



# Kingshurst Parish Council

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## Minutes of Kingshurst Parish Council Full Council Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2011 In The Pavilions Sporting Club, Meriden Drive, Kingshurst.

Cllrs. present: Chair David Cole  
B. Mulready  
A. Follows  
D. Davis  
P. Whyte  
B. Follows  
T. Williams  
R. Webber

In Attendance : RFO David Wheeler and Ms. J. Aske (Clerk)

Members of the Public: No members of the public were present.

### 1. Apologies:

To receive apologies and provide reasons for absence:– S. Daly – unwell, D. Woolley – family bereavement, J. Milne – working and E. Muluka – Did not arrive.

### 2. Declarations of Interest:

- (a) Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests
- (b) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature
- (c) To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature

Personal interest:

Events: Cllrs. D. Davis, T. Williams and B. Mulready

Allotments: Cllr. B. Mulready.

3. **Minutes:** To approve the minutes of the last meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011  
Minutes approved and signed.

4. **To receive reports from Borough Councillors** – Cllr. D. Evans and Cllr. David Jamieson could not attend the meeting but sent in reports with their apologies. See attached. Cllr. Mulready mentioned he was glad that the planning for 214 Cooks lane was now resolved with the building application for 8 bungalows. Chair said it was peer pressure that got the result.  
Cllr Mulready mentioned a planning application that had gone through Smiths Wood to build houses in the strip of land between Windward Way and the Chester Road. He said that the KPC should object to this. No information had been received to us at this time. Cllr. A. Follows asked Cllr. Mulready how many houses were being proposed, Cllr. Mulready

thought it was 30. Chair asked the Clerk to have a look for the boundary line to see if it does affect Kingshurst.

Action Clerk

## **5. To receive and approve reports from KPC Committees:**

5.1 Finance: Chair of Finance Cllr. A. Follows mentioned that the Sub Station Rent of £50 could not be updated. It is in the yearly accounts. He stated that the Current account stood at £20,988.76 as we have just recently received the precept cheque of £18,500. The deposit account is at £86.03 and the fixed term deposit account is £40,208.75. No transfer is needed. Cllr. Follows went on to report that the Clerks pension contributions by the KPC have been raised from 9.7 to 13.8%. The Remembrance Sunday buffet would be £250 and the Trumpet player would be a cost of £190. The Cllrs. voted to pay this amount. The majority of the Cllrs voted yes. Cllr Davis pointed out that the money is in Event pot. The pre precept meeting will be 15<sup>th</sup> November in the office at 6.30 pm.

5.2 Events: In Cllr. Milne's absence, Cllr. T. Williams reported that the costume hire shop is still £20 per hire. Chair Cole suggested we have a plan B encase the weather is bad. Clerk would arrange for the Seeds of Hope hall to be hired out on the 10<sup>th</sup> December for this purpose.

5.3 Allotments: Cllr. Mulready reported that all was well with the Allotments. The next meeting will be in March.

## **6. Progress reports for information/action:**

6.1 Pavilions: The Clerk had received the confirmation from Atchison to do a valuation of the Pavilions Sporting Club for the assets for the accounts. The Car park had been patched up. A light at the corner of the car park seemed not to be working or switched on. The list of dates of the KPC meetings has been given to the manager and the hire of the room will not be double booked again she assures us.

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

7.1 Airport Consultative Committee: Cllr. Mulready reported that the Clock Public House the garage and the rugby field are going to be compulsory purchases to make way for the preparation of the new run way.

7.2 CARA: Chair Cole reported that Cara have found new premises. Some interested parties have offered to share the premises with them. New benefit changes are taking place now. Benefits from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 will now be all one benefit. Unfortunately this means that payments will be on a spiralling downwards. Changes in housing benefit will come into play on the 31<sup>st</sup> March next year. People will be a lot worse off than they are now. Chair went on to say, there is a shortage of 3 bedroom houses and the Council is undertaking a scheme to ask single people in three bedroom houses to move so that family's can have homes big enough to suit their needs.

7.3 WALC/SAC: Cllr. A. Follows reported he attended a meeting, most of the meeting had been taken up with a talk on safe guarding children and adults. He mentioned that the Warwickshire Parish Councils will all been affected if the plans for the HS2 fast speed train go ahead. Also the WALC membership will increase by 5% not the 20% that was first thought. Cllr. B. Follows announced that she would be stepping down from the committee as ill health was getting the better of her sitting for long lengths of time in the meetings. She

asked if anyone else would like to take it on. We would put it on the next agenda and the Cllrs could have a think about it. Cllr. B. Follows said its only once a quarter starting at 7.30. The meeting is held in different areas of the Solihull Borough.

#### 7.4 Governors Report:

Cllr. A. Follows governor of Yorkswood Primary School had attended a meeting. The school had not realised how many homes in the area will be built as part of the regeneration programme. The worry that the schools will not be able to accommodate more pupils has become a big concern. Cllrs. discussed that this happened years ago in the borough when schools closed down and merged with others it caused the same problem. There does not seem to be any forward thinking. Cllr. A. Follows said SMBC have a body of people that will look at the figures as the population is increasing.

8. **Youth Council:** Cllr. A. Follows said he cannot take this on as he is over committed. Chair Cole said he may be able to. There is a possibility the Cllr. Muluka could take it on. Cllr. Whyte had thought about it but she also is overstretched with commitments.
9. **Kingshurst Primary School Award:** The Cllrs. took a vote to purchase the plaques for the three primary schools in Kingshurst. Also to pay for a repair to one which has been broken. Cllr. Follows will liaise with the Clerk to sort out the wording and design.
10. **Planning Application of Caretakers garden boundary and fence:** Chair went on to the next item on the agenda.
11. **Cllr. Woolley wishes to know which members of the KPC delayed the objection to the above planning application.** Chair went onto the next item as Cllr. David Woolley had not been able to make the meeting.
12. **Cllr. Woolley: Health and safety of the school children with the issue of concrete boulders, rotting fences, tree stumps and dead trees. Cars blocking Gilson Way because parents have to leave their cars to bring and collect the children now.** Chair said this item is not a matter for the Parish Council, and went onto the next item on the agenda.
13. **D. Merry: SMBC training required for Cllrs in Declaration of Interest: Possible date 31<sup>st</sup> October 2011** Confirmation of the meeting and which Cllrs are able to attend. Meeting will be in the Office of the KPC at 6pm
14. **Parade Market:** Cllr Davis just wanted the council to know that they had looked onto the idea of having a market on the Parade but taking advice from SMBC it would not be a possibility.
15. **Date of next Meeting: DC: Possible have the FCM on the 10<sup>th</sup> November as DC does not want to miss another meeting.** This was not necessary now at the next meeting of the full council will be on the 8<sup>th</sup> November
16. **Information items:** To receive and discuss items for information and comment/action If appropriate.
  - 14.1 Correspondence and emails: Clerk asked about the WALC workshop and meeting.

14.2 Planning: No planning applications had been received for this area.

**17. 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 were present

**18. 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 an opportunity for debate or decision making.

Grant Aid

Action for poverty information or speaker.

**19. Date of next meeting:** To confirm the date of the next meeting which is scheduled for Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November , 2011 at The Pavilions Sporting Club at 7.00 pm. Items for agenda to be in by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011.

Meeting Closed at 8.15 pm

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