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Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 9th September 2014 at 7.15pm In The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst. B37 6BA

Cllrs. present: B. Mulready Vice Chair Acting as Chair
T. Williams
A. Follows
E. Muluka
D. Davis
D. Woolley
R. Webber

In Attendance : RFO Mr. David Wheeler and Ms. J. Aske (Clerk)
Members of the Public: Two members of the public attended.
Borough Cllrs No Borough Cllrs attended

Apologies: Borough Cllrs. F. Nash A. Nash and D. Evans

1. Apologies: To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence:
Cllr. John Milne – working

Cllr. B. Follows – unwell
Chair Cole – On holiday
Cllr. J. Milne Working
Cllr. M. Dawson did not arrive or send in any apologies.

2. Minutes: The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 8th July 2014 were approved by the Council and signed by B. Mulready.

3. To receive reports from Borough Councillors. Reports had been received from A and F Nash verbally and D. Evans sent in a report via email. (see attached).
B. Cllr. F. Nash Had asked the Clerk to report that the family that was having difficulty getting their child into the Kingshurst Primary School had been offered a place in Smiths Wood. The numbers on the waiting list had been exaggerated but there were still children on the waiting list as it is a very popular School. She also thought it would be a good idea to invite Michele Sadler of SMBC's Children's Services to our meetings to discuss the oversubscribed places in the local schools. They had nothing to report on the Mountford Site or the hope of a new medical centre. She added that they were still opposing the John Henry Newman Astro Turf new Football Pitch. Both she and B. Cllr. A. Nash are looking after Chelmsley Wood and Smiths Wood as they do not have Labour Cllrs

to represent them. Vice Chair B. Mulready asked if there were any questions regarding the Borough Councillor reports. Cllr. D Davis said she had heard the John Henry Newman had withdrawn their planning for a 3 G Pitch. It was mentioned at this point that B. Cllr. Evans had emailed the KPC that there is a Regen Consultation on Wednesday 17th in the Pavilions from 1 pm until 7 pm. This may shed light on the recent planning applications that have been passed.

4. Finance: To receive and approve reports from KPC Finance Committee and make decisions as appropriate.

4.1 Finance: Chair of finance A. Follows addressed the Council and approval for £6700 for the cheque list was given. The Current account stood at £29,860.71 the Deposit account of £69.33 and the corporate account of £15053.51 have both been transferred to the current account. He also asked the Council to agree to the purchase of a new computer for the office at the cost of £599 plus software and warranty. This was also agreed and passed.

5. Pavilions: To receive and approve any reports regarding the Pavilions Sporting Club and make decisions as appropriate.

5.1 Update on current situation regarding the Pavilions Sporting Club. Clerk heard today that The Pavilions is being put up for sale with seven other establishments as a private treaty Sale. Clerk has contacted Richard Holt of Evans Derry as a Solicitor will need to oversee the sale of the lease. It was proposed and agreed that the KPC will use Richard Holt of Evans Derry Solicitors in Coleshill.

5.2 Inspection/Survey: Date to be arranged. Cllr. Mulready said the Survey needs to be a thorough survey as the Pavilions is in a noticeable poor state of repair.

Cllr. Woolley expressed concerns over the covenant of guardian ship of the Sporting Field. This will go onto next month's agenda.

6. Events: To receive and approve reports from KPC Events Committee and make decisions as appropriate. Chair of Events Cllr. J. Milne is unable to chair the meetings of the Events at the moment so Cllr. Muluka is standing in as chair. He reported that the Fun Day next year will take place on the 28th June. The Christmas event has been booked for the 13th December. All agreed on this date.

6.1 Cllr. Tina Williams would like permission to lend one of the Gazebos. As it stands now Cllr. Williams said thank you but it is not needed now.

Cllr. A. Follows mentioned that a Christmas tree may be purchased by Bellway Builders for the Parade. Alison Lush of SMBC is trying to get funding for the tree. Cllr. T. Williams asked if they will use our Lights. Not sure about this but he said there will be no cost to the KPC. He will keep us updated.

7. Allotments: To receive and approve reports from KPC Allotments Committee and make decisions as appropriate. Chair of Allotments Cllr. Mulready reported that Sarah Gill of Gro Organic has applied for a grant to carry out work on the allotment. As soon as he knows anything he will report back to the Council. He said a couple of holders are neglecting their plots, but all okay at the moment.

8. Progress reports for information/action and make decisions as appropriate:

8.1 St Barnabas WW1 commemorative Service at 10pm with buffet served after the service in the Seeds of Hope Hall on 21st September to be held at SOH. All Parish Councillors are expected to attend. Any memorabilia

9. New Computer for the Office: This item was discussed in the Finance part of this agenda item 5. All Cllrs. Were in favour of this purchase that will be overseen by Cllr. A. Follows.

9.1 BT broadband and telephone line package is coming to the end of the agreement. Clerk needs advice on a renewal. Cllr. A. Follows said he would look into the costings but thinks the one we have is very good.

10. To receive reports from members representing KPC on outside bodies

10.1 Airport Consultative Committee: Cllr. Mulready will be attending a meeting on 16th. The Clerk had received a letter stating that all Parish Councils are invited to send a representative to the Birmingham Airport Consultative meetings. It said the previous thoughts of not inviting Parish Councils has been abandoned because of the level of concern.

10.2 WALC/SAC: Cllr. A. Follows reported he had attended the recent meeting will ask the Clerk to distribute the minutes when they are available.

10.3 School Governors Reports: Cllr. A. Follows reported a Full governors meeting will take place tomorrow. He could report however that the number have increased considerably for Yorkswood Primary School.

Nothing to report of Kingshurst Primary School.

10.4 North Solihull Partnership Forum: No one was available to attend the meeting. Minutes should be received shortly and will be distributed.

10.5 A display and consultation of recent planning applications passed was going to be on show for members of the public. The Kingshurst residents are invited to visit the Pavilions on Wednesday 17th from 1 pm until 7pm all regarding the Re-Gen of Kingshurst. Cllr. A. Follows went on to say that in the future the front buildings of the Parade will be knocked down and a re build would be on another site. He also added that there is no money to do this.

11. Planning: To consider and comment on any planning applications Received: Nothing to report or oppose.

12. Planning: To consider, comment and take action if appropriate on any planning that is being proposed for the future:

12.1 Local Development Plan: Babbs Mill: Cllr. A. Follows mentioned that Borough Cllr. D Evans is fighting SMBC on the legality of the lack of Consultation regarding the De-Commissioning of the Status of 'Nature Reserve' at Babbs Mill. She has been informed that a Consultation of the residents should have been proposed and granted before any de-commissioning could even take place.

Residents are now invited to look over plans passed by SMBC. Most Cllrs. indicated they will attend.

12.2 Chair Cole would like the Councillors agreement to send out letters to the Parish and Town Councils in the North of the Borough to ask them to support the KPC and residents in opposing the building on the Nature Reserve. All agreed.

12.3 Mountford Public House Site: No updates as yet.

13. Information items: To receive and discuss items for information and comment/action if appropriate.

13.1 Correspondence and emails. All Cllrs. had received copies of emails and post. Clerk read a letter received from former KPC Councillor S. Daly who requests the opportunity to come back onto the Council when there is a vacancy.

A letter had been received in the School Holidays from a Grandmother that had recently asked the KPC to write to SMBC regarding school places in the Borough. Her Granddaughter was refused a place in Kingshurst Primary School this year. She had been told that 50 children were on the waiting list for this September.

Nothing was noted or discussed.

Clerk was asked to send a letter to Former Borough Councillor David Jamieson to congratulate him on his new position as Police Commissioner. Cllr. David Woolley asked to abstain from this.

13.2 Tall Trees at the Back of Eileen Gardens. SMBC are dealing with this request.

14. Public Participation: To adjourn to allow public participation for 15 minutes.

Residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman. Members of the public may not take part in the Parish Council meeting itself.

Acting Chair B. Mulready asked the members of the public if they would like to speak.

Member of the Public K. Evans said that the recent petition circulating to Save Babbs Mill which originated from the KPC has now reached over 900 signatures. The KPC and residents oppose the threat for planning permission to be granted to build 70 homes on the Nature Reserve.

Mr. John Kimberley spoke of the Pavilions and the residents long concerns regarding the lease. He said the present tenants have clearly defaulted on the lease and something should be done to get the Pavilions back into the hands of the Kingshurst Parish Council.

Cllr. A. Follows spoke to Mr. Kimberley of recent events, the KPC had been told a re-allocation of the lease was imminent and that the KPC were organising an internal inspection of the property before the lease can be re-assigned to another company. With the present Company Calco Limited being in Administration the repairs and maintenance of the property fell short of the contractual agreement. The KPC is presently organising legal assistance to oversee the re-allocation when it occurs. The Administrators are reporting now directly to the KPC.

Mr. Kimberley added that at this time it is a important opportunity to change the lease.

Mr. Evans referred to Agenda 9.1 the Broadband for the office. He wanted to know if the same email address will be kept. Cllr. A. Follows said it would still remain the same.

Mr. Kimberley also wanted to add that he hopes the Parade will get a Christmas Tree and mentioned in his opinion the money should be extracted from Solihull M. B. C.

Cllr. A. Follows added that the KPC have had to make cuts of many things to keep the Precept low.

Vice Chair Mulready asked if anyone else wanted to ask any questions. There were no more questions so he went onto the next part of the agenda.

15. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda: Councillors are requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future Agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate or decision making.

AF: Parish Council to have the opportunity to create By Laws.

DW: The Derogatory Remarks of recent publications stating that Kingshurst is a deprived area.

DW: Friends of Babbs Mill: Recent publication of Finance indicates that a Grant from the KPC to purchase a park Bench has not been spent.

To invite Michelle Sadler from Childrens Services SMBC to a Full Council Meeting.

16. New Cllr: Cllr. P. Whyte resigned in July 2014 so creating a vacancy.

Mrs. Linda Cole wrote requesting to join the KPC as a Co-opted Cllr. Linda has recently retired. All Cllrs voted for Linda Cole to join the KPC as a co-opted member of the Council.

17. Date of next meeting: To confirm the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday October 14th 2014 at The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst at **7.15pm**. Items for agenda to be in by Tuesday 7th October 2014.

Meeting Closed at 20.20 pm

Signed Date