

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 25th May 2022**, at Piccadilly Community Centre, Piccadilly.

Present: Councillors: Chair J Thomas, M Moss, V Barker, E Steel, J Whitby, B Moss, C Ayasamy and A Simpson

Apologies: Noted from Councillors H Phillips, A Jenns and I Thomas

Clerk: S Humphries

907 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillor B Moss declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- 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 and C Ayasamy declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to HS2.
- Councillor 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 C Ayasamy declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to Kingsbury and Cliff residents group.

908 Public Questions

There were no questions raised by members of the public as there is an opportunity at the Annual Parish meeting which follows this meeting.

909 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr M Moss and seconded by Cllr V Barker and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting on 27th April 2022 be approved as a true record.

910 HS2 (891)

The Special Management Zone group meeting was held early May 2022. Councillor J Thomas reported that there was a confidential report discussed and the group were waiting to get permission from HS2 to share with Councillors. The designs on the A4091 Bodymoor Heath Lane are being looked at again as the proposals are not working. As the lane is split amongst three parishes Councillor Thomas will update the other parishes. It is hoped that the traffic lights on the A4097 will be removed by the end of the summer.

Councillor E Steel asked if there had been any traffic concerns reported as commuters are using Lea Marston to miss the traffic lights. Councillor Thomas was not aware of any.

There are two HS2 public events where questions can be answered and maps/plans viewed. The first is at Curdworth Village Hall on Wednesday 8th June and the second at Lea Marston Hotel on Thursday 9th June. Both as drop in sessions between 5.30-7.30pm

911 Parish Matters raised previously (892)

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

- **Piccadilly - fence railway side gives access to track** – No further update after we were told the owners were pricing up for the repairs.
- **Improvements needed on access road to Water Park via private road/steps** - The issue number is A11 031 Footpath no T177. In a list to be prioritised by WCC.
- **Bromage path behind Kingsbury School floods** – This is being dealt with by Highways and is part of Cllr Jenns, WCC Delegated budget. There is still no date yet for this work to start.
- **Can we obtain any Footpath maps for Councillors?** – Updates have been requested.

912 Improvements/Work required - Parish Recreation Ground (893)

The Clerk has arranged for the wet pour surface renewal under the toddler swings to be carried out. The work is expected to be around the beginning of June.

The zip wire seat which has been vandalised has been ordered, and although not a safety issue, needs to be replaced.

913 Unitary Authorities and Devolution of Services (894)

Discussions on this are ongoing and no further updates to report.

914 Kingsbury Parish Policies/Procedures Update (895)

Councillor I Thomas and the Clerk are working on the next policies to be reviewed/set up before sending to the Policies/Procedures Working Party for approval, which will then be agreed by the Parish Council.

915 Planning Applications/Information

The following application were brought to Councillors attention and discussed:

PAP/2022/0227 – The Barn, Tamworth Road, Kingsbury – Certificate of Lawfulness application for existing use of building as dwelling – use class C3.

PAP/2019/0679 – Land opposite Delves Field Stables, Boulters lane, Wood End – Notification of Appeal as previous permission refused in November 2021. (erection of up to 9 dwellings). It was refused as not in accordance with policies LP1, LP14 and LP30 and significant and demonstrable harm caused to character and appearance of the settlement and area.

916 Correspondence

For any further information on the items below please contact the Clerk, details on website.

- Temporary closure of Coventry Road Kingsbury from 11-5/7/22 to enable brickwork repairs to pilaster of railway bridge from 10pm-6am - 20 metres either side of the bridge.
- Councillor J Thomas to attend Chairmanship training course in June.
- Resident asking for information on Piccadilly Miners Memorial Wall. This is being looked into.
- The interest rate on the parish bank account has increased very slightly since April 22.
- A list of past Chairs of the parish council has been put on the website.
- Councillor J Thomas and the Clerk attended the Royal Garden Party at the palace on 18/5/22 after it was postponed in 2020 due to Covid.

917 Kingsbury TADC – Fire Service Training Centre, Bodymoor Heath

A date for a visit/tour of the facility would be organised for those interested, and the parish council would be interested in using this for the next parish meeting if it can be arranged in time.

918 Climate Emergency Event (899)

Councillor E Steel attended a WALC Local Climate Action Day on 19th May and produced a summary sheet for Councillors of the items discussed. There was a list of 7 questions that were presented to assist discussions at all levels to encourage action. This will be put on the agenda for June to be discussed further.

919 Councillors Parish Matters raised January-April 2022 (900/902/904)

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

- **Bodymoor Heath Bridge damage is getting worse** – WCC Bridge Maintenance Team Leader is in contact with the Canal River Trust. The CRT has confirmed movement since their last visit on 5th May and they are to install temporary works. We will be kept up to date of any work to be carried out.
- **Trinity Road from A51 to Piccadilly bridge has branches close to the road** – WCC will take a look but expect it to be private vegetation and would have to be classed as unreasonable to write to the owners. It is also bird nesting season which makes large scale vegetation clearance undesirable. Councillor I Thomas said that branches are protruding on kerb level from EMR to 2nd bridge. No further update from WCC.
- **Bus shelter bin needed by Tamworth Road shelter** – This is now due to be delivered mid-June and will be fitted as soon as the contractor is available.
- **Damage to grass verge Knowle Hill** – This has now been dealt with by the police.
- **Parish noticeboard needs updating and a clean** – This has been updated.

920 Request to Hire Kingsbury Parish Recreation Ground (903)

A request to hire the recreation ground on 5th June 2022 has been received from Kingsbury Village Theatre. This is for a community Jubilee celebration. The details of the hire were agreed and the Clerk and Councillor M Moss will meet with them to discuss arrangements for the day prior to 5/6/22.

921 Accounts 2021/2022

Councillors had been sent the accounts, audit report and information they required to look through prior to the meeting. The Clerk explained the figures and answered any questions raised. The accounts had been received back from the internal auditor and his report did not raise any concerns. The Annual Internal Audit report was received and noted and the Clerk was thanked for preparing all the accounts and papers ready for audit.

922 Accounts 2021/2022 – Section 1 Annual Governance Statement

The annual governance statement was discussed and it was proposed by Councillor M Moss and seconded by Councillor A Simpson and agreed by all:

RESOLVED:- That the Annual Governance Statement be approved and was duly signed by the Chair on behalf of all Councillors.

923 Accounts 2021/2022 - Section 2 Accounting Statements 2021/2022

This was further discussed and proposed by Councillor A Simpson and seconded by Councillor C Ayasamy and agreed by all:

RESOLVED: That this be signed by the Chair on behalf of all Councillors.

924 Parish Councillor representatives

It was agreed that the following Councillors would be the authorised persons to represent the parish council on the following:

- Councillor J Thomas to remain as HS2 representative.
- Councillor E Steel to be the representative for Climate Change.
- Policies and Procedures Working Party members remain in place until May 2023. These are Chair, Councillor I Thomas and Councillors M Moss, A Jenns and B Moss.

- Warks Area Committee – This used to be attended by the Chair and Vice Chair each year but there was no continuity, so Councillors were asked who would be interested in attending the quarterly meetings on a regular basis. Councillors J Thomas, J Whitby and E Steel put themselves forward.

925 Zoom subscription

As there is no firm confirmation that parish councils can hold hybrid meetings in the future, it was decided to not renew the subscription for zoom at this time.

926 Councillors Parish Matters raised May 2022

The following are for information or will be followed up with the relevant authorities:

- Vans parking irresponsibly and in disabled spaces on car park by Community Centre – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Coventry Road paved edging a trip hazard - Councillor M Moss
- Area by old taxi rank overgrown – Councillor M Moss
- Platinum Jubilee Tree further vandalised and now deemed not to survive – Councillor E Steel
- Dropped kerbs needed in Piccadilly as scooters and prams having problems – Councillor J Thomas
- Tyres dumped by rifle range – Councillor A Simpson
- Dropped kerbs needed from Pear Tree to Drs – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Dead tree needs collecting Tamworth Road – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Chestnut Close overgrown – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Cars parked by Kingsbury garage causing pedestrians to go into the road to get by – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Councillor J Thomas thanked Councillor M Moss for her work as Chair for the past year.

927 Next meetings

The next meeting will be at Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall on 15th June 2022.

928 Accounts for payment

It was proposed by Councillor A Simpson and seconded by Councillor B Moss and agreed:

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

Administration Costs – May	£1,259.89
Piccadilly Community Centre - Hire of Hall for meeting	£20.00
R Young – Internal Audit	£150.00
WALC – Chair’s Course Cllr J Thomas	£30.00

Bank Balances – 31st May 2022

Current A/c -	£2,305.48
Reserve Account –	£40,673.86

Signed _____

Dated _____