

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Thursday 28th September 2023**, at Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall.

Present Councillors: J Thomas, M Moss, I Thomas, O Phillips, H Phillips, A Jenns, D Bates,

Apologies: Received and accepted from Councillor C Ayasamy, V Barker, J Given and A Phillips.

Clerk: S Gommersall

202 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors J Thomas and I Thomas 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 Piccadilly Community Association.
- Councillor A Phillips declared a personal interest in any issues relating to Woodend Village Hall and Hurley Primary School.
- Councillor A Jenns declared a personal interest in any issues relating to NWBC and WCC.
- Councillor D Bates declared a personal interest in any issues relating to NWBC.
- Councillor H Phillips declared a personal interest in any issues relating to NWBC.
- Councillor J Given declared a personal interest in any issues relating to Hurley Community Association.
- Councillor J Given declared he is the stepfather of the clerk.
- Councillor O Phillips declared a personal interest in any issues relating to NWBC and Woodend Village Hall.
- Chair J Thomas declared that Bodymoor Heath have sent a funding application so Vice chair D Bates will need to take as J Thomas is chair.
- Chair J Thomas declared that Piccadilly have sent a funding application also so Vice chair D Bates will need to take.
- Finance chair I Thomas declared that piccadilly have sent a funding application.

203 Public Questions

There were no questions raised by members of the public.

204 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr I Thomas and seconded by Cllr D Bates and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 20th July 2023 be approved as a true record.

205 HS2 (973)

An open evening will take place on 27th September at Lea Marston hotel for public to attend. Cllr J Thomas announced the rephrasing to reduce capital costs and to hold back work for two years. Kingsbury compound will continue.

206 Improvements/Work required - Parish Recreation Ground

Cllr O Phillips confirmed that it isn't possible to add Kingsbury Parish Council logo to the sign for the recreational ground as the quality wouldn't be good. Cllr M Moss to proceed with the sign without the logo.

Cllr J Thomas and A Phillips attended a meeting to discuss the shared prosperity fund that could help with grants towards the recreational ground as residents believe that the park could benefit from toddler play equipment. Cllr I Thomas suggested waiting to see if the police cameras on the recreational ground deter any vandalism and anti-social behaviour before adding in anything new. This will be discussed in the new year.

Cllr H Phillips proposed that KPC apply for funding for all villages within the parish, this was seconded by D Bates and agreed by all.

Cllr A Jenns has received complaints of the two benches in the recreational ground being too close together. Agreed by all to get one bench moved if A Jenns can get funding for this.

207 Kingsbury Parish Policies/Procedures/ Working Parties

HR Committee- Terms of Reference- Cllr I Thomas proposed and Cllr O Phillips seconded and all agreed that this is now accepted.

Performance Appraisal procedure- Cllr I Thomas proposed and Cllr O Phillips seconded and all agreed this is now accepted.

208 HR and Appraisal Committee

The KPC HR and Appraisal committee have put together a timetable for clerks' appraisal. Cllrs J Thomas, D Bates, V Barker and A Phillips have decided that they will all work together instead of having a chair. This was agreed by all.

209 Kingsbury TADC – Fire Service Training Centre, Bodymoor Heath (977)

Meeting has been confirmed for 16th October. Clerk attending with Cllrs A Jenns, I Thomas, M Moss and J Thomas.

210 Climate Change (978)

No Further update.

211 Councillors Parish Matters raised previously

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

- **Piccadilly - fence railway side gives access to track** – Fence has still not been removed. Clerk will chase to find out dates.
- **Bodymoor Heath Bridge damage** – The Canal River Trust has confirmed that the repairs to the retaining wall are programmed between March 2023-April 2024 ref 913880. They are monitoring the bridge for movement.
- **Street light removed Bodymoor Heath** – Street lighting have confirmed the column has now been installed and a quote to connect the column has been accepted with an eight-week completion date.
- **Footpath to water park still muddy** – It is Issue Number A11 031 Footpath No T117. Paths have confirmed that the Rangers of the Water Park are currently prioritising closed bridges and this will be looked at after.
- **Jubilee Court walkway under arch is uneven** – NWBC confirmed work to address the uneven footpath is scheduled.
- **Hurley 'Black Path' T52 needs cutting back as very overgrown** – job is now complete and will be reviewed in the new year when contract is up.
- **Cllr C Ayasamy reported the stinging nettles by church** in Kingsbury opposite the bungalows. Also, parking is becoming a problem. Reported to NWBC but waiting on confirmation of exact area.

- **Tree in South View in desperate need of pruning.** Reported by clerk ref 535759059. Clerk will chase.
- **Hurley residents have been complaining of the buses not turning up.** Cllrs to collate detailed information on when these events have taken place for clerk to pass on.

212 Councillor Parish Matters

- **Path down edge hill needs cutting back** and leaves cleared from the path as becoming very slippery.
- **Road sign on Trinity Road blocked by trees**—When coming out of Perryman's drive a tree is blocking the road sign on the left.
- **Achray site Kingsbury**—pathway is being left in a mess, clerk to email.
- **Taken down tree in Kingsbury**—tree removed for safety reasons but Cllr A Jenns has agreed to plant two new cherry trees in replacement out of delegated budget. Cllr A Jenns will also be installing 15 trees over Huley and Kingsbury from delegated budget.
- **Fence at Kingsbury water park**— In need or repair.
- **Cllr D Bates confirmed residents of Kingsbury would like to sponsor a planter**— D Bates to speak with highways about where a planter can be placed.
- **Royal oak brambles and bushes need tidying**— clerk to email the royal oak to see if this can be tidied.
- **Bushes at St Peters place need trimming**— Clerk to request bushes are trimmed right back so that camera views are clear.
- **Cllr M Moss suggested KPC arrange something to show appreciation for Cllr B Moss after 40 years of service**— Cllr J Thomas to get prices on afternoon tea.

213 Planning Applications/Information

PAP/2023/0344- Land East Of Kingsbury Youth Club, Pear Tree Avenue, Kingsbury.

Works to sycamore tree protected by a Tree Preservation Order.

PAP/2023/0340-151, Tamworth Road, Wood End, Atherstone, CV9 2QQ— Lawful development certificate for the siting of a flat pack/caravan style outbuilding for use as ancillary accommodation.

PAP/2023/0337- Mottons Barn, Brook End Farm, Brook End Lane, Hurley, Atherstone, CV9 2JP— Erection of side extension.

PAP/2023/0342- Lockwood House, Bodymoor Heath Lane, Bodymoor Heath, Kingsbury, B76 9JG— Part retrospective agricultural building.

PAP/2023/0354- 27, Meadow Close, Kingsbury, B78 2NR— Proposed single storey extension to the side & a rear single storey extension.

PAP/2023/0397- Tudor Cottage, Trinity Road, Kingsbury, Tamworth, B78 2LA— Two storey rear extension above existing single storey summer room.

214 Correspondence

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

- Clerk handed out local history booklet to councillors to view.
- Clerk handed out clerk and councils' magazine for councillors to view.
- Tree planting project grants— clerk to email walc.
- HS2 funding team have requested more information on how the gym equipment is being used and how it has had a positive effect on the residents. Clerk will look through documents and send over.

215 Planter for Kingsbury

No New update.

216 Finance Committee update – Internal Audit

Clerks pension is overdue payment from KPC. Cllr H Phillips proposed that authorisation is given for this to be paid without bringing to full council. This was seconded by Cllr O Phillips.

Cllr J Given has completed an audit on the Parish Assets. He has requested that a councillor from each village volunteers to find out exactly what is owned by the parish and what will need replacing/ maintained.

217 Parish Emergency Plans

Updated plans will be brought to the Council Meeting in the next few months.

218 Grant Requests

- **Bodmoor Heath Victory Hall** have sent a grant application form for a Skittles night in October for £100. It was proposed by Cllr H Phillips and seconded by O Phillips and agreed by all.
- **Piccadilly community centre** have sent a grant application for a donation towards their bonfire night in November. It was proposed by Cllr D Bates and seconded by O Phillips and agreed by all to donate £300.

219 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr J Thomas and A Phillips to contact Susan Wilson to discuss costs and workload.

220 WALC AGM

Councillors were informed of the WALC AGM taking place 15th November 2023 at 1pm at Stratford Town Hall at a cost of £10 per delegate. Councillors to inform clerk if attending.

221 Next meetings

The next Council meeting will be on 25th October 2023 at Piccadilly Community Centre.

222 Confidential Item

Cllr J Thomas confirmed the amounts to be paid to get up to date with clerk's pension. Cllr J Thomas proposed to accept clerk's pension and pay.

223 Accounts for payment

It was proposed by Cllr H Phillips and seconded by D Bates 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. Amounts recorded include VAT.

Current account:

	Date ↓	Type	Description	Paid in	Paid out	Balance
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	S GOMMERSALL		-£457.74	£1,666.93
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	WALC SUBS 2020104		-£84.00	£2,124.67
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	IAN THOMAS		-£34.99	£2,208.67
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	CAVA		-£6.60	£2,243.66
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	S GOMMERSALL		-£51.20	£2,250.26
▼	13 Sep 2023	📶	ID MOBILE LIMITED		-£8.00	£2,301.46
▼	01 Sep 2023	👤	S GOMMERSALL		-£44.00	£2,309.46
▼	01 Sep 2023	👤	PICCADILLY C ASSOC		-£45.00	£2,353.46
▼	01 Sep 2023	👤	CAVA		-£6.60	£2,398.46
▼	01 Sep 2023	👤	S GOMMERSALL		-£457.74	£2,405.06
▼	11 Aug 2023	📶	ID MOBILE LIMITED		-£8.00	£2,862.80

Reserve account:

	Date ↓	Type	Description	Paid in	Paid out	Balance
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	NORTH WARKS B C	+£18,910.50		£63,848.59
▼	29 Sep 2023	👤	29SEP GRS 29451515	+£51.71		£44,938.09
▼	31 Aug 2023	👤	31AUG GRS 29451515	+£53.37		£44,886.38

Bank Balances – 30th September 2023

Current Account: £1666.93

Reserve Account: £63848.59

Signed _____ Dated _____