



# Kingshurst Parish Council

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## Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013 at 7.15pm In The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst. B37 6BA

Cllrs. present: D. Cole – Chair  
B. Mulready - Vice Chair  
A. Follows  
D. Woolley  
J. Milne  
T. Williams  
R. Webber  
B. Follows  
P. Whyte

In Attendance : Ms. J. Aske (Clerk) Mr. David Wheeler RFO  
Members of the Public: One Members of the Public attended.  
Borough Cllrs No Borough Cllrs. were present.  
Apologies: No apologies were received but the Clerk had not notified the B. Cllrs of the meeting in time for them to acknowledge the Agenda.

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

Cllr. M. Dawson – home emergency, Cllr. E. Muluka – working and Cllr. D. Davis – unwell.

**2. Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> March 2013 were approved and signed.

**3. To receive reports from Borough Councillors.** Unfortunately as reported above the Clerk had not given the B. Cllrs enough time to prepare a report for this meeting.

**4. To receive a report from Sergeant Glenn Mernagh:** Sergeant Mernagh had sent an email indicating that he would be able to attend this meeting. He did not arrive.

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

5.1 Finance: Chair of Finance Cllr. A. Follows reported that the current account stood at £19,406.12 and the deposit account was at £69.33 and David Wheeler would transfer £10k to a new corporate account when the precept was received. The cheques for £3999.85 including a £500 deposit for the fun day amusements were approved and passed for payment.

5.2 The next Finance Meeting would be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> May instead of the 14<sup>th</sup>. All agreed.

5.3 The Finance Risk Assessment was agreed and passed for the Minute Book.

## **6. Pavilions:**

6.1 A new Manager had just been posted to The Pavilions Sporting Club. The Clerk will liaise with her on the outstanding issues that the Council wish to be addressed. Currently we have still not received a copy of the Public Liability Insurance. Paperwork had been received from a company of Solicitors called Willis and this was not relevant specifically to The Pavilions but appeared to be for all of the public houses the Administrators operate. Clerk would still ask for the certificate. It was suggested by Cllr. B. Follows that legal advice be sought as it. Cllr. A. Follows suggested WALC would be able to help. Clerk would ask for some advice from the WALC team of legal advisors.

6.2 Cllr. A. Follows would look into finding a company that could provide an up to date valuation of the Pavilions building for the asset file. All voted for him to gather information and to report back to the Council.

**7. Events: To receive and approve reports from KPC Events Committee and make decisions as appropriate.** Chair of Events Cllr. J. Milne reported he had asked the Clerk to arrange for the banners to be put up in the Parade and in the Pavilions to advertise the Fun Day for June 9<sup>th</sup> this year. He and his family would put the posters up around the area. Ten tables and twenty chairs had been ordered for the day. He would speak with the new manager of the Pavilions and bring her up to date with the fun day event.

**8. Allotments: To receive and approve reports from KPC Allotments Committee and make decisions as appropriate.** Chair of Allotments Cllr. Mulready had received a letter from Gro Organic. Sarah Gill informed the KPC that she is still looking for funding for the project. She is trying to obtain a smaller grant to get the area rid of the weeds. Cllr. Mulready also reported a problem with the lock and he would return it back to the shop and replace it.

**9. Grant Aid: To propose and make a decision for dates of advertising Grant aid.** It was decided to place posters up and advertise immediately for at least 30 days. Chair Cole thought it would be a good idea to put a note on the forms that the applicants should attend the meetings of the KPC. Cllr. B. Follows said we do our best to get involved with the public. Cllr. Mulready said asking the members of the groups to attend may not be possible for all of them.

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

10.1 Cllr. A. Follows met local PCSO's to carry out monitoring of HGV Traffic flows on Cooks Lane. They found 12 Vehicles to be offending the 7.5 tonnage restriction. It was bitterly cold and they broke up early. Cllr. J Milne will attend on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm to monitor traffic with the same PCSO's. A few comments regarding this were noted that it would probably be better to monitor traffic in the early morning and not in the school holidays.

10.2 Report of the recent meeting with the CTC Academy regarding their plans for leisure facilities for the whole community. A number of Cllrs attended a presentation of plans for an outdoor learning centre to benefit the whole community. Within the presentation it was noted by the Council that there would also be football pitches provided that could be used and hired out to various local clubs. Various opinions were aired regarding the North Solihull Sports facilities. From the discussion it seemed appropriate that funding should be provided for the CTC Academy and not to a private company. It was decided to form a committee to monitor the progress of these proposals and report back to the Parish Council and their residents. A show of hands proposed a committee and Cllrs. David Cole, B. Mulready, R. Webber and T. Williams all offered to form the committee.

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

11.1 Airport Consultative Committee: Cllr. Mulready reported the consultation on Airspace change at Birmingham Airport had extended the time to put in views regarding the airspace by 5 weeks.

11.2 WALC/SAC Cllr. A. Follows has nothing to report. The next meeting is April 25th and the KPC are hosting the meeting in the Pavilions, at 7.30 pm.

11.3 Cllr. A. Follows reported the number of pupils has risen and presently Yorkswood School is full to capacity. The re-modelling plans hopefully forthcoming this year will give extra spaces. Cllrs. noted that school places will be in a desperate situation if all the plans for new homes go ahead.

11.4 Cllr. Maxine Dawson had been elected by members of the Full Council to join the North Solihull Partnership Forum and attend their meetings. There is a meeting scheduled at the Renewal Centre for the 17<sup>th</sup> April.

**12. Planning: To consider and comment on any planning applications received:** Nothing received this month.

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

13.1 Hearings from the Local Development Plan - Babbs Mill. A copy of the inspector's legal report had been circulated. The conclusion of the LDF plan will be decided in the summer.

## **14. For information/action and make decisions as appropriate:**

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

13.1 Correspondence and emails: all Cllrs had received copies of post and emails for the month. Nothing was discussed.

## **15. 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.

Chair Cole asked the member of public to take the floor. Mr. Hatfield local resident firstly wanted to say that in his opinion the Christmas tree in Kingshurst Parade was an unnecessary expense for the Parish Council. The Cllrs agreed to look into the issue and several of the Cllrs did think it was very expensive.

Mr. Hatfield then referred to the CTC Academy and felt that SMBC had lied regarding the land the school was built on. He said he had been told that the building frontage had to be built so near to the road because they did not own the land at the back of the school He now understands that that three football pitches will be situated on this land. He mentioned the traffic on Cooks lane did need monitoring.

He went on to say that he thought the school milk bill that the KPC pay for should be shared out amongst Fordbridge Council and Smiths Wood Council as they have pupils attending these schools.

It was established by Cllr. B. Follows that Mr. Hatfield did not want to stop the Children in the three local schools from receiving school milk but wanted the costs to be shared amongst the other councils. The Cllrs responded that it would be difficult to action this proposal as it

would not be right to single individual pupils out according to where they live. Some pupils from Kingshurst also may attend schools out of Kingshurst.

Chair thanked Mr. Hatfield for his input and went on to the next part of the agenda.

**16. 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.

Agenda Items for next month:

Life Buoy at Babbs Mill Lake: A letter needs to be written to Chris Barr Environmental services SMBC to point out the hazards of not having Life Buoys available around the lake.

Reminder Parish Residents Meeting Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm

The Dog excrement on footpaths where children walk to school, church etc.

**17. Clerks Salary and Risk Assessment**

17.1 The Council agreed the Clerks salary increase in accordance with her contract.

17.2 The Risk Assessment and Management was agreed and signed.

**18. Date of next meeting:** Confirmation of the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 7.15 pm in The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst. Birmingham B37 6BX.

Items for the agenda need to be in by Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

Meeting Closed at 8.15 pm

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