

## **Minutes of the Kimpton Parish Council Meeting held in Kimpton Village Hall on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.00pm**

Present: Cllr Mr K Tamke – Chairman  
Cllr Mr N New – Vice Chairman  
Cllr Mrs C Goddard  
Cllr Mr H Floyd  
Cllr Mr N MacGinnis  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
Borough Councillor Mr P Lashbrook  
Member of the Public – Mr G Verity

Apologies: County Councillor Mr C Donnelly.

**WELCOME.** The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

There were no Declarations of Interest recorded.

### **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.**

The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Matters arising from those minutes:

SOLAR FARM – The Chairman reported that the Community Payback Agreement with the Meadow Solar Company has been signed and a hard copy is on file.

FLAIL MOWER – Cllr Mrs C Goddard reported that HCC have now delivered the Flail Mower, it will require stripping down as it is not running. Mr Goddard will see if he can get the machine working, if not it will be returned to HCC.

### **FINANCE.**

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE – 24<sup>th</sup> April 2023

After movements below - Lloyds TSB Current Account	= £10,633.50
Deposit Account	= £ 100.00
	<b>£10,733.50</b>

Income.

½ Precept £4,750.00

Payments made in March and April 2023.

R.N. Waterman	Wages	£320.00
SBPC	Storage	£10.00
Mrs M Shill	Website	£235.50
TVBC	Election Expenses	£24.00
		<b><u>£589.50</u></b>

### **PLANNING.**

There were no new planning applications to discuss.

### **THE KINGS CORONATION.**

The Kings Coronation Celebrations were a great success, a most enjoyable day. The Committee would like to thank all residents who helped on the day.

## **FOOTPATHS.**

Cllr Mrs C Goddard reported that the Village Footpaths are all clear and walkable. Mrs Judy Hart has been out working on the Footpaths and most are now clear.

## **ENVIRONMENT/HIGHWAYS/SOUTHERN WATER.**

SOUTHERN WATER - Ground Water levels are still high for the time of year. There was a blockage in the sewer between the Village Hall and the Village Green that was eventually cleared. There have been major ground water issues again and pumping has resumed in Kimpton, Fyfield and Thruxton.

Southern Water have not yet solved the problem with surface water entering the sewers.

ENVIRONMENT – Cllr Mr M New had nothing to report.

HIGHWAYS – A list of potholes in the Parish has been reported to Highways via their Website. Repairs are ongoing.

It was noted that a trench for pipework by the Telephone Box is breaking up, it will not be long before the utilities are visible, and concerns have been raised that they could be damaged. Cllr Mr P Lashbrook stated that he will look at this and contact County Councillor C Donnelly to push through an urgent repair.

## **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR P LASHBROOK.**

Cllr Mr P Lashbrook reported that Test Valley Borough Council are introducing a new Re-cycling Scheme that will be rolled out in 2024. Residents will start getting information on how the new scheme will work later in the year. A new fleet of Bio-Fuel Rubbish Collection vehicles has been ordered, and new wheely bins will be provided to residents.

Test Valley Borough Council have the lowest Council Tax Base in Hampshire. TVBC have a staff shortage, Staff are engaged, trained to a high standard and then they leave. TVBC are trying hard to recruit.

Cllr Mr P Lashbrook spoke about a new traffic movement scheme that will be put into place for the next race meeting at the Thruxton Race Circuit. The aim is to stop Race Circuit traffic coming through the villages.

## **PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS.**

There were no issues raised.

## **CORRESPONDENCE.**

A request from a Parishioner has been received for parking on the Village Green for a wedding in August 2023. Permission has been granted.

## **MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.**

Mr G Verity reported that he has been cutting the grass outside the Village Hall for many years and could now do with some help. This was noted.

Mr G Verity reported that there is an accumulation of rubbish in the Village Bus Shelters. The Clerk will ask Mr B Pearce to resume cleaning out the Bus Shelters. This was stopped at the start of the Covid Pandemic and had not been reinstated.

**CLLR MR K TAMKE AND CLLR MRS C GODDARD.**

Cllr Mr K Tamke and Cllr Mrs C Goddard are standing down from the Parish Council and have not submitted Nomination Papers for the May 2023 Parish Elections.

Cllr Mr M New thanked them both on behalf of the Village for all the hard work they have done during their time on the Parish Council.

Borough Councillor Mr P Lashbrook also thanked them for the contribution they have both given to Kimpton.

The Chairman thanked the Parish Councillors and the Clerk for their support during his time as Chairman. The Parish Council have tackled a lot of important issues over the last four years.

**CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

**DATES FOR THE 2023 MEETINGS.**

To be held in the Kimpton Village Hall at 7pm.

22<sup>nd</sup> May

26<sup>th</sup> June

31<sup>st</sup> July

25<sup>th</sup> September

30<sup>th</sup> October

27<sup>th</sup> November