



# Kingshurst Parish Council

18 The Parade, Kingshurst Shopping Centre,  
Birmingham, B37 6BA

☎ 0121 770 3017 - FAX: 0121 779 7948

Clerk to the Council: Ms Joanne Aske [kingshurstpc@btconnect.com](mailto:kingshurstpc@btconnect.com)

## Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 7.15pm In The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst. B37 6BA

Cllrs. present: D. Cole – Chair  
B. Mulready - Vice Chair  
T. Williams  
A. Follows  
D. Davis  
J. Milne  
E. Muluka  
M. Dawson

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

### 1. Apologies: To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence:

Cllr. B. Follows – Unwell  
Cllr. D. Woolley – Family occasion to attend  
Cllr. P. Whyte and Cllr. R. Webber did not attend or send in any apologies

Annual Parish Meeting – attached draft minutes.  
Each Cllr had noted the draft minutes of the Annual Parish meeting.  
The Council considered and decided that the resolution recorded in the Annual Parish Minutes would be actioned and the Clerk was asked to send letters to the Borough Cllrs representing all areas of Solihull Council Borough.

### 2. Acceptance of Office: Elected and co-opted councillors that were absent last month made a statutory declaration of Acceptance of Office.

Cllr. T. Williams, Cllr. D. Davis, Cllr. A. Follows and Cllr. M Dawson

### 3. To receive reports from Borough Councillors. A report had been received from newly elected Borough Cllr. D. Evans representing Fordbridge and Kingshurst. (see attached).

No questions were raised from this report. Borough Cllr. A. Nash and Borough Cllr F. Nash had telephoned the Clerk to say that there was nothing new to report at the moment as the elections had taken up a lot of the Councils time.

**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 £5170 for the cheque list was given. The Current account stood at £25640.33 the Deposit account at £69.33 and the corporate account stands at £15053.51.

He asked for approval of the Clickstart backup system for the office which was granted for £88. Future payments to consider will be for the fun day on Sunday at approximately £4k

**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. Cllr. A. Follows mentioned he thought the Pavilions is now due for a valuation. The Clerk was instructed to contact the previous company and arrange for a new valuation. Action Clerk.

5.2 Slabs that are stacked up near garden: It was noted that a large amount of slabs would be in the way for the Fun Day. Cllr. Milne had tried to make enquiries as to who they belonged to. The Pavilions management informed the Council that the slabs were the property of the football club. Chair of Events will make further enquiries.

5.3 Solar Panel as per meeting of March with information from Warwickshire Community energy. No update to report on this as yet.

**6. Events: To receive and approve reports from KPC Events Committee and make decisions as appropriate.** Chair of Events Cllr. J. Milne mentioned he had been approached by a young band. He gave the Clerk a telephone number to see if we could arrange for them to play at the fun day. A letter had been received from Solihull Health Trust asking if they could have an awareness table. This was approved at no cost. A banner will be purchased at £50 for the commemorative anniversary of WW1. This was approved.

**7. Allotments: To receive and approve reports from KPC Allotments Committee and make decisions as appropriate.** Chair of Allotments Cllr. Mulready reported he had received an email from Sarah Gill of Gro Organic, requesting that an opportunity for the Princes Trust to provide a shallow pond for wildlife. All agreed for this opportunity. Problems with the lock had occurred again and a new lock had been purchased. Vandals' had recently got into the allotments and broken window but nothing was taken.

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

8.1 Clerk wanted to remind Cllrs that a guest speaker Mr. Simon Phelps Wild Life Project Officer has been invited to attend July's meeting.

8.2 An Open Event on 21<sup>st</sup> September is to be held at SOH. Alison Saint Arts Project Manager regarding a WW1 Commemorative  
She asks for ideas and help with funding for materials. It was noted that Cllrs and members of the public were confused as there appeared to be two events booked for the same WW1 commemorative day as the Church of St. Barnabas is doing a Service and refreshments on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Clerk was asked to confirm.

**9. To receive reports from members representing KPC on outside bodies**

9.1 Airport Consultative Committee: Cllr. Mulready reported the consultation on Airspace change at Birmingham Airport. A meeting scheduled for the 22<sup>nd</sup> May was cancelled. Cllr. Mulready mentioned that he had heard they may not be inviting parish councils to their meetings any more as only the Borough Cllrs will be attending because of numbers.

9.2 WALC/SAC: Cllr. A. Follows couldn't get to the meeting as there had been an accident and the whole of the M42 was at a standstill. When the minutes are produced he will ask the Clerk to distribute them.

9.3 School Governors Reports: Chair Cole had recently attended a Governors meeting for Kingshurst Primary School. He reported back to a member of the public that had made an enquiry through the Parish Council as to why the lights have to be continually on all of the time in the school, causing light pollution. Chair had been informed that the Insurance companies insist on the lights been left on as intruders can be spotted from outside. The police also agree with this principal as it makes their job easier to see into the school. It is also cheaper for security patrols to be employed as there do not have to go inside the premises to check for intruders.

Cllr. A. Follows had nothing to report from Yorkswood Primary School.

9.4 North Solihull Partnership Forum: No report was available.

9.5 Regen is hoping to produce draft ideas in June for the Mountford site and the Parade. There is no meeting as such and surveyors are in discussion.

**10. Planning: To consider and comment on any planning applications Received:** Chair Cole offered to draft the letter for SMBC regarding the resident's resolution from the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting. All agreed for Chair to draft the letter with the Clerk.

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

11.1 Local Development Plan: Nothing to report on the proposal to build 70 homes on Babb's Mill Nature Reserve.

11.2 Mountford Public House Site: It had been mentioned in Item 9.5 that Regen is hoping to draft some ideas for the site this month.

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

12.1 Correspondence and emails. All Cllrs. had received copies of emails and post. Nothing was noted or discussed.

**13. 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.

Mr. K. Evans took the floor and asked the Cllrs if they were aware that St. Barnabas had helped set up a food bank for Kingshurst children that were going hungry. He asked the Council to offer Grant aid to the Food Bank. Clerk will make enquiries.

Mr. David Hinsley asked the Council if they were involved in the funding and organising of the Kingshurst by the Sea Event. Cllr. J. Milne informed him that we gave them a grant last year, but were not directly involved in the organising but they have borrowed the KPC's equipment on the day which helped. He noted that Mark Frampton had been clearing the frontage of the Parade and planting. He wondered why this was happening if Regen planned to knock down the Library Youth

centre and the Parish Council offices. Cllr. Mulready said that this had been planned a long time ago but there are insufficient funds for it to go ahead at the moment.

Mr. David Hinsley gave a short update concerning Kingshurst GP Practice. The Practice has been advertised in Europe. The building he said is now secured for ten years. He understands that the NHS has been given £80k for refurbishment of fixtures and fittings along with the removal of barbed wire surrounding the property.

Mr. Adams noted that he was pleased the barbed wire was being removed. He mentioned that the gates opposite to the Co-op yard were open 24hrs a day. Surely this is a security risk. KPC will find out why the gate is open.

He went on to say that the Parade is looking disgraceful with all the empty shops and nothing seems to be done to getting them re-opened with new business.

Chair asked if the members of the public had any more to add. There was nothing else to discuss so Chair re opened the meeting and went on to the next part of the agenda and resumed the meeting.

**17. 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.

Nothing was noted so the Chair went on to the next part of the meeting.

**15. Date of next meeting:** To confirm the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst at **7.15pm**. Items for agenda to be in by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014.

Meeting Closed at 7.51. pm

Signed ..... Date .....