

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 15th March 2017**, at Piccadilly Community Centre, Piccadilly.

Present: Councillors: Chair J Whitby, I Thomas, J Thomas, A Lewis, B Moss, M Moss, H Phillips, J McNally, A Jenns and A Simpson.

Clerk: S Humphries

Members of Public: Two

Apologies: Received and accepted from Councillor C Ayasamy.

94 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors B Moss, A Jenns, H Phillips and A Lewis declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- Councillors A Lewis and H Phillips declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Warwickshire CAVA Local Management Committee.
- 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 Association.
- Councillor J Whitby declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Wood End Working Men's Club.
- Councillors A Jenns, A Lewis, I Thomas, J Thomas, H Phillips, M Moss, and J McNally declared a personal interest in any minutes relating to HS2.
- 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.

95 Public Questions (81)

There were no public questions raised but the owner of Kingsbury Hall and his landscape architect came to show Councillors some initial plans and discuss the surrounding area from a landscaping point of view, prior to final plans being submitted to build houses on the site. They want to keep the community involved with any ideas. The driveway to Kingsbury Hall would need to be improved with a passing area and they need to consider the safety of pedestrians as part of the plans. Some of their initial proposals were to change/use part of the parish recreation ground as part of a future planning application for the Hall site. This was certainly not discussed at the meeting prior to this. Councillors requested that anything like this in future was given to them prior to the meeting so they could have more time to look at what was being presented.

96 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 18th January 2017 are approved as a true record. (There was no meeting in February).

97 HS2 (83)

Councillor J Thomas reported that the open information afternoon went well. Jonathan Lord is the lead for our area and the HS2 Bill now has Royal Assent.

In the Environmental Statement for Phase 2B it is suggested that the parish look at paths and public rights of way.

The Clerk was asked to write to WCC to highlight the concerns of parishioners/Councillors with regard to increased traffic when work starts on HS2 Phase 1, particularly around the railhead which will have an impact on local commuters and general traffic using routes around Kingsbury and M42 Junction 9, which is already extremely congested on a regular basis.

Visit www.gov.uk/hs2 for more information or e-mail HS2enquiries@hs2.org.uk

98 Broken fence Trinity Road bridge by EMR. Network Rail property (85)

Network Rail has now closed this service request (ref 160719-000469) saying that a local person from the depot will contact us directly. This has still not happened and will be followed up.

99 Planning Applications

The following planning application was brought to Councillors attention and discussed:

PAP/2016/0572 – Amended plans, Clinic Site, Kingsbury, erection of 6 dwellings. These have now been agreed by Highways and Councillors B Moss and A Jenns have met with NWBC regarding the public right of way that originally went across the site. Conditions will be written into the application.

100 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):-

- Play area damage reported but was NWBC site and is being addressed.
- Temporary closure of Heanley Lane, Hurley 23rd to 24th March.
- Land off Rush Lane Tamworth. Request to meet Councillors re potential development. More information will be requested.
- NWAC of Parish Council meeting, document on Boundary Commission Submission.
- Keyring Mental Health service.
- Community Speedwatch. It was agreed that if anyone wanted to be put forward for this, it would be supported by the parish council.
- Tame Valley Wetlands Community Gathering 25th March from 10-3pm.
- NWBC Local Draft Plan – drop in exhibitions, Kingsbury Methodist Church Hall 20/3/17 4-7pm and Wood End Village Hall 23rd March 4-7pm
- NWBC Street Naming and Numbering – 35-57 odd Boulters Lane, Wood End and Stonehill Barn at Cliff.
- Transparency Code for websites, Clerk to look into.
- Sale by Auction of The Old Privvy, Kingsbury which backs onto the parish recreation ground.
- North Warks neighbourhood Watch meeting on 23rd March at Hartshill Community Centre at 7.30pm.
- Legal Topic notes for Parish Councils on Contracts and Negligence.
- Site off A51 soil importation response from MPs office. This was discussed further but felt that the parish council could not do anything further but monitor the activity and report.
- Clerks and Councils Direct March issue.
- Warwickshire Local History Society information and subscription due. This was agreed and will be raised in accounts for payment.
- Mayor of North Warwickshire's Civic Service on 23rd April 2017 at Polesworth Abbey.
- Grounds maintenance services 2017/2018. The quote for 2017-2018 was discussed and it was agreed by all to enter into the 2 year fixed price agreement with NWBC.
- Kingsbury Church is looking at possible items for us to make a donation, after the break in.

101 Councillors Parish Matters raised January 2017 (91)

The following have been reported to the relevant authorities:

- **Dog mess around Sycamore play area and generally bad at the moment** – Reported to NWBC, Dog Warden.
- **Rush Lane sign pointing towards Dosthill** – WCC have inspected and raised defect to re-erect signs to face Rush Lane and weight restriction sign on Rush Lane is also leaning and facing wrong direction defect also issued for this.
- **Weight limit sign pointing wrong way in Pear Tree Avenue** – WCC have issued defect to re-erect sign to face Trinity Road.
- **Floods under low bridge Piccadilly** – Defect issued to jet drainage Trinity Road from Railway bridge to Kingsbury Link island to be programmed with road closure overnight on 23-24th Feb.
- **3 Lights out in Piccadilly** – Reported to WCC lighting department.
- **Request for dog stencils as fouling is bad in Smith St and Wood St** – Reported to NWBC.
- **Lamp on all day and night in Church Close** – NWBC to investigate.
- **Bent sign opposite Trinity Road junction with Overwoods Road** – WCC have requested replacement sign drawings from Traffic and Safety as the signs are damaged and require replacement. Upon receipt of drawings a defect will be raised to get the contractor to install.

102 Parish Council Insurance for 2017/2018

A comparison and three quotes were received and discussed for the parish council insurance. It was proposed by Councillor B Moss and seconded by Councillor I Thomas and agreed to accept the 3 year deal for best value and cover.

RESOLVED: Insurance cover to be purchased on a 3 year deal at a cost of £872.60 a year.

103 Councillors Parish Matters raised March 2017

The following will be reported to the relevant authorities or are for information:

- NWBC Notice board glass smashed Coventry Road – Councillor J McNally
- Timetable case vandalised in Mill Crescent bus shelter – Councillor J McNally
- Cornforth Close fence panels down – Councillor M Moss
- Dog mess by Doctors in Kingsbury. Can we approach the dog warden for an appropriate place for a bin? – Councillor A Jenns
- Generally dog mess is a problem at the moment – Councillor H Phillips
- Pot hole/drain opposite Trinity Road/Tamworth Road junction to Wood End – Councillor A Lewis
- Trees Wood Street some vandalised and overgrown by 21/23/25 – Councillor A Lewis
- Large pot hole main road Baxterley by church – Councillor J Whitby
- For Information - Piccadilly has formed a WW1 group – Parish at War – looking at a craft/art project for each village. They are looking at applying for funding – Councillor J Thomas

104 Next Meeting

The April meeting will be on Wednesday 19th April at Wood End Village Hall.

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

It was proposed by Councillor H Phillips and seconded by Councillor A Lewis 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 – March	£1,089.09
HMRC – Quarterly payment	£421.38
NWBC Grounds maintenance	£1,354.39
Came and Company Insurers	£872.60
Piccadilly Community Association – room hire	£20.00
Warwickshire Local History Society subscription	£20.00

Bank Balances **31st March 2017**

Current A/c	£4,312.35
Business Reserve A/c	£13,497.00

Signed _____

Dated _____