

Minutes of the Kimpton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 29th October 2018 in the Kimpton Village Hall at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr Mr K Tamke – Chairman
Cllr Mr G Verity – Vice Chairman
Cllr Mr N MacGinnis
Cllr Mr D Winter
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
Members of the Public – 2
Architect from Fowler Architect Practice.

Apologies: Cllr Mr M New, Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton and County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks.

Gardening Leave: Cllr Mr P Clements.

WELCOME.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest recorded.

PLANNING

18/02673/FULLN – Two storey extension to provide additional accommodation and living space, and erection of two bay cart shed – 4 Farm Cottages, Andover lane, Great Shoddesden.

The Architect from Fowler Architect Practice answered question on the proposed development. The Parish Council were satisfied with his answers and agreed that they had NO OBJECTIONS to this planning application.

The Planning Application for 'The Cottage' in Cow Lane is going to appeal.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

Mr and Mrs reported that they have a camper van and they have experienced problems with overgrown hedges in Deacon Road.

The Chairman stated that the Parish Council have a list of the local Landowners, this will identify who is responsible for the hedges in question and they will be contacted.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

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

PLAY AREA – The Chairman reported that Just Outdoor Toys arrived on the 2nd October 2018 to erect the unit. They were about to erect it on the top side of our playing field near to the bonfire place. Cllr G Verity stopped them and explained that the unit should be erected in the centre of the existing playground. As the layout drawing, they received did not refer to any fence line or other identifiable location they looked at the gap and decided that it would be best to run the bridge between the 2 towers in parallel to the back of the fence of the Triad houses rather than right angles to it.

On the 3rd October 2018 the Chairman received an email from Mr C Pitt raising concerns about privacy and stating that planning permission was needed and had not been granted. The Clerk checked again with Test Valley Borough Council and received confirmation in an email that the Parish Council did not need planning permission if the equipment was not over 4m in height. At this stage the Chairman halted work on the new equipment.

There was an exchange of several emails and telephone calls resulting in a threat of legal action of Privacy issues for Nos 2 and 3 The Triad. The Chairman, Cllr G Verity and the Clerk met with Mr C Pitt and Mr J Kyle-Henney in the Village Hall on Sunday 14th October 2018 to discuss this issue. After a difficult and tense meeting Mr C Pitt and Mr J Kyle-Henney stated that they would be happy if the new play equipment was moved to the be moved to opposite side of the field as this would solve their privacy issue.

The Chairman, Cllr G Verity, Cllr N MacGinnis and the Clerk have since met with Outdoor Toys on site to discuss moving the Play Equipment. There will be an additional installation charge of £1,200.

The Parish Council on advice from Outdoor Toys have agreed to move the Twin Tower Unity into the top end southern corner of the Playing Field. The slope of the field is too steep to install the unit along the footpath fence line; therefore, the unit will be installed along the Field fence line as far as possible into the top end left corner. Proposed by Cllr G Verity, seconded by Cllr D Winter. All agreed.

Borough Councillor Mrs P Mutton has enquired if TVBC will be able to help fund the additional cost of moving the equipment.

VILLAGE GREEN –

Cllr N MacGinnis stated that he understood the need for the fencing to stop cars driving across the Village Green, but asked if a different colour could be, possibly green. Cllr Mr D Winters investigate this.

HIGHWAYS – Cllr G Verity reported that most of the potholes reported have been repaired. Potholes on the bend at Perham Down have been added to the list. It was reported that the grips at the Deacon Road and Perham Down Road need digging out before the onset of winter.

Cllr G Verity reported that he has spoken to Mrs Yarde-Leavett regarding her concerns about trees and overgrown hedging adjacent to her property. Mrs Yarde-Leavett will now speak to the Landowner.

FOOTPATHS AND ENVIRONMENT – Cllr M New has reported that he will replace the broken step on the Cow Lane Stile on his return from holiday. A footpath sign and stile on the Tidworth Road at Greta Shoddesden will need attention in the next year or so. The Farmer has left a 2-3 ft gap on the Ludgershall side of the double gates recently installed, this is quite clear and usable by walkers without any hindrance, there is no pressing need for a stile.

Cllr Mr M New is to meet with James Emit from the Hampshire County Council Rights of Way Team, they plan to walk some of the Footpaths.

The Ground Water levels are normal for this time of the year. The Watercress and Hampshire Wildlife Group plan to refurbish the Pump on the Green as part of a project to keep the Phil Hill Brook clear.

OX DROVE – Test Valley Borough Council is waiting clarification from Hampshire County Council’s Gypsy and Travellers Liaison Officer, as to which derelict units, the Borough, can move and dispose of, at the Borough Councils expense.

VILLAGE BUS SHELTER – Cllr M New intends to get most of the wood needed and start building the frame on his return from holiday.
TVBC have confirmed that the Parish Council will receive a grant of £667 towards the new Bus Shelter.

DEFIBRILLATOR – The Chairman reported that the recent fundraising event at the Welcome Stranger has raised the remained of the money for the Defibrillator. The Parish Council thought this excellent news.

PLANNING

The Chairman will contact Paul Jackson the Head of TVBC Planning to arrange the planning training session with Kimpton Parish Council.

LENGTHSMAN

The Lengthsman has dug out the gullies highlighted by the Parish Council. Unfortunately, the spoil was not taken away and piles up on the verge, this has caused several problems. The Lengthsman was contacted and will now remove the spoil. A skip will be placed on the Village Green to take away the material.
AFTER NOTE: It was decided not to have a skip and the material is to be removed using two vehicles.

The Clerk reported that Kimpton have not used all their allocated hours and can submit further jobs for the Lengthsman up until the end of the financial year.

FINANCE.

After movements below - Lloyds TSB Current Account = £12,699.72

Payments made in October 2018

R.N. Waterman	Wages - October	£180.00
R.N. Waterman	Expenses	£37.40
Mr B Pearce	Village Maintenance	£140.00
Mr R Welch	Grass Cutting	£40.00
Premier Grounds Maintenance	Digger Hire	£54.00
HCC	Street Lighting	£162.68
Came and Company	Insurance	£560.61
PKF Littlejohn	Audit	£240.00

£1,414.69

PARISH COUNCILLOR’S REPORTS

CLLR MR G VERITY – Reported that he had visited the ‘Repair Café’ organised by Andover Mind in the building adjacent to the Andover Police Station. The repair Café repair electrical items such as laptops, lamps, kitchen gadgets and cycling repairs. The next dates are Saturday 17th November and Saturday 5th December – 10am to 1.30pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A letter from the Kimpton PCC requesting a grant towards the maintenance of the Grave Yard.
The Clerk was asked to issue a cheque for £250.
- A survey on Policing in Hampshire.
- A poster for the Notice Board from Age Concern.
- Information on how to register for the School of your choice.

CLOSE OF THE MEETING

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

29th October 2018 at 7pm in the Kimpton Village Hall.