



# Kingshurst Parish Council

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## Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 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 D. Davis R. Webber P. Whyte
In Attendance :	Ms. J. Aske (Clerk)    Mr. David Wheeler RFO
Members of the Public:	No members of the public attended.
Borough Cllrs	No Borough Cllrs. were present.
Apologies:	Apologies were received and a written report was sent in.

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

Cllr. T. Williams – Holiday and Cllr. B. Follows – unwell. Cllr. Muluka had not arrived at this point.

### 3. Election of

**Chairman:** The Full Council all voted that David Cole remain as Chair.

**Vice Chairman:** The full Council voted Cllr. Brendan Mulready as Vice Chair.

### 4. Conformation of:

**Responsible Officer:** David Wheeler was voted to stay on as the RFO to the Council.

**Internal Auditor:** Louise Best was voted to stay as the Internal Auditor for the Council.

**School Governor:** A. Follows is an associate School Governor for Yorkswood.

### Members of Committees:

**Finance:** Chair A. Follows remains as Chair of Finance with committee members:

Cllr. D. Davis, Cllr. B. Follows, Cllr. J. Milne, Cllr. D. Woolley, Cllr. B. Mulready, M. Dawson, R. Webber and Cllr. P. Whyte would remain on the committee.

**Allotments:** The Council voted for Cllr. Mulready to stay on as Chair, other committee remained as, Cllr. D. Davis Cllr. A. Follows, Cllr. J. Milne and Cllr. M. Dawson, Cllr. R. Webber, Cllr. P. Whyte and Cllr. T. Williams will remain on the committee.

**Events:** The Council voted for Cllr. J Milne to remain as Chair. Members consist of Cllr. D. Davis, Cllr. B. Mulready, Cllr. A. Follows, Cllr. M. Dawson, Cllr. R. Webber, Cllr. P. Whyte and Cllr. T. Williams will remain on the committee.

**Grant Aid Requests Committee:** It was voted that the committee remain the same: Cllr. Mulready as Chair, Cllr. B. Follows, Cllr. A. Follows, Cllr. M. Dawson, Cllr. D. Davis, Cllr. R. Webber, Cllr. P. Whyte and Cllr. T. Williams will remain on the committee.

**Councillors representing KPC bodies:** Cllr. B. Mulready remains as a representative for the Airport Committee.

Cllrs. A. Follows remains as a representative for WALC/SAC and Cllr. M. Dawson North Solihull Partnership: Cllr. M. Dawson.

Kingshurst School: Cllr. P. Whyte agreed to take on the position if Kingshurst School agreed.

**2. Acceptance of Office:** All of the elected councillors need to make a statutory declaration of Acceptance of Office. All members present did a short declaration.

**5. Minutes:** The minutes of the last meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013 were approved and signed.

*Cllr. Eric Muluka arrived at this point 7.30pm straight from Yorkshire.*

**6. To receive reports from Borough Councillors.** A written report had been sent in and Chair Cole read out the report (see attached). In the report it mentioned the Cash Wash in operation on the Mountfort Car Park. The main worry was that the chemicals used to clean the cars would end up flowing into the storm drains. Cllr. A. Follows had been in touch with the environmental health and it was thought the estate being built in the 1950's would have accommodated a foul sewage system for all water. Chair Cole mentioned that the letter KPC had sent to SMBC had not been acknowledged. He asked the Members if he should write to Ken Meeson. The members agreed that a letter should be written.

The problem of the Pot Holes in Fordbridge Road became a talking point. Cllr. Follows had been assured from a Mr. Philip Farrington SMBC that a new supplier had been taken on and a form of Patch Square would be used to repair the road surface. It was also mentioned that the speed bumps in Meriden Drive were not painted and are not noticeable in the dark.

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

7.1 Finance: The Full Council approved and passed the accounts for year ending 31.3.13.

Chair Cole signed the documentation supplied by Grant Thornton Auditors.

Resolution: The KPC agreed and accepted the accounts prepared by Mr. David Wheeler of Arden Associated as true and correct.

Chair of Finance Cllr. A. Follows reported that the current account stood at £21,402.73 and the deposit account was at £69.33 and £25k to a new corporate account. The cheques were approved and passed for payment.

7.2 The Chair asked the members if they wanted to continue to receive members allowance or put in expenses. Resolution: All members receiving members allowance voted to continue with the system and for it to remain the same amount.

**8. Events: To receive and approve reports from KPC Events Committee and make decisions as appropriate.** Chair of Events Cllr. J. Milne asked which members of the council will be able to help on the day of the 9<sup>th</sup> June. It was established that there would be seven members available to help. We all meet at the office for 10pm. Cllr, Mulready has a key to the gate to let the amusements onto the fields. Chair of Events John Milne said help would be needed to erect the marquee. The Marquee is now on the premises of the Pavilions. Cllr. Woolley asked if a table can be reserved for a local charity that makes money for the Children' Birmingham Hospital, This was granted.

**9. Allotments: To receive and approve reports from KPC Allotments Committee and make decisions as appropriate.** Chair of Allotments Cllr. Mulready reported that three allotment holders needed to be written too in connection with untidy allotments. He would come into the office and liaise with the Clerk.

**10. Grant Aid: Grant Aid:** Grant aid has been advertised and a date needed to be proposed for the applications to be processed and agreed on. It was agreed to meet in the office on the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2013 at 7pm.

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

11.1 Local PCSO's carried out monitoring of HGV Traffic flows on Cooks Lane. Cllr. J Milne did attend on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm to monitor with the PCSO but they did not meet up.

Chair Cole mentioned he has seen 4 HGV lorries using the road between 7 and 7.30 am.

11.2 Committee to be formed regarding the CTC Academy regarding their plans for leisure facilities for the whole community. Chair Cole asked which members would like to form a committee regarding the new planning for leisure facilities on the site. Cllr. E. Muluka Chair Cole and possibility of Cllr. Williams would form a committee to report the progress of the facilities.

11.3 Life Buoys for Babbs Mill Lake. A letter had been received regarding the lack of Life Buoys. (see attached). The Clerk read out the letter and it was put forward that as SMBC could not supply Life Buoys that a letter be written to ask that the correct signage is posted up so users of the Park are responsible for their own safety in the area. Action: Clerk to write to Rebecca Webber, Parks and Open Spaces Officer for SMBC.

11.4 Dog excrement on pavements in Gilson Way. It was decided that a letter should be written to the Solihull Council regarding the nuisance of dog mess. Action: Clerk to write to ask if anything can be done in preventing dog owners from not cleaning up after their pet.

11.5 Web site links. Louise Baudet will be contacted with new links for the website: Cllr. A.

Follows had been in touch with Seeds of Hope and D.I.A.L both are willing to be links on the KPC website. A link can be organised also with SMBC but a letter would be auctioned for permission to do this. Action: Clerk to ask permission for link to the KPC website.

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

12.1 Airport Consultative Committee: Cllr. Mulready reported the consultation on Airspace change at Birmingham Airport. The residents of Hampton in Arden had complained about the new approach into Birmingham Airport. Nothing had been finalised as yet on the Approach and Departure. The Underpass is now well on the way around the airport.

12.2 WALC/SAC: Cllr. A. Follows reported that the meeting of April 25th that KPC hosted was very poorly attended. A Mr. Gary Palmer head of Planning for SMBC came to speak on the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy). Cllr. Follows went on to say that the North of the Borough are not included in the equation and would not receive any money for land being used for development, from the building companies. This was not because it is in the Regeneration area. Different areas could gain up to £100 per square metre of land to go back into a pot for community spending such as a Village hall. But it seems it would not benefit our area in North Solihull.

12.3 School Governors Reports: Cllr. A. Follows had nothing to report.

13. **Planning: To consider and comment on any planning applications Received:** None Received.

14. **Planning: To consider, comment and take action if appropriate on any planning that is being proposed for the future:** Nothing to report at the moment.

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

15.1 Correspondence and emails. All Cllrs. had received copies of emails and post. Apart from two letters:

1. The reply from Rebecca Webber Parks and Open Spaces officer: See minute 11.3.
2. An invite to a charity Ball from Smiths Wood Parish Council. Clerk to write back as Chair away on Holiday.

16. **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.

No members of the public were present.

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.

Pavilions: The possibility the fields are put into Trust

PC Stow invite to Full Council

Car Wash on the Mountfort Car Park

*A reminder that the Residents annual Meeting will take place on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May in the Pavilions at 7pm. Cllr. Mulready left the meeting at 8.09 pm*

18. **Date of next meeting:** To confirm the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday June 11<sup>th</sup> 2013 at The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst at 7.15 pm. Items for agenda to be in by Friday 4th June 2013

Meeting Closed at 8.10 pm

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