Group: Cllrs Miles, Clarke and Barrie. In addition Cllr Stoke as Chairman to continue to receive planning applications and to liaise with the Group as appropriate. This Group to be advisory and report to the main Parish Council Meetings.

3.2 SALC: Cllr Dilly Bradley

4 ITEMS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – None

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST – None

6 APPROVAL OF MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 11th May 2009.

Resolved:

The minutes were approved and signed as a true record.

7 MATTERS ARISING

7.1 Footpath following Relocation of telephone box – Highways have made good the area where the telephone box had been located and have also moved the rubbish bin off the path. A letter dated 27th May 2009 had been received from TDBC responding to the request from the Parish Council for a dog litterbin, advising

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that this could not be provided. They confirmed that it was acceptable for dog litterbags to be disposed in the normal rubbish bin. The bag in the rubbish bin continued to be a problem with it not being fitted correctly with the contents regularly strewn on the path and road.

Resolved:

It was agreed for the Clerk to contact TDBC requesting staff remove the outer cover before fitting the bag in the rubbish bin.

Clerk

7.2 White lines on road – Nothing further to report

C/F

7.3 Nailsbourne sign – Nothing further to report

C/F

7.4 Flood risk assessment – Nothing further to report on this.

C/F

7.5 Speedwatch – To be carried forward to next meeting.

C/F

8 PLANNING MATTERS

8.1 Applications – none received.

8.2 Awaiting Decision:

20/09/0007 Demolition of lean to extension to the rear of property and erection of two storey extension to the side and rear of property at 2 Tainfield Cottages, Nailsbourne Road, KSM – the Clerk reported that TDBC had not yet responded with information about the conversion work to an existing garage. Members also discussed that the property's garden appears to be extended into an agricultural field.

Resolved:

The Clerk to contact the Planning Department to follow up the Parish Council's query relating to the use of the garage and enquire about the use of the agricultural field.

Clerk

8.3 Granted:

20/09/004 Erection of extension to provide link to utility area, alterations to barn windows and doors and internal layout at Cutley House, Yarford Road, KSM.

20/09/0006T Application to carry out management work to one monkey-puzzle tree within KSM conservation area at the Grange, KSM.

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS

9.1 Maintenance Grants 2009/10 – TDBC had requested no increase by the Parish Council for Grants this year.

Resolved:

It was agreed that the Grants to be requested would remain at £250 for Footpaths, £500 for the Burial Ground and £500 for the Playing Field. However, as there had been no increase for some considerable time it was agreed that a full review of the situation should be undertaken prior to next year's bids.

Clerk

9.2 Payments

Resolved:

That payment be made to: MIND for £100 as a donation by the Internal Auditor, Terry Waymouth for his fee.

Clerk

10 GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE, MILLFIELD ECO PROJECTS LTD., MILLFIELD HOUSE, PARSONAGE LANE, KSM – The Clerk had obtained a copy of the Vehicle & Operator Service Agency document "A guide to making representations and complaints". Members referred to "Part 2 Representations" in the document under 2.4 where it outlined that Parish Councils cannot make representations unless they are owners or occupiers of affected land in the vicinity of an operating centre although they could approach a local authority to do so.

Resolved

Following discussion it was agreed not to take any action on this occasion.

11 TDBC PAPERS – Cllr Barrie had reviewed these and updated Members on topics. There were no new items of interest.

12 CORRESPONDENCE

12.1 Letter dated 21st May from Avon & Somerset Police Authority – Members reviewed the information available on the Policing Plan and in particular the measures for dealing with crime and offenders.

Resolved

The Clerk to write to Avon and Somerset Police Authority and advise them that the Parish Council is very satisfied with the Community Policing in the parish. However Members felt that the proposed measures in the Plan were focused on targets and that it did not highlight the dissatisfaction of victims. Levels being proposed still left unsolved crime rates at 80% for robberies, 83% for domestic burglaries and 58% for Racial and other Hate Crime.

Clerk

12.2 Letter dated 27th May from TDBC Strategy Unit – Members noted the Corporate Strategy.

Resolved

The Clerk to obtain a hard copy and forward to Cllr Hancock. It was agreed that there was nothing to discuss at this stage.

Clerk

12.3 Letter dated 29th May from TDBC Workshop on the future of the DLO Services on 23rd June.

Resolved

Cllr Bradley agreed to attend.

Cllr
Bradley

12.4 Letter dated 5th May from Mrs. Huleatt Boyd – Members discussed concerns raised regarding road signage in Parsonage Lane and the speed of traffic but took account of there being no 30mph speed limit. Mrs. Huleatt Boyd was ascertaining whether Highways had been in touch with the Parish Council. She stated that Mr. Titcombe would discuss action over signs with the Parish Council.

Resolved

Cllr Flood to ask Community Speedwatch if it was possible to check the average speed by Parsonage Cottages and Treetops despite the road having

no 30 mph speed limit. Cllr Flood to report back to the Parish Council Meeting. The Clerk to contact Mr. Titcombe at Highways to ascertain what was agreed with Mrs. Huleatt Boyd as well as to write to her informing her of the action being taken by the Parish Council.

Cllr Flood
Clerk

12.5 Email from Traffic Engineer dated 18th May – Members noted the information provided on the Speed Indicator Device Results for KSM.

13 ITEMS FOR LINK UP

That the following items are to be included:

- The re-election of Cllr Stokes as the Chairman and Cllr Hancock as the Vice Chairman
- The Parish Council had noted the extensive use of notice boards in the Parish. The Clerk to research what improvements could be made to the notice boards and to ask organisers to kindly take down notices after events.

14 ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- Footpaths
- Traffic calming

15 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

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| Mon 20 th July 2009 | Mon 14 th Sept 2009 | Mon 12 th Oct 2009 |
| Mon 9 th Nov 2009 | Mon 14 th Dec 2009 | |

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm

Signed: Date: