

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Thursday 20th July 2023**, at Piccadilly Community Centre, Piccadilly.

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

Apologies: Received and accepted from Councillor C Ayasamy. Cllr I Thomas proposed that KPC accept apologies from Cllr C Ayasamy long term due to sickness. Seconded by Cllr H Phillips and agreed.

Clerk: S Gommersall

181 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.

182 Public Questions

There were no questions raised by members of the public.

183 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr I Thomas and seconded by Cllr M Moss and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 29th June 2023 be approved as a true record.

184 HS2 (973)

Cllr I Thomas and Cllr J Thomas reported that residents from Water Orton have made claims of suffering lung damage due to the dust so an urgent meeting has been called. Cllr I Thomas suggested inviting HS2 to October meeting to show the HS2/BBV Fly through of the route. Clerk will email inviting them.

185 Improvements/Work required - Parish Recreation Ground

Cllr M Moss presented a paper copy of the sign for councillors' opinions with a quote of £318 plus VAT for the sign to be made but not including fitting. Cllr O Phillips will send

over the KPC logo to the company to see if this can be added. Cllr I Thomas proposed that KPC go ahead with the sign making and agree the price. A 25% deposit will need to be paid also. This was seconded by Cllr D Bates and agreed by all.

Cllr I Thomas confirmed that he is awaiting a date from HAGS for the new parts to be fitted at Kingsbury Recreational ground.

Cllr J Thomas and Cllr A Phillips are awaiting more information on funding for trees in the recreational ground.

186 Unitary Authorities and Devolution of Services (975)

Cllr A Jenns attended a meeting about Warwickshire joining as a two-tier authority and most of Warwickshire's MPs have voted against this. Cllr I Thomas suggested that more councillors should publicise that they are against this and encourage the public to express opinions too.

187 Kingsbury Parish Policies/Procedures/ Working Parties

General Working Party Terms of Reference- Cllr I Thomas proposed and Cllr H Phillips seconded and all agreed that this is now accepted.

Social Media Policy- Cllr J Given explained that a few alterations will need to be made to wording. Once these amendments have been made Cllr I Thomas proposed and Cllr D Bates seconded that this policy will now be reviewed in two years.

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

No further update.

189 Climate Change (978)

No Further update.

190 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.
- **Disabled markings on car park rear of Jubilee Court faded** – Cllr A Jenns has confirmed after meeting that these legally need to be repainted.
- **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** – Cllr I Thomas confirmed that the contract for maintaining the black path will be up come March 2024 and as per the internal auditor recommended, KPC should get 3 quotes and decide which will be best to go forwards with. Cllr O Phillips confirmed that the black path will be cut back in time for the HCA Fun Day but isn't sure if this will be a reoccurrence.

- **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.
- **Dog waste bin has gone missing in Woodend** from by the school. Council have confirmed that four new bins will be delivered in the next few weeks and this will then be replaced.
- **Hurley Village Hall-** Cllr J Thomas confirmed that Hurley Village Hall is owned by CISWO and if sold all funds would go to them.
- **Tree in South View in desperate need of pruning.** Reported by clerk ref 535759059.
- **Windows of the flats above the shops are not being cleaned in Kingsbury.** Clerk reported this.
- **Hurley residents have been complaining of the buses not turning up.** Cllr I Thomas proposed that KPC send a strong worded letter complaining of the Buses not turning up due to the Road closure and ask what alternative options there is. This was seconded by Cllr O Phillips and agreed by all.
- Cllr J Given reported a serious problem with **Dog mess around Hurley.** Cllrs advised to put this in the monthly HCA newsletter and ask the borough if they will adopt a new bin for Dexter Lane.
- **Hurley Community Association will be holding a FUN DAY** on the 5th August between 1-6pm.
- Councillors have requested a **new and updated list of Councillor details** to update all notice boards with.
- Clerk to request all road closure information from Seven Trent to keep the Parish informed.

191 Planning Applications/Information

PAP/2022/0440- Moor Ash Barn, Bodymoor Heath Lane, Bodymoor Heath, Kingsbury, B76 0EE- Two storey rear kitchen and bedroom extension for assisted living for elderly relatives, and conversion of existing out buildings into self contained unit.

192 Correspondence

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

- Playground annual inspection contract is due for renewal. Cllr I Thomas proposed to find three quotes and decide which is best to go with. This was seconded by Cllr V Barker and agreed by all.

193 Highways Items/WCC Councillor Jenn's Delegated budget (982)

These items would be funded from a delegated budget held by Cllr A Jenn's through WCC:

- **Bench – Mill Crescent** – Highways are chasing this to find out where bench is.

194 Planter for Kingsbury

No New update.

195 Finance Committee update – Internal Audit

Finance meeting was held 12th July 2023 at Piccadilly Community Centre.

Quarter One for the financial year was presented and agreed and printed for full council meeting to agree. Also, the AGAR was accepted at this meeting and it was agreed to present to full council. This was proposed by Cllr I Thomas and seconded by Cllr V Barker and all agreed.

196 Parish Emergency Plans

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

197 Grant Requests

- Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall have sent a grant application form for a Skittles night in October. Councillors confirmed that end of year accounts will need to be sent and then the grant will be added for an agenda item at the September meeting.

198 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr J Thomas will arrange a meeting to discuss how to move forwards with this. This will be a separate meeting from the monthly council meeting.

199 Next meetings

The next Council meeting will be on 28th September 2023 at Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall. Cllr J Given confirmed that he will not be able to attend this meeting due to holiday.

200 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.

201 Accounts for payment

It was proposed by Cllr I Thomas 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.

It was proposed by Cllr I Thomas and seconded by Cllr H Phillips to move over £2000 from the reserve account to the current account to cover bills. Agreed by all.

Current Acc	Description	Paid In	Paid Out	Balance
21 Jul 2023	HAGS-SMP LTD		£866.40	£2,870.80
21 Jul 2023	ADMIN		£594.34	£3,737.20
21 Jul 2023	NORTH WARWICKSHIRE		£15.00	£4,331.54
21 Jul 2023	EXPENSES		£51.20	£4,346.54
21 Jul 2023	CAVA		£65.20	£4,397.74
21 Jul 2023	EXPENSES		£32.89	£4,462.94
21 Jul 2023	FROM A/C 29451515	£2,000.00		£4,495.83
12 Jul 2023	ID MOBILE LIMITED		£8.00	£2,495.83

Reserve Acc	Description	Paid in	Paid out	Balance
31 Jul 2023	31 JUL GRS 29451515	£51.87		£44,833.01
21 Jul 2023	TO A/C 00411779		£2,000.00	£44,781.14

Bank Balances – 31st July 2023

Current Account: £2870.80
Reserve Account: £44833.01

Signed _____ Dated _____