

Due to the current Covid-19 Pandemic Kimpton Parish Council have suspended Standing Orders and are not holding Public Meetings due to Social Distancing.

If you like to raise issues with the Council members or Clerk, please do it via our website or by telephone or email.

Minutes of the Kimpton Parish Council Meeting held via the Zoom App on Monday 29th March 2021 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Mr K Tamke – Chairman
Cllr Mr M New – Vice Chairman
Cllr Mrs H Shaldon
Cllr Mr N MacGinnis
Cllr Mrs C Goddard
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks

WELCOME. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no Declarations of Interest recorded.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were agreed as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES:

WELCOME LETTER – The Chairman asked Cllr Mr N MacGinnis if a copy of the final draft could please be distributed to the Parish Councillors.

TELEPHONE BOX – The Clerk will ask Brian Pearce to paint the inside and outside of the telephone box.

MEMORIAL TO RICHARD HART – Cllr Mr N MacGinnis will speak to Mrs Judy Hart regarding a suitable memorial for Richard. A new Bench on the Playing Field has been suggested.

FINANCE.

Financial Statement 1st April 2020 – 31st March 2021.

INCOME:

Precept	= £ 9,500.00
Covid-19 Grant	= £ 500.00
HCC Grant	= £ 500.00
VAT Refund	= £ 2,003.68
3 Village Sports Trust Grant	= £ 200.00
	£12,703.68

EXPENDITURE:

Audit Fee	=	£230.00
Administration	=	£232.27
Website	=	£186.00
Storage	=	£120.00
Clerk	=	£2,520.00
Street Lighting	=	£459.27
Dog Bin Emptying	=	£484.32
Maintenance	=	£2,281.05
Xmas Tree	=	£266.60
Lengthsman	=	£675.00
Insurance	=	£569.61
		£8,024.12

SUMMARY

Opening Balance 1/4/2020	=	£ 1,462.01
Plus Income	=	£ 12,703.68
		<u>£ 14,165.69</u>

Less Expenditure = £ 8,024.12

Closing Balance 31/3/2021 = £ **6,141.57**

Payments made in February and March 2021

R.N. Waterman	Administration	£420.00
SBPC	Storage	£20.00
HCC	Street Lighting	£346.77
Michelle Shill	Website	£186.00
QPC	Lengthsman	£675.00 – Additional Work
TVBC	Dog Bin Emptying	£244.32
PGPC	Hire of Office 20/21	£55.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	£57.30
		£2,004.39

THREE VILLAGES SPORTS TRUST

Mr Rick Smart, Chairman of the Three Villages Sports Trust has written to the Parish Council regarding a financial contribution. The correspondence was sent to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting.

The Sports Trust conducted a survey of residents from the three villages regarding their current usage of the field and how they would like to see it enhanced in the future. We had ninety-one respondents which gave us a very clear picture of what interests the residents and how we might move forward. The Sports Trust and Thruxton Village Association have already agreed to provide some funding for enhancements to the play and seating areas - £750 from the Sports Trust and £750 from the Village Association. Additionally, Kimpton Resident Neil Coleman and I are planning a charity challenge in March to raise money for a sheltered area which could be used for Children's birthday parties, socializing and shelter from the elements. We have already raised £500, and our goal is £1000.

The Parish Council discussed his and agreed to make a one-off donation of £300.

PLANNING.

21/00734/FULLN – Demolish a commercial (B1/B8) and agricultural barn and replace it with two barns used for commercial and equestrian purposes – Land at Manor Farm, Down Road, Kimpton.

The Parish Council discussed this planning application and felt that they needed further clarification on the proposed use of the replacement barns before they made comment.

SOLAR FARM – Pre- Planning Information provided by the Developer of a proposed solar farm in the Parish of Kimpton was distributed to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting. Tidworth Town Council have also been sent the information. The Developer has offered to hold a Zoom Meeting to give a presentation to those concerned. The Chairman will contact Tidworth Town Council to hold a joint meeting.

At this stage the Parish Council can not make comment until the Planning Application has been submitted.

FOOTPATHS.

Cllr C Godard reported that the Village Footpaths are all clear and walkable. The list of footpaths that need cutting by HCC Has been submitted.

ENVIRONMENT/HIGHWAYS.

The Chairman reported that Groundwater Levels are still high and sewage pumping will continue for some time.

There has been further correspondence with Hampshire Highways regarding the damage to the edge of the road surface. Hampshire Highways have stated that the road will not be widened as it is not their policy. Proposals to reinstate the verge and put in new highway posts in front of the existing fencing has been put forward by Highways. The Chairman felt that this needs further discussion as this could be dangerous and does not give sufficient space for 2 heavy trucks to pass and is pushing for a site visit with Highways.

Traffic Calming in Water Lane has been suggested but thought unlikely as the majority of the lane is in the national speed limit. Extending the 30mph speed limit is also unlikely to be agreed by Highways.

Cllr Mrs H Shaldon has reported the potholes needing repair in the Parish. New Dog Fouling signs have been obtained from TVBC and will be placed in strategic places around the village.

CORRESPONDENCE.

- Information on the National Litter Picking event has been received. It was felt that Kimpton does not have a major litter problem. The main road to Perham is a different matter, it is regularly strewn with McDonald's food cartons. The Clerk will report this to McDonalds in Andover who run litter collection teams.
- Information on a funding source for improve Chalk Streams areas focused community projects has been received.

CLLR MRS Z BROOKS.

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks reported:

- Hampshire County Council have confirmed that free activities and meals will be provided at schools during the holidays.
- A new plant has been set up to recycle materials from old roads to be used for new road repairs.
- Cllr Mrs Z Brooks stated that this would be her last meeting as County Councillor as she was unlikely to be seeking re-election at the forthcoming elections. The Chairman thanked her for all the work she has done and the support given to Kimpton Parish Council during her time as County Councillor.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

26TH April 2021.