

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 15th January 2020**, at Jubilee Court Community Room, Kingsbury.

Present: Councillors: Chair A Jenns, J Thomas, V Barker, I Thomas,

C Ayasamy, A Simpson, M Moss, J Whitby and H Phillips

Apologies: Received and accepted from Councillors A Lewis and B Moss

Clerk: S Humphries

Public: 3 members of the public

Police: PCSO P Beale

540 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors H Phillips and A Jenns declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- Councillor H Phillips declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Warwickshire CAVA Local Management Committee.
- Councillor A Simpson declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Hurley Community Association.
- Councillor J Whitby declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Wood End Working Men's Club.
- Councillors J Thomas, A Jenns, I Thomas, and C Ayasamy declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to HS2.
- Councillors I Thomas and J Thomas declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to the Special Management Zone in North Warwickshire.
- Councillor J Thomas declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall Committee and Piccadilly Community Centre.
- Councillor I Thomas declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning the Oil Depots and Piccadilly Community Association.
- Councillor A Jenns declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning WCC.
- Councillor C Ayasamy declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to Kingsbury and Cliff residents group.
- Councillor H Phillips declared an interest in any minute relating to Woodlands Community Centre.

541 Public Questions

Two members from the new Management Committee of the Sports Hall, Kingsbury came to explain the current situation and what they are doing to try to save the Sports Hall. New Trustees are needed to try and take this forward. They have produced a business plan and are applying to CISWO to get the heating fixed as this is having a detrimental effect on bookings. They also explained the 'Assets of Community Value'. They left information with Councillors to look over.

542 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr H Phillips and seconded by Cllr M Moss and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20th November 2019 are approved as a true record.

543 HS2 (527)

Area North Engagement HS2 has informed us of a route wide public engagement on common design elements (CDEs) for a 4 week period in January. They are asking for feedback on parapets, piers and lineside noise barriers.

HS2 will be putting up temporary traffic lights on the A4097 Kingsbury Road from 9.30-3.30pm from 13.1.2020 for 3 weeks to ensure safe access to their clearance sites.

543 HS2 continued (527)

Councillors agreed to send a letter to HS2 complaints department regarding the proposed changes for Kingsbury Road Main Compound (formerly Kingsbury Road Railhead site) and the lack of notifications and any update on traffic figures for the revised changes.

Councillor J Thomas updated Councillors on recent meetings attended. Work is continuing on hedges and trees. Kingsbury compound work will start from front to back and concrete is to be made on site and shipped out. No update on transport arrangements and all work in the area will start at the same time.

The Clerk updated Councillors on the final stages of the grant for the outdoor gym equipment and that all conditions have now been met and the final amount will be paid to us so that we can make payment to the company.

544 War Memorials for Parish (528)

The bin for Kingsbury was not completed at the same time as the benches as expected. The Clerk has chased this with NWBC and the contractor and is awaiting an update.

Residents of Wood End have expressed an interest in raising money to get a WW1 litter bin to go by the Wood End bench as in Kingsbury. As this is to replace a NWBC bin the Clerk will liaise with the Borough as to who would need to order this. No further updates to report.

545 Planning Applications/Information

The following Applications were brought to Councillors attention and discussed.

- **PAP/2019/0692 and PAP/2019/0687** – Malthouse, Cliff, display of illuminated signage and listed building consent for sign.
- **PAP/2018/0762** – Notification of Appeal Land East of Islington Farm, Wood End. Outline application for residential development (class3) with associated access, landscaping, open space and drainage infrastructure, with all matters reserved save for access. Appeal started 14/1/20.
- **NWB/19CC010** – Kingsbury Water Park Fire and Rescue Training Centre – additional information and revised planning statement, ecological appraisal and noise assessment. Councillors had no further comments to add.

546 Budget and proposed expenditure (530)

The area cleared by the new fence in our recreation ground is now completed. Councillor C Ayasamy asked if we could look into getting some topsoil to enable planting. The Clerk will find out cost and more information for the next meeting.

Other budget items and expenditure were discussed as part of the minute on the precept and taxbase for 2020/2021.

547 Correspondence

The Clerk reported on the following items of correspondence at the meeting. If any further information is required please contact the Clerk (details on the website):-

- Clerks and Councils direct January issue
- Royal Garden Party 2020 nominations requested from past/present Chairs
- WALC newsletter January 2020 Focus on training events
- Coleshill and Atherstone Dial a ride minibus services
- Police Operation SNAP - where public can send pictures or footage of driving offences
- Warwickshire Pension Fund Governance Information
- Warwickshire Minerals Plan submission for examination

547 Correspondence continued

- WCC Temporary prohibition of traffic to facilitate footway construction Brick Kiln Lane and Hurley Common 24/2/20
- Dates for Parish meetings 2020 to be agreed and venues booked
- Air Ambulance request for site to put textiles recycling unit-already one in area
- WCC Template form to create a Disaster Plan
- VELO Route 21/6/20 – leaflet drop to inform residents from 10/2/20
- WALC Police Precept Consultation forwarded to Cllrs
- Coleshill Community Hub drop in launch event 17/1/20 between 10-3pm
- WCC Passenger Transport Flexibus services from 6/1/20
- Colin Grazier Birth Centenary Service 3/5/20 – Chair to attend

548 Councillors Parish Matters raised previously in 2019 (532/536)

The following responses/updates have been received from the relevant authorities:

- **Path opposite 2 Elm Tree Close** – It appears that the paths are owned by Mcleans Homes. The Clerk will find out more information.
- **Watery Lane problems** – Further information has been received and will be followed up with NWBC.
- **Raised trench in road by oil terminals causing accidents** – Reported to WCC Highways who are asking for photographs or more detailed location.
- **A4097 Coton island to Mill island needs vegetation cutting back along path** – Reported to WCC Highways who are looking into.
- **Wood Street by numbers 9 and 11 road is cracking up/holes** – Reported to WCC Highways
- **Flooding problems at bottom of Piccadilly** – Councillor A Jenns reported that WCC are due to go to site on 16.1.20. An update will be provided next meeting.
- **Speeding around Piccadilly dangerous, can the 30mph speed sign be removed?** – Traffic and Safety have said that they cannot remove the sign as it forms part of the legal order to be enforced at this location. PCSO Beale raised concerns about this also and will put the issues in an e-mail to the Clerk. Also many residents are concerned. The Clerk will forward these concerns to Traffic and Safety to see if anything further can be done.
- **Heanley Lane by Hurley School flooded up to the church** – Reported to Highways
- **Graveyards are almost full can we find out whose responsibility it is to take over NWBC or Parish** –

549 Neighbourhood Plan (533)

The Clerk has asked the Borough Council how this would work with our parish consisting of lots of separate villages. They have offered to come to a parish meeting to discuss what we would wish to achieve from a plan and offer any advice that they are able. The Clerk will arrange a separate meeting to discuss with NWBC.

550 Council Taxbase and Precept requirements for 2020/2021

Councillors considered a report provided by the Clerk, based on current expenditure and estimated out-turn for 2019/2020. Councillors discussed this at length and after careful consideration decided that with the expenditure required for the forthcoming year, that the precept should be raised slightly. It was proposed by Councillor I Thomas and seconded by Councillor J Whitby and agreed by majority:-

RESOLVED: That the expenditure budget be approved for the year 2020/2021, and that the precept levy on North Warwickshire Borough Council would be £34,971. (An increase of £1,665 on last year due to rising costs for work and to cover the projects the Council have put forward).

551 Councillors Parish Matters raised January 2020

The following have been reported to the relevant authorities or are for information:

- Path between both entrances to Mill Crescent needs resurfacing – Councillor M Moss
- Tree uprooted in winds needs removing Tamworth Road, Kingsbury – Councillor M Moss
- Vegetation needs removing from path by Royal Oak – Councillor M Moss
- Land behind Chemist Kingsbury to be cleared – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Top soil needed for recreation ground cleared area – Councillor C Ayasamy – To be put on agenda for next meeting as cost involved.
- Community VE Fun Day to be organised by Kingsbury and Cliff Residents Group on 8th May 2020 – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Pot holes on Piccadilly Way by Shell Offices – Councillor J Thomas
- When will car park be re-lined in Kingsbury now houses are finished? – Councillor J Thomas
- Six lorries queueing by EMR on 6/1/20 causing a problem with vision – Councillor J Thomas
- For information Councillors I Thomas, J Thomas and A Jenns will attend a Flood Management Meeting on 17/1/20 and reort back to the next meeting.
- Lack of buses to Atherstone from Hurley and surrounding villages – Councillor J Whitby
- Slabs uneven at back of flats Jubilee Court leading to garages – Councillor V Barker

552 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 12th February 2020 – Piccadilly Community Centre.

553 Accounts for payment (where accounts include VAT this will be claimed back)

It was proposed by Councillor I Thomas and seconded by Councillor J Thomas and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the accounts listed below be approved for payment and the relevant contribution to the pension scheme would be paid by bank transfer.

Administration Costs – December/January	£1,058.30
NWBC Grounds Maintenance Oct to Dec plus extra tidying work	£1,514.14
Abbey Park Offices – Bus shelter cleaning	£24.00

<u>Bank Balances</u>	<u>31st January 2020</u>
Current A/c	£8,575.02
Reserve Account	£12,250.10

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Dated _____