

Kingshurst Parish Council

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Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 9th February 2016 at 7.pm In the Office 18 The Parade, Kingshurst. B37 6BX

Cllrs. present: D. Cole (Chair)

L. Cole

P. Cooper-Hinsley

D. Hinsley
J. Kimberley
S. Daly
T. Williams
D. Woolley

In Attendance: Borough Cllrs. Debbie Evans and Robert Hall

J Aske – Clerk

No members of the public attended.

1. Apologies:– Cllr. B. Mulready – Unwell

Cllr. B. Follows – Unwell

Cllr. M. Dawson Cllr. A. Follows

Borough Cllr. F. Nash

- **2. Minutes:** The minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 12th January 2016 and the Private and Confidential Minutes were both approved by the Council and signed by the Chair. It was noted that Borough Cllrs. D Evans and R Hall had put their apologies in for the Full Council, but it had not been recorded on the minutes.
- 3. To receive reports from the Borough Councillors.

Borough Cllr. Robert Hall and Borough Cllr. Debbie Evans were asked by the Chair to take the floor. Debbie began to report regarding the off road bikes. Nothing seems to be working to stop the off road bikers. A meeting was held for the Borough Cllrs with Nick Page and Superintendent Alex Murray. Established from that meeting is that an independent telephone number will be available for reporting the off road bikers. Cllr. Hall came in at this point to explain the boundary of Shard End Birmingham from where the off road bikers are coming from. Birmingham Council needs to be involved too to help plug this gap and stop the anti social behaviour of these bikers.

Debbie came in here to say that the Babbs Mill Face book page, run by Sarah Evans is taking an active part in the observations of the bikers. She added that if anyone knows of who owns an off road bike or see them in people's homes and

sheds to report it to the Borough Councillors or Sarah. Warnings can be put in place directly to the owners. Another idea from a CEO Debbie said, is to send cards out to 13 year old stating *please do not have a quad bike for your birthday*. Previous patches had done this and it was successful. She went on to report that seventeen quad bikes have been reported. The hot spot of where they ride are being recorded. But she added without the visibility of the Police it is not a deterrent. She said perpetrators would think twice if they saw a policeman on the beat.

Cllr. Williams mentioned experiences from Smith Wood and that the Police even when they know who owns a quad bike do not do anything.

Cllr. Evans said that any off road bikers in community housing can be charged with anti social behaviour which eventually could result in them becoming homeless. Cllr. Robert Hall said he had good news regarding Yorkswood School and after a cabinet members meeting it looks like the school will hopefully be re-built very soon. He also added that the bad accident that took place some months ago in Fordbridge Road where a car had damaged resident's garden walls apparently nothing is going to be pursued as there is no evidence of speeding.

Robert also mentioned the empty properties that the Police own. He surmised that they should sell the properties such as Steelhouse lane before putting up the Council Tax.

Robert reported the John Henry Newman 3 G pitch, is still an ongoing concern with residents. He had been told by the FA the Pitch will have to remain where it is. Rethinking on 20 miles per hour limits and speed bumps for the future is being considered.

Discussions regarding speed bumps and policing restrictions on Cooks Lane are a problem.

Debbie lastly mentioned the holes in the road surface on the local road; this is being looked at but will have to be treated with a special tar that is not carcinogenic.

Chair thanked the Borough Cllrs for their reports. He added that a verbal report had been written by the Clerk from Borough Cllr. Flo Nash. He read that the Yorkswood School has been allocated a substantial amount of money and looks likely to have the go ahead to have a new school on the existing site. The elderly in the area are frightened to go out after dark.

Cllr. Woolley asked the Borough Cllrs about a problem that has occurred with the locking up of the Kingshurst gates on the Parade. He mentioned that they are not being locked regularly and on Friday and Saturday they were not locked at all. It was locked on Sunday.

Debbie said that this was bought up at the last Parade meeting and she would certainly investigate the situation.

Although the Parade is in Smiths Wood he will send an email to Nick Page. If we are paying for a service then it should be looked into. Discussions took place regarding the boundary line between Kingshurst and Smithswood. Chair thanked everyone and went on to the next part of the agenda.

4. Finance Committee: Chair Cole asked the Council to agree to the figure of £2603.27 plus the £75 for updating the website and the WALC £100 training. All agreed and passed.

5. Pavilions: To receive and approve any reports regarding the Pavilions Sporting Club and make decisions as appropriate.5.1 No updates to report.

6. Events Committee

Chair of Events Cllr. Tina Williams had reported in the Events meeting that the Christmas tree festival will hopefully go ahead in St. Barnabas Church this Christmas. More organisation will take place in the coming months.

7. Allotments Committee

Cllr Mulready as chair of the allotments was absent from the meeting but there was nothing to report.

8. Progress reports: No progress reports.

8.1 Bus Shelter on the Chester Road. Quotes had been received regarding the rebuilding of the roof. The Borough Cllrs advised the Council that it belonged to Centro and they will research this. The Councillors are not in agreement to pay for the repairs.

Cllr. Daly took this opportunity to mention the new bus stop on Marston drive and how dangerous it is. The Borough Cllrs said they would ask for a lay by to be put in.

9. Reports from Parish Council Members on outside bodies

- 9.1 Birmingham Airport Consultative Committee A meeting is scheduled for the 17th February 2016
- 9.2 WALC/SAC - Cllr. Hinsley attended a meeting in January. The Guest speaks were bob Sleigh and Nick Page. The main point that came from the meeting is the West Midlands Combined Authority and what it will entail. David mentioned the probability of a Mayor if the Devolved agreement ever happens which may be sometime at the end of the year. They will go ahead with the West Midlands Combined authority, with aspects of bringing jobs, greater economics and transport into the area. Conversations took place with different opinions put forth regarding the consultations. These ran for two weeks. Borough Cllr. Evans said the powers of a Mayor would incorporate everything not just transport. She gave an example of Housing and the Local Development Plan. Further discussions took place regarding the number of houses that need to be proposed each year up to 2033. It was established that meetings that the Borough Cllrs attended had different information than the information given at the meeting Cllr. Hinsley attended regarding the number of houses that need to be built. The Solihull Plan review copies are available clearly showing numbers.
- 9.3 School Governor Reports No report for Yorkswood, as Cllr. A. Follows is recovering from an operation.Kingshurst School Governors Nothing to report. Meeting due Thursday night.
- 9.4 North Solihull Partnership Forum Cllr. D. Hinsley had nothing to report.
- 9.5 Regeneration Nothing to report
- **10. 44ft Lorries using Cooks Lane:** Chair reported that he has written to Ted Richards regarding this ongoing problem. Chair said he had phoned one of the company

Directors to tell them their lorries were travelling along a restricted weight road. The Borough Clirs said they would try and push the authorities along with this matter.

11. Planning: There were no consultations to respond to.

12. Planning applications

13.1: Local Development Plan: Borough Cllr. Debbie Evans mentioned there are two amendments. The hearing will be 2nd March. Robert said the amendments were possibly an adjustment to plans too near an existing property.

13.2: Mountford Public House site – no updates to report. The Borough Cllrs were asked by the Chair if they knew anything about what was happening with the Mountford site. Cllr. Evan said no information has come to light as everything is all on yellow papers and is tied up with the regeneration programme along with the Parade.

13. Information items

14.1 Correspondence and emails: All Councillors received a list of recent post and emails. All members of the Kingshurst Parish Council had received itemised reports of all post and emails.

Cllr. Hinsley referred to the two tickets that had been sent from the National Allotments Society for the Stoneleigh Show in March. The Clerk gave the flyers to Cllr. Hinsley. A code can be used to get a small reduction so the cost would be two tickets for £18. He thought the tickets were free. Chair said if anyone wants the codes they can see the Clerk afterwards.

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. No members of the public attended.

Borough Cllr. Evans just mentioned here that the SMB Council is doing a campagne for Clean up for the Queen. She produced a poster and asked if it could be displayed.

16. Councillors reports and Items for Future Agenda:

Nothing was put forward here for a future agenda. But the Clerk mentioned that Borough Cllr. Tildesley has been invited to the next meeting.

17. Date of Next Meeting 8th March 2016 at 7.15pm.

	Meeting Closed at 8pm	
Signed	Date	