

Kingshurst Parish Council

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Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 10th April 2018 at 7pm At the Pavilions Sporting Club Meriden Drive, Kingshurst B37 6BX

Cllrs. present:

- D. Cole Chair
- L. Cole
- P. Cooper-Hinsley
- D. Hinsley
- D. Woolley
- A. Follows
- S. Daly
- T. Williams
- B. Mulready
- J. Kimberley
- M. Dawson arrived at 7.30 with apologies

Apologies Received from Borough Councillors: Cllr. D Evans, Cllr. R. Hall, Cllr. Flo Nash, Mark Wilson and Jean Hamilton.

In Attendance: Clerk to the Council J Aske and 20 members of the public attended.

1/18 Chair Cole opened the meeting with the Welcome and Housekeeping.2/18 Apologies: Cllr. B. Follows and It was mentioned here that Cllr. Dawson had text and is on her way.

Chair announced that agenda item 15 will be brought forward after agenda item 4.

3/18 Minutes of the previous Full Council. Resolved: that the minutes of the Full Council Meeting dated 13th March 2018 be signed as a true record.

4/18 To receive reports from Borough Councillors, West Midlands Police and SMBC's Regeneration Department. All written reports will be attached to the minutes for the minute book. Chair Cole read aloud a combined report from Borough Cllrs D. Evans and R Hall. He also had been given a report from Borough Cllr Nash. This report mentioned the recent travellers and the recent incursion this weekend involving a religious festival that took place in Kingshurst at the weekend with upsetting circumstances.

15/18 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 asked for the members of public to speak.

Former Parish Councillor John Milne took the floor and explained that those present were attending the meeting to voice their protest of the appalling organisation of a Religious festival that took place in the early hours of Saturday night. John estimated that six hundred people from the Romanian Orthodox church ascended on the small Church of St, Anthonys to celebrate their festival.

The interaction between the festival participants and the residents local to the Church and beyond its boundary became heated and fraught. Kingshurst residents he said will not tolerate it.

Descriptions of a security team hired to look after the festival participants were letting people park cars on the full widths of the pavements and across home owners drives. Dirty nappies thrown in people gardens along with rubbish including empty cans and bottles were left.

John Milne said he would ask that the Parish Council help them in stopping this ever occurring again.

Chair Cole spoke of the recent mess left by the Travellers and now understands the situation where residents have had enough.

Another member of the public mentioned here that Borough Cllr. Debbie Evans had received a letter from the Church for it to be advertised on the Kingshurst website. She immediately put a meeting together on the Kingshurst website to meet with the residents.

It was noted the Parish Council had not received any information from the Church or the Solihull Council.

Some letters from SMBC had been received to home owners in the location of the Church asking them to refrain from using their cars between the hours of 10pm and 2am due to the festival. This is outrageous according to the residents.

Chair Cole and Borough Cllr Nash last year had a meeting with the Church Priest and he informed them that he would refer the problems back to his diocese.

A gentleman that lives on the next to the premises spoke of the church parishioners and on that particular day he said there were over one thousand people participating in the festival with many of them urinating in the street and generally being very anti-social and aggressive towards Kingshurst residents. He also mentioned that this happens each Sunday too. He has witnessed them going in with lit candles and states that there is more people going into the Church than the insurance will allow. The Father in charge has told the resident that it is not his problem. Cllr Hinsley offered advice here and said that an injunction should be taken out to stop the Catholic Church sub letting the use to another Christian denominations .

Most people thought this was a way forward.

Another gentleman spoke here of been unable to get out of his drive to do his job as an ambulance driver.

It was noted that no police attended and the unauthorised parking was never ticketed. Each resident has photographic evidence.

Cllr. A. Follows mentioned here that the Parish Council has no more authority than the residents. He said that we would have to make sure that we as the Parish Council can take a legal approach. A member of the public spoke of her concern that these people have been moved on from other areas that will not tolerate them such as a university and a church in Erdington.

Chair said he would take it further with SMBC and the Police. He asked for the residents names and contact details to be given to the Clerk.

No Police presence was a great concern from the members of the public.

It was noted too that babies were been baptised in the Babb's Mill Lake as part of the Sunday Services.

Another resident with a very ill partner had to stand outside her own home to stop anyone parking across her drive in case she needed an ambulance.

Chair said he would go and see the Police Commander and the CEO of SMBC and the Diocese. The concerns have been raised and Chair thanked each member of the public for coming to the meeting and then went onto the next part of the Agenda.

Most Members of the public all left the meeting at this point. Cllr Dawson arrived here. 5/18 Finance:

5.1 Chair of Finance read out the RFO's report as all members of the Council had been present in the Finance Committee meeting. All members of the Council received a copy of the report.

5.2 The finance committee approved cheques this evening to the value of £ 4209.21

5.3 Purchase of microphone approved. Cllr. A. Follows explained the description and all agreed to the purchase. Cllr. Follows will look after it to save the Clerk bringing it to the meetings.5.5 Repairs to fencing by plot 3 on the allotments. Cllr Hinsley offered to look at the repair work for the link chain fencing after Mr. Mark Frampton (allotment holder) had said that he is too busy to look into getting it fixed now that spring is here.

6/18 Events

6.1 Report from the Events working party. Cllr Pauline Cooper-Hinsley reported of the working party's success at finding finance for the Beach party event on the 30th June 2018 11am until 3pm. Most on the list distributed has been organised apart from deck chairs and an Ice cream van and she just asked that the KPC councillors arrive to help on the day. The go ahead was given to Pauline to continue to organise on behalf of the KPC.

7/18 Allotments

7.1 Report from the Allotment working Committee. Cllr. Hinsley reported all the vacant allotment plots have been taken. In a couple of weeks time an inspection will take place. The weather will be taken into consideration. A leaking pipe will be looked at by David along with the fence on the boundary between allotment three and the Pavilions field. Quotes will be ascertained for the repair. 7.2 Report from Vice Chair John Kimberley and Cllr. Sheila Daly -Gro Organic. Both Councillors had meet and spoken with representatives of Gro Organic. They spoke about a way forward. Progress needs to take place regarding the overgrown section of the Jubilee gardens and how this could be funded. Cllr. Kimberley has asked them to submit a report which had not been done owing to holidays. It was hoped the report will be ready for the next KPC meeting to discuss. Ideas of funding and levels of involvement will need to be put forward for approval.

Cllr. Daly added here that she had mentioned some health and safety issues on the completed gardens. The costs were also discussed and then involvement of paying for professionals to complete the projects. She added the ideas that Gro Organic discussed seemed good and is a way forward. She mentioned that Mark Frampton needs to be employed once a week to keep on top of the weeds.

Cllr. Williams though an option of an orchard would be a good idea.

Raised beds would also be a consideration. The weed Mares Tail is still a problem. Cllr. Pauline Cooper-Hinsley mentioned that they have photo graphic evidence of rubbish and hazardous health and safety. This conversation continued.

Cllr. Hinsley mentioned the Allotment holders and the possibility of them forming their own Association. He asked that we wait to see which is the best way forward with the holders and Gro Organic.

Other conversations from previous years were spoken of here.

8/18 Transport and Environmental. No questions were asked here.

9. KPC Documents/legislations to be discussed and make decisions as appropriate

9.1 Western Power- awaiting completion by Evans Derry. The Clerk will prompt Evans Derry to move the contract forward.

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

10.1 Birmingham Airport Consultative Committee: Cllr. Maxine Dawson reported on the recent meeting. Minutes are sent to the Clerk.

10.2 WALC/SAC the next meeting is next Thursday at Castle Bromwich. Guest speakers are representatives from WALC. David Hinsley representing the KPC asked for members to come along to the meeting on the 19th.

10.3 School Governors Reports. Nothing to report for Yorkswood. The Kingshurst Primary recently has had to set up bereavement counselling owing to an unprecedented amount of parent deaths. Chair Cole gave more details.

10.4 Solihull Partnership Forum. Nothing to report here.

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

11.1 Pavilions sporting Club updates. No updates have been received,

12 /18 Planning: To consider and comment on any planning applications received: Nothing received. Nothing received.

13/18 Planning: proposed for the future

13.1 Local Development Plan: Nothing discussed here.

13.2 Mountfort Public House Site: Rubbish and the inadequate fencing was discussed here and Chair Cole will speak directly to John Halton of Whitefriars. 117 homes will be built in the regeneration of the Parade.

13.3 Schedule of Call for sites submissions will be taken off the agenda.

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

14.1 Correspondence and emails. the National Allotment Society will need tall the allotment holders names and addresses. Forms have been sent to the Clerk. Cllr. Hinsley mentioned that we would have to wait for the GDPA before we sent off.

An invite had been received by Fordbridge Town Council to the Chairman's Charity Ball. but this now has been cancelled.

14.2 To invite Claire Marston from the Counter Terrorist Team to be a guest for the Annual Parish Residents meeting. All agreed to invite her and the date sometime in June.

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.

Babbs Mill – lack of support from SMBC – DW. Adam Noon was mentioned here in the hope he may be able to support the warden. Clerk will make contact.

Hedge around the Allotments SD

Cllr. Hinsley mentioned SMBC's David Turton and Alison McGrory would like to come along and speak at a meeting as guests soon.

Pauline Cooper-Hinsley will get some quotes in.

17. **Date of next meeting**: May 8th 2018 any items for the agenda need to be in by 1st May 2018. Venue, **Pavilions Club Meriden Drive, Kingshurst B37**

Meeting Closed at 20.36

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