

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 21st January 2015**, at Piccadilly Community Centre.

Present: Councillors: Chair K Carr, C Ayasamy, A Simpson, I Thomas, B Moss A Lewis, M Moss, and J Thomas.

Clerk: S Humphries

Apologies: Councillors A Jenns, J Whitby and H Phillips

Members of the Public: One

753 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors B Moss, M Moss, and A Lewis declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- Councillor A Lewis declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Warwickshire CAVA Local Management Committee and Beeline Community Transport.
- Councillor A Lewis declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Piccadilly Community Association.
- Councillor A Simpson declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Hurley Community Centre.
- Councillor J Whitby declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Wood End Working Men's Club as she is a committee member.
- Councillors J Thomas, A Lewis, M Moss, I Thomas, and C Ayasamy declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to HS2.
- Councillor B Moss declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning the Community and Youth Centre, Kingsbury as he is a Trustee.
- Councillor J Thomas declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall Committee and Piccadilly Community Centre.
- Councillor I Thomas declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning the Oil Depots and Piccadilly Community Association.

754 Public Questions

The following items were brought to the Parish Council's attention and will be followed up.

- Damage to a panel and a missing strip in the bus shelter on Tamworth Road, Kingsbury.
- Request for a grit bin for Sycamore Road, Tamworth direction.

755 Minutes to be Approved

It was proposed by Cllr A Lewis and seconded by Cllr J Thomas and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 19th November 2014 are approved as a true record.

756 Piccadilly Issues (735)

Councillor I Thomas suggested that the children's gate access to the play area should be spring loaded for safety reasons. NWBC have said that it should be easily accessible both ways should someone need to exit the play area quickly. Councillor I Thomas thought that it was originally spring loaded to stop animals getting in. To be followed up.

757 HS2 (736)

The Parish Council, Kingsbury and District Action Group and individual petitioners attended the Government Select Committee to give evidence on 15th December 2014. The Select Committee praised all for their presentations and Sir Peter Bottomley described them as "an example to others

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who will come in front of us". Councillor I Thomas thanked all those involved for the many hours of work that was put in to get the presentation ready.

There was a re-scheduled meeting of the Area Forum on 20/1/15 for HS2 Phase 2 to update the meeting as they were unable to make the November Area Forum meeting.

On 16th January the Government launched the full package of measures to provide assistance to owner-occupiers along the line of route for Phase 1 of the High Speed Two (HS2) railway.

758 Church Lane play area (738)

Councillors M and B Moss have had a look at the back board of the football wall and have come up with an idea to make this acceptable. This will be carried out shortly.

The quarterly play inspection has been carried out in January and any minor repairs will be directed to NWBC to carry out for us.

759 Two AEDS for Wood End and Kingsbury Co-ops (740)

Two cabinets have now arrived at the Kingsbury and Wood End Co-op stores. The Clerk is in contact with the Manager of the Tamworth Co-op to arrange the fitting of these.

We were provided with an agreement to sign for the units so that they could be registered with the Ambulance service. The Chair duly signed these.

A matter that was raised was pads for children. A spokesperson from the ambulance service did not recommend having two sets of pads as this could confuse and children rarely suffer from cardiac arrest.

760 Councillors Parish Matters Outstanding from April to July 2014 (741-3)

The following responses/information has been received from the relevant authorities:

- **Bodymoor Heath Lane off the A4091, signs missing/damaged** – Following further information this will be passed onto WCC. Also Councillor J Thomas reported that she only found out about the closure of A4091 in January 2015 by chance from NWBC website and residents were told the day it was shut.
- **A tree at the top of Pit Hill is rotten and needs removing** – The location has now been established and will be reported to WCC.
- **Overhanging vegetation from garden in Church Lane and restricted vision** – Councillors M and B Moss met with WCC to discuss the pull-in that vans are frequently parked in, causing pedestrians to pass on the road. This will be moved forward by WCC to have it closed off. It was suggested that a further letter be sent to WCC to put some measures in place that the homeowner removes/severely prunes the vegetation blocking vision for motorists.
- **Gully overgrown below Anchor Inn, leading to school from Knowle Hill** – Footway T52 belongs to WCC Paths and the Clerk will find out how often this is cleared.
- **BT junction box by bottom of Church Lane is obstructing vision** – Councillors feel that they should have been notified in order to comment. A letter will be sent.

761 Planning Applications

There were no planning applications that required discussion or comment.

762 Filming and recording of meetings (746)

New legislation has been received on filming and recording of meetings. A protocol should be agreed and displayed in the meeting venue. A suggested protocol was discussed and subject to a couple of amendments to be made, will be changed ready to sign at the February meeting. This was proposed by Councillor B Moss and seconded by Councillor J Thomas and agreed.

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The following responses/information has been received from the relevant authorities:

- **Flashing vehicle height sign not working, Piccadilly** – WCC are in the process of checking this. Cables have failed and it is likely that nearly 70 metres of new cable will need to be laid.
- **30mph signs put up for around Piccadilly village when it is not possible to do that speed, common sense should drop the limit** – We are awaiting an answer to this.
- **Water problems bottom of Pit Hill again** – This has been cleared. It was due to the gully being blocked between the bridge and junction Pit Hill.
- **Ditch opposite Wood End Primary School needs clearing** – Reported to WCC and on a waiting list to be done.
- **Path down by Edge Hill footpath needs leaves sweeping** – Reported to WCC
- **Residents' concerns about speeding Edge Hill to pass onto WCC traffic** – A response has been received back from WCC to both complaints. Consideration cannot be given to introducing formal waiting restrictions on Edge Hill and WCC have investigated the accident history for this section of Edge Hill for the five year period and there have been no injury accidents reported to the police. Any concerns about speed should be directed to the police as they have enforcement powers.

764 Correspondence

The Clerk reported on the following items of correspondence at the meeting. If any further information is required please contact the Clerk (details on the website):-

- NWBC - request from Kingsbury Club to cut back bushes covering the fire doors. This was looked into but more information was asked for as the doors exit onto the parish play area.
- Clerks and Councils Direct January issue
- WALC Nominations for Royal Garden Party May 2015
- Annual meeting-Borough and Parish Councils 29/1/15 at Hartshill Community Centre at 7pm
- LCR magazine – winter 2014
- Parish play area reports. Any concerns to be addressed with NWBC in the first instance.
- Post Office proposed move to new premises at Mr News Newsagents, 2 Jubilee Court, Kingsbury, B78 2LL, and branch modernisation. Six week consultation ends 23/1/15. Concerns will be submitted on the access/room for wheelchairs and pushchairs.
- NWBC proposed short course on play area responsibilities.
- Superfast Broadband – January update
- Planters vouchers – Councillors to come up with ideas for next meeting
- Ink/printers – to look into bulk buying of ink
- Kingsbury WI commemorate 100 years
- Wood End bus shelter damage to panel and leaking roof – to be reported to WCC for repair.
- WALC newsletter – copied to all
- NALC salary award
- St Michaels Church, Wood End sent a letter of thanks for the donation towards the tree work and this was read out to Councillors.

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The following matters will be raised with the relevant authorities:

- Recycling post needs removing on the corner of Wood Street/Tamworth Road – Councillor A Lewis (NWBC have already been informed).
- Kingsbury Post Office closing hours on Christmas eve – Councillor M Moss.
- Bus stop by Mill Crescent roof leaking – Councillor M Moss.
- Path by bus stop and main road needs trimming – Councillor M Moss.
- Kerb loose outside 'Red Box' Wood End – Councillor A Lewis.

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- Bus route 16 turns round at Doctors corner Kingsbury – can it turn by Mill Crescent? – Councillor M Moss.
- Councillor J Thomas gave an update regarding Warwickshire North CCG and Warwickshire CAVA who are working with the Phoenix Group to try and provide funding towards a mini bus. WCAVA have offered administration assistance. One of the ladies from the group is training to get her licence to drive the mini bus. Nursing assistance is going to be provided and they have already been in once. Work from both organisations is continuing. Thanks were given to Cllr Derek Pickard the Health lead at NWBC and Cllr Ann Lewis will pass these onto him.
- Mole hills in churchyard – Councillor C Ayasamy.
- Lorries blocking road and using wrong route from EMR – Councillor J Thomas.
- DSV van stuck under low bridge – Councillor K Carr.
- Still parking issues by Kingsbury Primary School – Councillor K Carr.
- No recycling leaflets left – Councillor K Carr. Other Councillors reported these were printed in Northtalk and are on the website.

766 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18th February at Wood End Village Hall.

2015 Parish Council meeting dates have been approved and will be posted on the website and notice boards. Please note that the May 2015 meetings after the election are moved to Monday 11th May 2015.

767 Accounts for payment (where accounts include VAT this will be claimed back)

It was proposed by Councillor A Lewis and seconded by Councillor B Moss and agreed:

RESOLVED: That the accounts listed below be approved for payment and the relevant contribution to the pension scheme would be paid by bank transfer.

Administration Costs - January	£898.64
Piccadilly Community Centre – hire of room for meetings	£32.00
Reimbursement of travelling costs to London HS2 Select Committee	£332.95
Broxap Ltd (Dog Waste bin for Kingsbury alongside parish play area)	£312.00
North Warks Area Committee Subscription	£10.00

Bank Balances **31st January 2014**

Current A/c	£3,156.99
Business Reserve A/c	£37,910.18

Signed _____

Dated _____