

Kingsbury Parish Council Annual Meeting Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday 15th May 2024**, at 8:00pm at Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall, Bodymoor Heath, B76 9JF.

Present Councillors: J Thomas, D Bates, M Moss, M Wilson, H Phillips, I Thomas, V Barker, A Jenns, A Phillips, J Given.

Apologies: Received and accepted Cllr A Wright and Clerk S Gommersall

Minute Taker: Councillor D Bates

Item 1 Ref 361 Apologies	As noted above	
Item 2 Ref 362 Declarations	• 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.	
Item 3 Ref 363 Chairpersons Report	Cllr J Thomas read out her Annual Report: Chair of Kingsbury Parish Council Report 2024	

	May 2023 Election Year the parish council welcomed four new parish councillors Cllrs D Bates, J Given, A Phillips and Cllr O. Phillips. I was re-elected as chair of Kingsbury Parish for a further year. The parish council has continued to have the equipment in the parish recreation ground replaced due to vandalism. The parish council are now actively looking for funding to replace damaged equipment, but this will take time and effort from all councillors. There will be a sign put on the recreation ground letting the public know how this recreation ground came to be and that the parish council are trustees to the ground. Two councillors represent the council on the Special Management Zone Group with HS2 Limited. They report back to the council by monthly. The council is actively working on a parish plan for the community in case of a major disaster and have agreed to take forward a parish Neighbourhood Plan. We are in the first discussions with North Warwickshire Borough Council. A HR committee was formed this year with four councillors. In September, the council gave a grant to Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall Committee for their Skittles Evening and a grant to Piccadilly Community Association CIO towards their Bonfire and Fireworks Evening. In October, the council gave a grant to Wood End Village Hall towards their Christmas Fayre In November, the council gave a grant to Hurley Community Association towards their Christmas Events. In October we lost one of our long-standing councillors Carol Ayasamy who passed away on 31st October 2023. Carole worked hard on the Kingsbury & Cliff Residents Group knitted poppies for the 11th of November, planted bulbs around the village she will be missed by the council and the community of Kingsbury and worked very hard to have a planter placed on the corner of Ralph Crescent, Kingsbury. In January, the council agreed to give a donation to Kingsbury guides and ranger group towards Easer Eggs on their easter hunt.	
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	Councillor Brian Moss also has to leave the council due to illness and on 7th April some councillors visited Brian in the nursing home and presented him with a certificate for all his years on the parish council and his favourite bottle of whisky. The home put on afternoon tea and Brian was chatty and enjoyed his afternoon. January, we advertised for a new councillor for the parish representing Kingsbury Ward and Mark Wilson was elected unopposed and attended his first meeting in March. I personally would like to thank all councillors for all their hard work on working party groups and committee throughout the year. I would like thank Vice Chair Cllr Bates for all her support throughout this year.	
Item 4 Ref 364 Any Other Relevant Business	Cllr A Phillips wished to acknowledge the work of Chair Cllr J Thomas and Vicechair Cllr D Bates throughout 2023-2024. Appreciation echoed by all present.	

Signed _____

Dated _____