

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 15th June 2022**, at Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall, Bodymoor Heath.

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

Apologies: None

Clerk: S Humphries

Police: PC S Bird

929 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors B Moss, H Phillips and A Jenns declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- Councillor H Phillips declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Warwickshire CAVA Local Management Committee.
- 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, A Jenns, I Thomas, and C Ayasamy 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 Jenns declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning WCC.
- Councillor C Ayasamy declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to Kingsbury and Cliff residents group.
- Councillor H Phillips declared an interest in any minute relating to Woodlands Community Centre.

930 Public Questions

There were no questions raised by members of the public.

931 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr B Moss and seconded by Cllr M Moss and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of all Council meetings held on 25th May 2022 be approved as a true record.

932 HS2 (910)

There have been no further updates or information received since the last parish meeting.

933 Parish Matters raised previously (911)

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. The Clerk will contact the MPs office to see if they have been updated on any progress.

- **Improvements needed on access road to Water Park via private road/steps** - The issue number is A11 031 Footpath no T177. An update received states that it is still in a list to be prioritised by WCC, but they are concentrating on bridges while the weather is dry.
- **Bromage path behind Kingsbury School floods** – This is being dealt with by Highways and is part of Cllr Jenns, WCC Delegated budget. Councillor Jenns has a meeting next week to discuss further.
- **Footpath maps for Councillors?** – Updates have been requested again.

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

The work to take up and lay a new wet pour surface under the toddler swings has now been completed.

The new zip wire seat/chain set has been ordered but parts have to come from other countries and the expected date for fitting is not until August. When fitting the company will check the Hawser swing and give a report.

The Clerk will now look at the remaining jobs outstanding to complete the use of the money granted for the improvements.

935 Unitary Authorities and Devolution of Services (913)

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

936 Kingsbury Parish Policies/Procedures Update (914)

Work is continuing on the next policies to be reviewed/set up, however, Councillor I Thomas has resigned from the position of Chair on the Working Party. The other three Councillors on the group did not wish to stand as Chair but will continue until the next election (May 2023) and work with the Clerk. Any policy changes will always be agreed by full council.

The Clerk explained that the Financial Reserves policy contained figures that need adjusting annually in connection with the end of year accounts. These were explained and agreed with no changes to the policy itself. It was proposed by Councillor J Whitby and seconded by Councillor A Jenns and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the reserves held by the council at 31st March 2022 are approved and the policy amended in line with the discussed figures.

937 Planning Applications/Information

The following notification was brought to Councillors attention but it does not require a planning application, it is just for information:

- Existing telecommunications base station at Camp Farm-Atherstone, Knowle Hill, Hurley. Notification to utilise permitted development rights at existing base station. Install electronic communications apparatus/development ancillary to radio equipment housing.

938 Correspondence

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

- Police keen to get volunteers to conduct Community Speed Watch in areas of the parish. A minimum of 3 volunteers needed and training will be given.
- Next NWAC meeting 28/6/22 at NWBC Council Offices – Cllrs J Thomas, E Steel and J Whitby to attend on behalf of the parish.
- NALC Chief Executive Bulletin for June emailed to Councillors for information.
- Airspace modernisation programme plans for Stage 2 at East Midlands airport Teams meeting on 28/6/22 10.30am or 6pm.
- WCC Domestic abuse posters for noticeboard to be put up.
- Request for land to rent for horses but the parish does not own any such land.
- Warwickshire Libraries Home delivery service for those unable to use the mobile service.

- Average speed enforcement cameras to be installed A446 from junction A38 to junction A4091 over the coming months – hoping to be completed by December 2022. This is due to a high number of personal injury collisions over a 5 year period.
- CSW Emergency parish plan and home emergency plan on behalf of the Coventry, Solihull and Warwickshire Resilience Team. Plans to be looked into and how to share them.

939 Kingsbury TADC – Fire Service Training Centre, Bodymoor Heath (917)

Councillor Jenns will contact TADC for a date for a visit/tour of the facility for those Councillors interested. The parish council would also be interested in using this for the September parish meeting if the room is suitable.

940 Climate Change (918)

Councillor E Steel produced a summary sheet for Councillors of the items discussed from her last meeting on Climate Change. There was a list of 7 questions that were presented and these were discussed at length with suggestions and views put forward. The Phase 2 Green Shoots Community Fund was explained with a view to submitting claims for funding and also a request for a separate page to be created on the website for more information on Climate Change and to help raise awareness.

941 Councillors Parish Matters raised January-April 2022 (919)

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.
- **Litter bin needed by Tamworth Road bus shelter** – This has been delayed a few weeks and is now due to be delivered mid-June. It will be fitted as soon as the contractor is available.

942 Request to Hire Kingsbury Parish Recreation Ground (920)

Unfortunately the weather was wet and the plans for the Community Jubilee celebrations on the recreation ground on 5th June 2022 had to be moved to indoors on a smaller scale. However, the Kingsbury Village Theatre had a good turn-out, despite the weather, and thanked the parish council for agreeing to the use of the ground. They are hoping to arrange further events in the future.

943 Accounts 21/22 Update and electors rights

The Clerk has now completed the paperwork for the external auditor and this has been sent off to them and the required notices put on the website. The period which electors and interested persons may exercise their rights relating to the annual accounts is from 13th June to 22nd July 2022 and this is also on the website under the policies and finance section. www.kingsbury-pc.gov.uk

944 Councillors Parish Matters raised May 2022 (925)

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** – Reported to the police
- **Coventry Road paved edging a trip hazard** - WCC highways have said it probably comes under their responsibility and will add to their list of jobs.

- **Area by old taxi rank overgrown** – NWBC will add to our grounds maintenance jobs to be tidied up after the grass cutting season ends.
- **Dropped kerbs needed in parts of Piccadilly as scooters/prams etc having problems and also Pear Tree area in Kingsbury. Councillor H Phillips also pointed out that Glenville Avenue has no dropped kerbs either.** – Exact locations to be advised by Councillors and then Councillor A Jenns will discuss with Highways the possibility of using his delegated budget.
- **Tyres dumped by rifle range** – These have been removed.
- **Dead trees on collector road grassed area Tamworth Road** – WCC will be informed.
- **Chestnut Close overgrown** – On NWBC job list for when the grass cutting season is over.
- **Cars parked by Kingsbury garage causing pedestrians to go into the road to get by** – Reported to police to monitor.

945 Councillors Parish Matters raised June 2022

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

- Large tree root protruding on Bromage path – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Rubbish/weeds in Jubilee Court area – Councillor V Barker/Councillor M Moss
- Warwickshire Fire and Rescue Prevention Protection consultation – Councillor J Thomas to e-mail to all Councillors. Consultation starts on 4/7/22.
- Overgrown weeds in access alleyway to Kingsbury Primary School – Councillor A Jenns
- Wood Street repairs needed by speed humps – Councillor H Phillips
- Sign by White Swan flattened – Councillor M Moss
- Bank by Mill Crescent needs trimming – Councillor M Moss
- Way marker still not reinstated Coventry Road – Councillor M Moss
- Lighting hatpin needs reinstating by Hemlingford bridge – Councillor M Moss
- Footpath alongside Kingsbury Theatre/Royal Oak needs strimming – Councillor M Moss

946 Next meetings

The next meeting will be at Jubilee Court Community Centre on 20th July 2022.

947 Accounts for payment

It was proposed by Councillor H Phillips and seconded by Councillor A Simpson 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 excluding VAT.

Administration Costs – June	£1,152.69
Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall - Hire of Hall for meeting	£20.00
RTC Safety Surfacing (wet pour cradle swings)	£3,205.00
Abbey Office Park – Bus Shelter Cleaning	£225.00
HMRC quarterly payment	£477.55

Bank Balances – 30th June 2022

Current A/c -	£2,201.43
Reserve Account –	£34,676.94

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