# Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 20th June 2018**, at Wood End Village Hall, Wood End.

**Present: Councillors:** Chair B Moss, A Lewis, A Simpson, J Thomas, J McNally, I Thomas, J Whitby, C Ayasamy, A Jenns and H Phillips.
**Clerk:** S Humphries
**Apologies:** Accepted and agreed for Councillor M Moss

## 307 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors B Moss, H Phillips, A Jenns and A Lewis declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- Councillors A Lewis and H Phillips declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Warwickshire CAVA Local Management Committee.
- Councillor A Lewis declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Piccadilly Community Association.
- 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, A Lewis, I Thomas, C Ayasamy and H Phillips declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to HS2.
- Councillor I 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.

## 308 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr J Thomas and seconded by Cllr C Ayasamy and agreed:
**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meetings held on 16th May 2018 are approved as a true record.**

## 309 HS2 (288)

Work on the application is to be started by Councillor J Thomas and the Clerk to apply to the Community and Environment Fund/Business and Local Economy Fund for some outdoor gym equipment to benefit all age groups on the parish recreation ground.

Councillor J Thomas reported on a meeting held on 20th June with WCC. The draft environmental statement is due out late 2018 with an 8 week response time. The full statement will be released 4-5 months later. The Hybrid bill for Phase 2b will be presented to the House of Commons late 2019.

At the latest Special Management Zone (SMZ) meeting presentations were given from Balfour Beatty Vinci, HS2 Ltd and ARUP the company overseeing the Interchange station which will have parking

for 7,400 cars and this will not be multi storey parking. There will be access from the station to the NEC and Birmingham Airport. It was also said that the railhead will not be used for Phase 2B and will be de-commissioned.

Bodymoor Heath Lane is to be re-aligned and the A51 in Kingsbury. It is good news that NWBC planning department are working with the design panel on Phase 1 in the north Warwickshire area.

Councillor I Thomas asked Councillors for comments to put forward at the next SMZ meeting as he has been approached by J Lord from HS2 Ltd to discuss the process and approach to engagement in anticipation of the materials being available later in the summer, to commence the engagement on HS2 Phase 1.
Thoughts raised were as follows:

- Request that NWBC planning would be involved.
- A design that is sympathetic to the area.
- Truth be put in the literature produced and to keep communities up to date.
- Rural area so not too much concrete.
- Alternative ideas to be given.

**310 Broken fence Trinity Road bridge by EMR. Network Rail property (289)**
DP Cargo has now done some work on the fence although it did not look finished at the time of the parish meeting. The footpath opposite was reported as blocked. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

**311 Overgrown trees Kingsbury (290)**
**Trees at back of Rowan Close/Willow Close need cutting back** – Persimmon Homes have now passed our concerns to their West Midlands office who advised it is North Midlands area! Councillor A Jenns also reported more problems with trees in Maple Drive.

**312 Planning Applications/Information**
The following new planning applications were brought to Councillors attention.

- **PAP/2018/0357** – Recreation ground Wood End – Prior notification for erection of 25m monopole to support telecommunications antennae, dishes and ground based cabinets for use by Vodafone and Telefonica.
- **PAP/2018/0332** – Land to north of Overwoods Road, Hockley for approval of reserved matters for Phase 2 (plots 27-88 inclusive) for erection of 88 dwellings and associated works.
- **PAP/2018/0347** – Cottage Farm, Hurley, erection of one new dairy cattle building.
- **PAP/2018/0345** – 1 Rosemary Cottages Hurley – Retrospective application for change of use of outbuilding to form residential dwelling C3 and associated garden area.

A letter has been sent to the developer of the houses on the old clinic site at Kingsbury asking for an update as Councillors were concerned that work appeared to have stopped.

**313 Kingsbury Sports Hall (292)**
The meeting of Trustees, Solicitors and Ciswo took place early June and many parish councillors attended. As a suggestion for continuing the centre a partial sale of land was suggested and the parish council to become custodian trustees with a management committee to run the centre. The parish council would like to move forward and are prepared to try this but need to see some accounts and figures to see if it is viable. It has been suggested that these have been sent to CISWO. Further discussions after we are in receipt of some paperwork will be needed to move forward.

**314 Councillors Parish Matters raised January-March 2018 (293)**
We are still awaiting information on: **New lights in Piccadilly are dim, list of all grit bins in parish and lighting Trinity Road/Overwoods Road not sufficient.**

**315 War Memorial for Parish (294)**

This was discussed further and Councillors I and J Thomas will take some pictures of a suggested memorial from another town to share with Councillors. Councillor C Ayasamy reported that the Kingsbury and Cliff residents group would like to donate towards this.

**316 Fencing around recreation ground (295)**

Due to bird nesting time the trees and shrubs will have to wait until early Autumn before they can be cleared. This needs to be done before the fence can be put up.

NWBC have been asked to clear the undergrowth by the large trees as you come up from the church steps. Also a new litter bin has been requested between the two benches.

**317 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):-

- Merchant Navy Day 3rd September 2018 – Fly the red ensign to raise awareness.
- WCC temporary closure of roads in Hurley for surface dressing on 28th June 2018.
- NWBC – Gambling Act 2005 review Statement of Principles.
- Joint Strategic Needs Assessment invitation to a stakeholder event on 21/6/18 at Wood End Village Hall 9.00am – 12.30pm.
- New Warwickshire Trading Standards backed approved Trader Scheme.
- Residents request for information to be put on website for a local business. This was discussed and it would not be possible to use the website to advertise.
- WALC reporting traffic offences using digital evidence from dash cams.
- Lea Marston public drop in session 21st June 2018 re Removal of Trash Screen.
- County Councillor grants open for applications.

**318 Budget for 2018/2019 (297)**

There have been suggestions for various items of expenditure such as fences, noticeboards, dog bins, litter bins and benches to be purchased for the parish. The Clerk will produce a statement after the end of year accounts have gone off to the external auditor.

**319 Councillors Parish Matters raised April 2018 (298)**

- **Flooding bottom of Pit Hill** – Reported as ongoing problem. Flood Risk Management have sent letter to adjoining landowner to cleanse ditch Trinity Road, Piccadilly. Councillor I Thomas reported that the area should be getting trenched out and the brook cleared.

**320 Funding requests**

- **Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall Skittles evening –** A letter was received asking for help with the hiring of the skittle alley for this popular event. This was discussed and proposed by Councillor B Moss and seconded by Councillor H Phillips and agreed:-
  **RESOLVED: That a grant of £100 be given to Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall to help with their skittles evening.**

- **Kingsbury Church and Hurley Churches request for help with Graveyard maintenance** - Applications for help towards the maintenance of the graveyards at Kingsbury and Hurley Churches were received and discussed. It was agreed that a grant of £750.00 would be given to each Church as in previous years. This was proposed by Councillor H Phillips and seconded by Councillor B Moss and agreed:
  **RESOLVED: That a grant of £750 each be given to Kingsbury and Hurley Churches to help with graveyard maintenance.**

- **Beeline Community Transport –** A letter of thanks was received and read out to Councillors for the grant that was previously agreed.

**321 Standing Orders**

The NALC model standing orders have been revised due to the new data protection changes (GDPR). The Clerk updated the standing orders and forwarded to all Councillors prior to the meeting. These were then discussed and a couple of points were raised that Councillors did not need to stand up to speak and that County Councillors for the area should be invited to meetings. It was proposed by Councillor H Phillips and seconded by Councillor J McNally and agreed:

**RESOLVED: That the revised Standing Orders be adopted. Any further changes/amendments in future that are required/requested need at least 8 Councillors to be in agreement for them to be changed. The Clerk will ensure that all Councillors have a copy of the new Standing Orders.**

**322 Requests to hire the parish recreation ground, Kingsbury**

As we have had a few requests recently to use the recreation ground it was suggested that we should have an Application form to complete detailing the exact events taking place and request proof of insurance etc for safety reasons. The Clerk will draft a suitable form and Councillors can agree at the next meeting.

- Request to use the parish recreation ground on 1/9/18 for fun day and to thank villagers for support for Amelia's fund. This was granted subject to adequate insurance for any activities and now the new application form will need to be completed.
- Kingsbury and Cliff May Day 2019 fun day, request to use the parish recreation ground. Again granted subject to new application form and documents.
- Request for 3 fireworks to be let off as a memorial. As a special licence is needed for this Councillor I Thomas offered to liaise and see if Piccadilly could be used as the insurance is already in place due to the annual event held each year. He will report back.

**323 Councillors Parish Matters raised May 2018 (304)**

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

- Disabled parking Kingsbury needs remarking after damage by lorries – NWBC have been asked when this might be carried out.
- EMR queueing problems again – Reported to the Manager of EMR who will monitor.
- Trinity Road to Elm Tree large amount of stinging nettles – Reported to WCC.

**324 Councillors Parish Matters raised June 2018**

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

- NWBC invoices seem to have less explanation of where precept is spent for residents – Councillor J McNally
- Fence by railway in between bridges Piccadilly is damaged – Councillor I Thomas
- Grass verge Rutlands and bridge overgrown, Wood End – Councillor A Lewis
- Crack in pavement at side of bridge Bodymoor Heath – Councillor J Thomas
- Road narrows by Lower House Farm weeds overgrown and visibility issue – Councillor J Thomas
- Grey box for speed sign on A51 down again – Councillor A Jenns
- Problems with large lorries Bodymoor Heath – Councillor J Thomas
- Chestnut Close back of wall on green space overgrown – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Pot hole between Elm Tree and Sycamore Road sunk again – Councillor C Ayasamy

**325 Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18th July 2018 at Jubilee Court Community Room, Kingsbury.

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

It was proposed by Councillor H Phillips and seconded by Councillor A Lewis 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.**

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| Administration Costs – June | £1173.90 |
| Inland Revenue April to June payment | £445.11 |
| Hurley Church (minute 320 June 2018) | £750.00 |
| Kingsbury Church (minute 320 June 2018) | £750.00 |
| Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall (minute 320 June 2018) | £100.00 |
| Wood End Village Hall – hire of room | £20.00 |

**Signed _____ Dated _____**