

## **Minutes of the Kimpton Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 in the Kimpton Village Hall at 7.00pm.**

Present: Cllr Mr K Tamke – Chairman  
Cllr Mr M New – Vice Chairman  
Cllr Mrs H Shaldon  
Cllr Mr N MacGinnis  
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk  
Borough Councillor Mr P Lashbrook  
Helen Vass – Customer & Community Advisor  
Scottish and Southern Electricity Network.

Apologies: Cllr Mrs C Goddard and County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks.

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

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

There were no Declarations of Interest recorded.

### **PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES.**

The Parish Council still have one vacancy.

### **HELEN VASS – SCOTTISH AND SOUTHERN ELECTRICITY NETWORK.**

Helen Vass introduced herself and spoke about the Scottish and Southern Electricity initiative to assist Parish Councils to prepare for a sustained power outage for the vulnerable people in the parish.

Scottish and Southern Electric are working with local Resilience Groups and offer a free registration scheme for parishioners. Helen Vass discussed the best way to get this information out to the village. It was agreed that she would deliver a supply of leaflets containing the registration details to Cllr Mr M New and these will be delivered by hand to the residents of Kimpton.

SSE Network also offer grants up to £20K for local resilience projects

Cllr Mr P Lashbrook invited Helen Vass to the TVBC Resilience Meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Thruxton Race Circuit and stated that he would be happy to work with her to role out the Scottish and Southern initiative. Contact details were exchanged.

**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 safety flooring supplied by Cllr Mrs C Goddard has been laid. Grass is already growing through the safety flooring; additional grass seed will be put down. Cllr Mr n MacGinnis will provide the grass seed.

### **VILLAGE GREEN.**

Staggered Fencing – Mr Brian Pearce has installed the staggered fencing across the green, comments from parishioners about the height of the fencing was noted and it has since been lowered.

He also cleared broken branches off the Green.

Trees - The Clerk reported that Lee the Tree Surgeon has yet to confirm the start date for the tree work. He had indicated that he hoped to start once the leaves have fallen.

Dog Bin - There have been issues with the emptying of the dog bin, but it was hoped that this has now been resolved.

Telephone Box Library - Cllr Mrs H Shaldon will organise for the books to be taken out of the telephone box, once this is done Mr B Pearce will screw it shut for the winter.

HIGHWAYS – Cllr Mrs H Shaldon reported that the school road has been surface dressed and that new white lines and road markings have been installed. Highways did brush up loose chippings on our request. A request has been submitted to Highways for 'Slow Down – Horse' signs. The potholes in Down Road have been reported to Highways – but are low priority!

LENGTHSMAN – The Lengthsman has started clearing the ditches but has been unable to continue due to overgrown hedging. The Lengthsman will continue clearing the ditches once the hedges have been cut back. The Lengthsman is due to come back to finish the jobs on the submitted list.

FOOTPATHS – Cllr Mrs C Goddard and the Chairman met with James EMMETT the Hampshire Access Manager. It has been agreed that 5 footpaths/bridle ways including the Ox Drove and the footpath from Down Road to Snoddington Road will be included in the yearly cutting schedule. Cow Lane will be cut by Highways.

Kimpton Parish Council has to confirm about March each year which 5 footpaths/bridle ways should be cut and when.

The hedge belonging to Garden House on the footpath from the Village Hall to the Welcome Stranger needs cutting back, an earlier cut has now grown back. The Chairman will speak to the owner of Garden House.

A recent problem with water spilling on to one of the footpaths has been sorted by Southern Water.

ENVIRONMENT – The Chairman reported that Ground Water levels are still low. Recent fly-tipping in the village was reported to TVBC.

## **PLANNING**

There were no new planning applications to discuss.

## **FINANCE.**

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019

After movements below - Lloyds TSB Current Account = £7,951.09

Payments made in August and September 2019

R.N. Waterman	Wages – August and September	£380.00
Mr R Walch	Grass Cutting	£160.00
Mr B Pearce	Maintenance	£460.00
Mr K Tamke	Expenses	£19.78
R.N. Waterman	½ Year Expenses	£130.00
Came & Company	Insurance	£554.48
		<b><u>£1,704.26</u></b>

INCOME

TVBC ½ Year Precept = £4,750.00

**BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MR P LASHBROOK.**

Cllr Mr P Lashbrook spoke about the TVBC Resilience training meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at Thruxton Race Circuit. The Air Ambulance will be present.

TVBC spoke about the Travellers that are in the Area. TVBC are trying to get a 'Blanket Ban' and this is going through the courts.

**CLOSE OF THE MEETING**

The Chairman thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.

**DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

28<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 7pm in the Kimpton Village Hall.