

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday 25th October 2023**, at Piccadilly Community Centre.

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

Apologies: Received and accepted from Councillor C Ayasamy and V Barker.

Clerk: S Gommersall

224 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.

225 Public Questions

There were no questions raised by members of the public.

226 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr I Thomas and seconded by Cllr O Phillips and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 28th September 2023 be approved as a true record.

227 HS2 (973)

Matthew Price attended and presented a presentation to KPC giving a rephrasing update.

228 Improvements/Work required - Parish Recreation Ground

Cllr A Jenns and I Thomas attended a playground inspection training course 29/9/23. A Jenns confirmed another sign is needed to advise that people play on the playground equipment at their own risk.

Cllr I Thomas also attended a meeting with HAGS to discuss prices on parts to fix the playground. New tyres are needed for the zip wire, another new panel for the tower is needed and seats for the swings need replacing which comes to a rough figure of £3400 plus VAT. There is rot in the cable swing main support, flat swings need new chains, side panel and roof panel for tower needed. The buggy swing shows signs of being set on fire and the rope swing supports are rotting and need disposing of.

The playground equipment has now been in for 12 years and life expectancy is 10 years. Clerk to request that the rope swing is to be taped of as closed for now. It was agreed by full council for Cllr I Thomas to get quotes for dismantling, repairing and prices for new equipment. This was proposed by Cllr O Phillips and seconded by A Phillips and agreed. Cllr A Jenns has received complaints of the two benches in the recreational ground being too close together. It was proposed by Cllr O Phillips and seconded by I Thomas to move one of the benches to Dexter Lane in Hurley at no cost to KPC.

Cllr M Moss confirmed no new update with regards to signs to Recreational Ground.

229 Kingsbury Parish Policies/Procedures/ Working Parties

No new update

230 HR and Appraisal Committee

Clerks' appraisal meeting will be held on 15th November 2023 at Wood End Village Hall 7pm.

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

Cllr I Thomas, J Thomas, A Jenns and clerk attended training 17th October 2023. Confirmed that KPC can hire room for meetings at no charge. Cllr I Thomas proposed to make a donation for this and Cllr A Jenns seconded and all agreed.

232 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. On 18th October 2023 an engineer attended and confirmed there is still no movement.
- **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.
- **Tree in South View in desperate need of pruning.** Reported by clerk ref 535759059. Clerk has again reported the height of the tree in need of reducing, ivy under the fence and bushes growing up one of the properties.
- **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.
- **Path down edge hill needs cutting back** and leaves cleared from the path as becoming very slippery. Clerk chased.
- **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. Clerk chased.
- **Achray site Kingsbury** – pathway is being left in a mess again. County high ways will be visiting site.
- **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-** opposite the new apartments there is a hole in the fence. Reported by clerk.
- **Cllr D Bates confirmed residents of Kingsbury would like to sponsor a planter-** Cllr D Bates and A Jenns to speak with highways about where a planter can be placed.
- **Bushes at St Peters place need trimming-** Clerk to request bushes are trimmed right back so that camera views are clear. Clerk chased.
- **Cllr M Moss suggested KPC arrange something to show appreciation for Cllr B Moss after 40 years of service-** Cllr M Moss to feed back in January.

234 Councillor Parish Matters

- **Wood End, Wood Street-** Road in need of repair outside number 18. Reported by clerk.
- **Grit bins need filling-** Cllr J Given to send clerk a list of all grit bins and where they are to send over to WCC to fill.
- **Piccadilly Bridge flooding-** clerk to arrange a meeting with highways and county as water is going up over kerb and into the ditch.

235 Planning Applications/Information

PAP/2023/0420- Allen Transport Limited, Rush Lane, Kingsbury. Use of site for training and storage of construction plant and equipment, including office, maintenance and training buildings.

PAP/2023/0230- The Folly, Tamworth Road, Kingsbury, B78 2DJ. Proposed replacement of existing redundant agricultural building with new dwelling. **This has been rejected previously.**

236 Correspondence

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

- Cllr A Phillips will put a banner on one side of the notice board at Wood End Working Men's Club saying Kingsbury Parish Council.
- Going forward clerk will send a public agenda to all councillors without signature on that can be advertised on social media.

237 Planter for Kingsbury

Planter has now been put in place.

238 Finance Committee update

Cllr I Thomas and clerk presented second quarter of the accounts to all councillors.

Cllr I Thomas proposed and O Phillips seconded and all agreed to accept second quarter.

Cllr I Thomas informed the council of Whateley Telephone box, this will need to go on the asset list.

239 Parish Emergency Plans

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

240 Grant Requests

- **Wood End Village Hall-** Grant application sent for £300 towards cost of Christmas Tree and delivery. This was proposed by Cllr I Thomas and seconded by D Bates.

241 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr I Thomas proposed and A Jenns seconded to go ahead with Neighbourhood plan. Agreed by all.

242 Next meetings

The next Council meeting will be on 29th November 2023 at Jubilee Court Communal Room, Kingsbury.

243 Confidential Item

Clerks pension- CAVA have agreed to pay on behalf of KPC the employer and employee pension contribution.

244 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.

Proposed by Cllr O Phillips and seconded by D Bates to move £4000 from reserve account to current account.

Current account:

▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	S GOMMERSALL	-£54.80	£3,777.89
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	WALC SUBS 2020104	-£108.00	£3,832.69
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	PICCADILLY C ASSOC	-£15.00	£3,940.69
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	WCC PENSION FUND	-£511.21	£3,955.69
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	WALC SUBS 2020104	-£144.00	£4,466.90
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	ABBEY PARK LTD	-£270.00	£4,610.90
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	WOOD END V HALL	-£300.00	£4,880.90
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	CAVA	-£6.60	£5,180.90
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	S GOMMERSALL	-£457.74	£5,187.50
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	From A/C 29451515	+£4,000.00	£5,645.24
▼	16 Oct 2023	🖱	ICO	-£35.00	£1,645.24
▼	12 Oct 2023	🖱	ID MOBILE LIMITED	-£8.00	£1,680.24
▼	09 Oct 2023	🖱	NRTH WARWICKSHIRE	-£59.94	£1,688.24
▼	06 Oct 2023	🖱	HMRC VTR	+£481.25	£1,748.18
▼	02 Oct 2023	🖱	PICCADILLY C ASSOC	-£300.00	£1,266.93
▼	02 Oct 2023	🖱	B/MOOR HEATH HALL	-£100.00	£1,566.93

Reserve account:

▼	31 Oct 2023	🖱	31OCT GRS 29451515	+£80.53	£59,929.12
▼	27 Oct 2023	🖱	To A/C 00411779	-£4,000.00	£59,848.59

Bank Balances – 31st October 2023

Current Account: £3777.89

Reserve Account: £59929.12

Signed _____ **Dated** _____