Minutes of the Kimpton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 26th June 2017 in the Kimpton Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Mr K Tamke – Chairman Cllr Mr G Verity – Vice Chairman Cllr Mr M New Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks Member of the Public – Mrs J New, Mr Winters and Mr Pitt

Apologies: Cllr Mr P Clements and Mr N MacGinnis

WELCOME.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY.

The Chairman reported that Mr D Winters has expressed an interest in joining the Parish Council. Mr Winters had previously served as a Parish Councillor before moving to Kimpton.

Mr Winters stated that he now felt he would like to get involved with the running of the village and would like to see something done with the Village Green.

The Chairman stated that he had consulted with the Parish Councillors and that they have all agreed that they would like to co-opt Mr Winter onto the Parish Council. This will be done at the July Meeting.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr Pitt reported that he had contacted the TVBC Planning Department about the trees at the bottom of his garden. Mr Pitt stated that the Planning Officer has recommended that he asks the Parish Council to write a letter stating that they would support the proposed tree works as they are overhanging the Play Area.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The Chairman signed the minutes of the previous meeting as a true record. Proposed by ClIr M New and seconded by ClIr G Verity. Matters arising from those minutes:

PLAY AREA – The Parish Council held a site meeting at the Play Area on the 24th May 2017 to discuss and agree the way forward. It was agreed at that meeting that the existing play equipment will be refurbished, a second springy animal will be added and a new climbing frame will be placed in the area previously taken up by the Seesaw and the roundabout.

It was agreed that the existing play area fencing will be removed to open the area and that the whole of the Playing Field will be fenced, a pedestrian gate and two farm gates (for vehicle access for events) will be incorporated into the design. A clear route to the footpath from the Village Hall to the kissing gate will be created.

The Clerk was tasked with getting quotes for the fencing. Cllr N MacGinnis will get quotes for the Climbing Frame. The Play Area has been inspected by Playsafety Limited and they have identified it as Low Risk, a few minor repairs are recommended and this will be sorted with the refurbishment.

VILLAGE GREEN – The Chairman reported that branches that fell during the recent storm have been removed and the area around the Bus Shelter tidied. The Chairman stated that he made the decision to include the area up to the Lytch Gate in the grass cutting specification for the Village Green, this now looks much better.

The Chairman reported that he has been in contact with BT as one of the green boxes was left open – the provision date for Super Fast Broadband in the village is still ongoing. Once BT have completed the proposed work the Parish Council will look at improving the Village Green, this will more than likely be in the Autumn.

HIGHWAYS – Cllr G Verity reported that verge cutting has commenced in the parish and he has requested that Kalis corner is included. The contractor cutting the verges has flattened one of the Bend warning signs on the Perham Road, this has been reported to Highways.

The Chairman reported that a request to re-paint the 'STOP' white lines on the school junction has been submitted, Highways hope to get this done this summer, once the potholes at this junction have been repaired.

FOOTPATHS – The Chairman has reminded Hampshire Highways of their pledge to cut Cow Lane this year and has been informed that TVBC are scheduled to cut Cow Lane early July. The Chairman stated that gathering the information of adjacent Landowners is ongoing and nearly complete.

ENVIRONMENT – It has been reported but not confirmed that there is Giant Hogweed growing on the Cow Lane footpath. Cllr G Verity offered to investigate this. If confirmed the Parish Council will act.

WEB SITE – No further news to report.

LENGTHSMAN – Hampshire County Council have still not confirmed if the funding is available for the Lengthsman. Cllr Mrs Z Brooks stated that she has been chasing this up and hoped to be able to report some good news at the July meeting.

PLANNING

17/01326/FULLN – Single storey ground floor rear extension – 1 Farm Cottages, Andover Lane, Great Shoddesden, Andover. – NO OBJECTION.

FINANCE

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE - 26^{th} June 2017 After movements below - Lloyds TSB Current Account = £9,891.33

Payments made in June 2017		
R.N. Waterman	Wages - June	£170.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	£107.79

Mr R Welch	Grass Cutting	£80.00
Mr B Pearce	Grass Cutting/Maintenance	£270.00
Playsafety Ltd	Playground Inspection	£79.80
		£707.59

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS Z BROOKS

Cllr Mrs Z Brooks reported that HCC must save a further £95 Million and that there is bound to be cuts in budgets over coming years.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MRS P MUTTON

Cllr Mrs P Mutton reported that she is organising a daytime 'Meet and Greet' for the Parish Council Chairman to meet the new TVBC Chief Executive. This will be held on the 8th September 2017 at the Fairground Hall, Weyhill. Details will be given nearer the time.

Cllr Mrs P Mutton stated that a recent press release from TVBC has highlighted various Community Grants available, this will be passed to the Clerk.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

The Chairman has produced a draft list for Village Maintenance and gave a copy to the Parish Councillors. This will be discussed at the July meeting.

PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

CLLR MR G VERITY – Reported that he has spoken to the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and there seems to a lack of information coming through from the Police, making it hard to keep the village informed of crimes in the area.

Cllr G Verity suggested that the Parish Council consider replacing the mower, it was agreed that this will be looked discussed at the end of the grass cutting season. The mower has been regularly serviced, although it has not been done this year following advice from the service contractor.

Cllr G Verity gave his apologies for the July meeting.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 31st July 2017