

**KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD AT THE KINGSTON ST MARY PRIMARY SCHOOL ON MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2010**

Item Nr	Item	Action By
1.0	<p><b>Attendance and Apologies</b></p> <p>In attendance: Cllr R M Stokes (Chairman) Cllr D S Bradley Cllr Clarke Cllr R Flood Cllr C G Hancock Cllr S Harris Cllr C Miles Cllr K J Taylor (part)</p> <p>County Cllr Waymouth; Ms Cathy Hardy and Miss Caroline Roche (Parish Clerks) PC Andy Davies and 4 members of the public were also in attendance.</p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Barrie.</p>	
2.0	<p><b>Items from Members of the Public</b></p> <p>No items were received from members of the public.</p>	
3.0	<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>None declared.</p>	
4.0	<p><b>Approval of Minutes</b> of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2010</p> <p>Item 9 - Mis-spelling of Pickney.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> Subject to the above amendment, the Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.</p>	
5.0	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p>	
5.1	<p><b>Grit Box</b> - Further discussions took place on the location of a grit box.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> SCC Highways to be requested to locate grit box on the right hand side of Church Lane by end of parking area. County Cllr Waymouth advised that the Parish Council could if, so required, request more grit boxes at a cost of £167.00 + VAT. If more grit is required during the winter months, the Parish Council can contact County Cllr Waymouth.</p>	Clerk
5.2	<p><b>Speed Signs by School, Greenways</b> - Response now received from SCC. Due to SCC Highway Policy, the Council will not change the speed limit on this stretch of road. Item closed.</p>	
5.3	<p><b>Litter Bin</b> - The litter bin was now in situ but it was lopsided.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> The Clerk to request SCC Highways to realign the litter bin.</p>	Clerk

5.4	<b>White Lines on Kingston Road.</b> Nothing further to report.	
5.5	<b>Flood Risk Assessment</b> - Nothing further to report. Further discussions took place on potential risk of flooding in the event of severe storms on the Quantocks.  <b>Resolved:</b> Cllr Hancock to progress with the Environment Agency.	Cllr Hancock
5.6	<b>Repainting White Lines on the Green</b> - actioned. Item closed	
5.7	<b>Flooding on Kingston Road</b> - A letter has been received from SCC Highways who confirmed that they were aware of the problem. They hoped to find a solution by winter 2010/2011. To be followed up.	C/F
5.8	<b>Annual Parish Meeting</b> - Held prior to the Parish Council Meeting. During the meeting, presentations were made by a number of village organisations.	
5.9	<b>Parish Clerk</b> - Interviews were held and the Panel proposed to appoint Caroline Roche.  <b>Resolved:</b> It was agreed to appoint Caroline Roche to the position of Parish Clerk, wef April 1. Training courses were also approved by the Councillors.	
5.10	<b>Taunton Deane Borough Council Strategies</b> - Cllr Bradley had responded to TDBC on Green Space and Community Halls Strategies	
5.11	<b>Planning Applications</b>  <b>Awaiting Response</b> - 20/10/0003 Erection of a steel framed calf rearing shed on north side of farm courtyard at Sweeters Pocket, Pickney Lane, Kingston St Mary.	C/F
5.12	<b>Request To Share Radar Gun</b> - No progress to date. Clerk is liaising with Staplegrove and West Monkton Parish Councils.	C/F
6.0	<b>Community Issues</b>  PC Andy Davies reported that there had been 7 crimes between 1 January 2010 and 31 March 2010, including 2 thefts of motor vehicles and damage to the Playing Field Pavilion.	
7.0	<b>Staddons Farm</b>  The Chairman said he had chaired a meeting that Keys Childcare Company had held with local residents who had expressed concerns about Staddons Farm being used as a residential centre. The Company reassured residents that children under their supervision were not a no danger to the public They agreed to erect a sign at the entrance to direct delivery drivers Staddons Farm, to instigate a ring round system when the children run away from the centre and arrange further meetings with residents.  County Cllr Waymouth thanked the Chairman for his assistance.	

8.0	<p><b>TDBC Papers</b></p> <p>It was noted that Greenbrook Terrace car park and Castle Street in Taunton were being closed from 19 April 2010 as part of the new river bridge construction. There is a drop in evening on the 14 April 2010 at North Town Community Primary School for further information.</p>	
9.0	<p><b>Planning Matters</b></p> <p>Applications: 20/10/0004 Erection of detached 3-bedroom dwelling for accommodation for Warden/Manager and dependents; in connection with tourism business and carp fishery together with separate service and storage facilities at Mill Meadow, Parsonage Lane.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> The Parish Council unanimously agreed to <b>object</b> to the granting of permission for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It would result in overdevelopment of the site.</li> <li>2. The last conditional planning permission on this site in 2007 stated ‘the Local Planning Authority consider that any further development on this site may prejudice a satisfactory layout which would be in conflict with Taunton Deane Local Plan Policies S1 and S2’.</li> <li>3. The proposed accommodation for the warden and his/her family would be a permanent three bedroom family residence outside the settlement limit on a site where previously permission has only been given for holiday units which cannot be occupied as full time homes throughout the year.</li> <li>4. The four holiday units so far constructed at Mill Meadow do not warrant a manager living on site.</li> <li>5. The applicant’s home and registered office is adjacent to the site - originally built as a managers’ house for the former nursery - and is ideally situated for the supervision of the holiday accommodation.</li> </ol> <p><i>Cllr Taylor left the meeting at 9.25pm.</i></p>	
10.0	<p><b>Financial Matters</b></p> <p><b>Declaration of Interest:</b> Item 10.1 - Cllr Miles is a member of the Pat Holcombe Fun Run Charity.</p>	
10.1	<p><b>Grants:</b> Pat Holcombe Fun Run</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> It was agreed to donate £50.00 to St John’s Ambulance who had provided services on the day.</p>	
10.2	<p><b>Receipts:</b> £200 to purchase a grit box had been received from SCC organised by Cllr Waymouth. Received with thanks</p>	
10.3	<p><b>Payments:</b> Parish Clerk Salary for April 2010. HM Revenue and Customs Income Tax for Clerk’s salary. Subscription for Community Council for Somerset £30.00. Renewal of data protection licence £35.00. AON - renewal of annual insurance £500.95. TDBC supply and installation of litter bin £303.15.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> All items approved except the litter bin which is on hold pending re-alignment by TDBC.</p>	

10.4	<p><b>Standing Order for new Parish Clerk.</b></p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> A monthly standing order for the payment of the new Parish Clerk's salary was agreed.</p>	
10.5	<p>Chedzoy Landscape Gardener - £310 quotation for grass cutting for the forthcoming year.</p> <p><b>Resolved:</b> It was agreed to continue with the services of Chedzoy Landscape Gardener.</p>	
11.0	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>11.1 NALC E-mail - Conference and exhibition on Localism in Action. It was confirmed that no Councillor wished to attend</p> <p>11.2 SCC Environment - Minerals Core Strategy for consultation - It was agreed that the Parish Council did not wish to comment on this Strategy.</p> <p>11.3 Somerset Waste Partnership additional recycling box for plastic bottles, cardboard and cans - It was acknowledged that households would be storing more recycling boxes in the future.</p> <p>11.4 BT letter regarding red kiosk box in Fulford - Cllr Harris agreed to take a look at the condition of the kiosk and report back at next Parish Council meeting.</p> <p><b>12.0 Items for Link Up</b></p> <p>The following items were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Success of footpaths clearance</li> <li>➤ Annual Parish Meeting</li> <li>➤ Grit bin for next winter in Church Lane</li> <li>➤ New Parish Clerk</li> </ul> <p><b>13.0 Dates of Future Meetings</b></p> <p>Monday 10 May 2010 Monday 14 June 2010 Monday 19 July 2010 Monday 13 September 2010 Monday 11 October 2010 Monday 8 November 2010 Monday 13 December 2010</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.45pm.</p>	Cllr Harris

Signed: ..... Date: .....