

Keinton Mandeville Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the above named Parish Council, held on
Tuesday 4 October 2011, at the village hall at 7.30pm.

Present

Brendan O'Hara, Michael Richardson, John Whitehouse, Beverley Goodall, Tom Ireland, Sarah Cooke, Amanda Williams.

In attendance

Jimmy Zouche, County Councillor; John Calvert, District Councillor; Sue Graham, Clerk
2 members of the public

Public Session

John Calvert talked about the following

- New planning legislation and the fact that it contains some new terminology which is confusing. i.e. 'presumption in favour of sustainable development', the phrase is widely not understood.
- Neighbourhood plan - there may be money available from SDDC to help.
- A meeting on 9th November (230pm) to discuss the draft core strategy for area east. If someone could represent the PC it would be helpful.
- Chancellor's speech on 3rd October which suggested an extra grant to councils equivalent to 2.5%. For SDDC this is approx. £220,000 it will be difficult decision about whether to accept and there will be some massive cuts nevertheless.
- He has not yet been able to establish ownership of the green on Irving Road.

Jimmy Zouche spoke about the following

- SID review. Because of cuts the eastbound speed indicator will not be funded but the westbound one will remain for this year. It is a decision for the council whether it wishes to fund it. Will be reviewed annually.

Other issues raised

- Query regarding the suitability of the location for the SID.
- Mobile speed cameras seem to be being used more frequently.
- SID needs to be located further back towards Lydford if possible to slow traffic down as it is coming into the village. Noted that they can only put it inside the 30mph zone.
- Western Power recently installed 4 way traffic controls in the village and potentially causing a traffic jam in Castle St because of the positioning of the lights on Queen Street. BOH wondered if we could be routinely informed when such traffic controls were going to be installed.

Council Meeting

1. **Apologies** – Chris Lane and Helen Beal

2. **Declarations** – B Goodall, T Ireland re item 4 planning

3. **Minutes of last meeting: 6th September 2011**

- The minutes were agreed and signed as a true and correct record of the meeting held. 1st JW 2nd BG unanimous
- Matters arising from the minutes not covered by items on this agenda. There were no matters arising.

4 **Planning.**

The following application was considered

Application number 11/033635/LBC Application for new planning permission for a proposed annex extension to replace extant permission 08/02821/LBC to extend the time limit for implementation. Ivy House, Queen Street, Keinton Mandeville. Observations were invited and comments were made as follows

BG and TI declared an interest and did not take part in the discussion or the vote.

No objections – recommend approval 1st JW 2nd AW unanimous

4a. **Determination of Planning.** The following determination was read out
11/02847/FUL Demolition of existing extensions and the erection of a replacement extension. The Barn, Barton Road, Keinton Mandeville. Grant permission subject to conditions.

4b. **Other planning matters**

Planning consultant contact re Lakeview Quarry. Noted that the planning consultant re Lakeview Quarry has been in touch with the PC via the clerk. Planning consultant wished to attend a PC meeting and to hold a public consultation. Will wait for further contact from consultant about this.

5. Finance and Payments (RFO – Clerk) The following payments were agreed 1st BG 2nd TI unanimous.

- a) Payments
 - Clerk's salary S. Graham September 2011. £230.18
 - SSDC Newsletter printing £23.45
- b) Receipts – the following receipts had been received – bank interest £2.69
- c) Review of Accounts, presentation of bank reconciliation to be agreed and signed by Councillors. The accounts were reviewed. Expenditure last month was £578.52, income was £2.69 and the bank balance is £21169.11. The bank statements are showing a total of £21169.11. There are no outstanding receipts / payments.
- d) Grant requests. Receive the following grant requests
 - Wincanton Sports Centre. This was formally noted and will be carried forward to the January meeting when all outside grant requests will be considered.

6. Highways

Update / Items to report

The Chair reported fruitful meeting with C Fletcher from Highways at which the following was agreed

- Road markings to be re painted at Queen Street junction
- Highways will repair fingerposts
- Damage to kerbstones on Queen St crossroads noted
- Vehicle height restriction signs will be re-done
- Irving Road – would be possible to install railings but could not give guarantees about this.
- Church St / Queen St junction – road markings to be painted to properly separate traffic. Will also paint give way signs on road.
- No objections to location of grit bins
- Worth doing a survey of traffic, particularly lorries coming through village and write to companies to ask whether it is necessary for them to come through the village.

Other items to report

- Cottons Lane road surface is cracking, Babcary Lane is in poor condition, clerk to report to highways (Mendip and South Somerset).

Irving Road

- Nothing further to report

Castle Street / High Street – SID results and speeding traffic.

- Discussion in public session refers, together with bullet point above.

Grit bin – discuss purchase of further bin(s) / salt.

- The chair reported that 2 Grit bins will cost £270 each + installation and whilst there was an undertaking from SCC to fill the bins initially there was a degree of uncertainty about how regularly the bins would be replenished.
- Bags of grit (x50) would cost the PC approx £165. It was proposed that it may be worth buying the grit and locating at strategic points in the village i.e. Queen St / Church St junction, Keinton Stores, top of Queen Street before committing to buy the bins. This was agreed 1st BG 2nd TI unanimous. BO'H to arrange.

Correspondence From SCC

- Speed Indicator Device Review for 2012 installations - invitation to contribute to funding. It was agreed that this was not something on which the PC could justify the expenditure 1st JW 2nd BG unanimous
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7. Parish Paths

Update / items to report

- BOH has asked the RoW team to clarify the line of the footpath on Blind Lane.
- Sign post for footpath to quarry has been reinstated

- Fallen tree is blocking footpath to rear of Sheridan house / playing field.

8. Happy Tracks / Skate park

Update

- Benches due to be installed. The soil by the railings has sunk exposing the concrete. Will be looking at when installing benches etc.

Receive inspection report.

- Still waiting for the report from playdale ongoing issues and railings reported as above.

9. Neighbourhood watch

- The monthly report was received

10. Maintenance

Agree requirements

- Bracket for Christmas tree to be installed
- Clean and preserve wooden footpath signs
- Phone box paint

11. Suggestion box

- Carried forward to next meeting

12. Youth

Youth Activities and youth worker – update

- Amanda Williams is running hockey sessions – 4 have taken place so far. Amanda was thanked for volunteering for this.
- Children's dance sessions are being run by KMSFA. The second session is running at a loss. SC requested that money set aside for youth worker funding could pay for this? It would cost £270 1st AW 2nd MR unanimous. SC requested for an agenda item at the next meeting to precept for the street dance sessions.

13. Village Hall field

Update

Funding applications are being completed. VAT is a large extra cost. The Treasurer of the committee is looking at what relief may be available.

14. Diamond Jubilee

- Discuss possible village 'event.' KMSFA would like to arrange a Jubilee event – tea party, bunting. The hall has been booked for Saturday 3rd June in the afternoon. Clerk to inform the school
Correspondence from Butleigh Cricket Club was received about a 'beer festival' they are running over the jubilee weekend. To be passed on to village organisations who may be interested in being involved.

15. SALC AGM / Area meeting

Update.

BOH reported that he had attended this meeting. He reported the following

- D Heath spoke about new planning regulations. Some confusion apparent about meaning of sustainable was discussed (as raised in public session)
- P Lacey has given 'wish list' (reflecting interests of PCs) to D Heath including a request for a change to the law that will not allow clerk to deliver agendas electronically.
- Warning that localism refers only to the larger authorities and PCs not on the radar
- Change of constituency boundaries, our constituency would include Wincanton and Glastonbury under the new proposals.

16. Funeral Bier

- JZ has spoken with officer i/c of the museum, he is aware of the PC request about the funeral bier and will respond.
- JZ suggested that the museum should be mentioned in the Parish Magazine

17. Correspondence

Discussion

- From S Shaw – Sustainable communities, new proposal to help empower Parish and Town Councils. Decided not to proceed with this.
- From RHS – Britain in Bloom – refer to Church / parish magazine.
- Bulb planting – wild flower meadow, happy tracks, corner of Chistles Lane
- From SALC - Local Government Boundary Review – discussed at 15 above.
- From Buckingham Palace Press Office – Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend – this has been discussed at *item 14 jubilee event*.
- From Clerks and Councils Direct, Queens Diamond Jubilee Mugs offer this was discussed under *item 14* suggested may be possible to source from cheaper supplier.

Circulation. The following items were placed in this month's circulation file.

- From SSDC Area East Bulletin
- Yeovil District Hospital Annual Report
- Summary of SALC area meeting
- NALC guidance – how to consider a planning application

18. Parish magazine

Items for inclusion in the November edition

- Castle Museum Taunton open
- Grants available for local groups
- Buy grit to do your own paths, PC will buy grit for the roads
- Stranger danger reminder following incident at school pick up time.
- Butleigh beer festival
- Community oil buying scheme
- Britain in Bloom RHS
- Book swap up and running – looking healthy

19. Litter pick

Confirm arrangements

15th October 10am Quarry Inn. Clerk to arrange for litter to be collected from the village hall

20. Future agenda items

- Reimburse M Richardson
- Christmas Tree Service
- Youth worker fund payment for street dance
- Precept
- Street Dance precept

21. Any other reports

There were no other reports

22. Date of the next meeting

1st November (SC apologies)

The meeting closed at 9.17pm