

Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Monday, 11th May 2015**, at Jubilee Court Community Room, Kingsbury.

Present: Councillors: Chair J Thomas, I Thomas, B Moss, A Lewis, A Simpson, C Ayasamy, M Moss, J Whitby and J McNally

Clerk: S Humphries

Apologies: Councillors A Jenns and H Phillips

823 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests

- Councillors B Moss and A Lewis declared a personal interest in any Borough Council issues.
- Councillors A Lewis 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 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, I Thomas, M Moss 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.

824 Public Questions (804)

The following items were brought to the Parish Council's attention and updates are as follows:

- **Pathway from Bromage Avenue to Church is being used as a cycle way** – Highways have raised a defect to make safe the cracks in the footway and included on the patching programme. WCC Rights of Way team are dealing with the no cycling signs. Councillor J McNally asked if the signs could be moved so they can be seen from both paths and this will be forwarded to WCC.
- **Parking on paths at night opposite Co-op, Kingsbury** – This has been further reported to the Police and they have spoken to some of the vehicle owners.

825 Minutes to be Approved

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

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 15th April 2015 are approved as a true record.

826 Piccadilly Issues (806)

NWBC are aware that the access gate for the workmen to mow the play area was not properly locked and will look into this.

Councillors I Thomas and A Lewis reported the kissing gate has been stolen/taken from the far side of the field and NWBC are aware and will be ordering a new one.

827 HS2 (807)

Councillor J Thomas reported back from the latest local Railhead meeting.

The Kingsbury and District Stop HS2 Action group had received a letter from HS2 in response to their complaint about the arrangements for the last meeting, and answers to some of the questions raised by the group. HS2 confirmed that the review of traffic on Bodymoor Heath Lane would take place during the detailed design stage. The re-examination of the traffic flow on Junction 9 of the M42, which was requested by the Select Committee following our presentation, was completed back in February according to HS2 in their letter, but they have been leading us to think that this was not available until it had been to Committee and was not produced for us at our meeting with them in March. HS2 are still standing by the fact that the road network around Junction 9 can cope with their extra traffic!

Additional provisions to the HS2 Bill will be deposited in Parliament on 13th July 2015 and these will be delivered to the Clerk in electronic format a few days later.

Councillors were asked to think of any projects for the community so that we could complete expression of interest forms for WCC in advance of an HS2 Community Benefit Fund being made available. Initial suggestions included outdoor fitness equipment for our play area, benches and reinstating Kingsbury station.

828 Church Lane play area (808)

The Clerk is looking to obtain quotes for the replacement of any rotten logs and to compare prices with a more durable material.

829 AEDS (809)

Councillors discussed the site for a unit for Hurley. The Clerk has been offered a free unit if we provide the cabinet to house it. Councillor A Simpson was asked to contact Hurley Community Association to see if it could go on the front of the village hall. The doctors surgery was also suggested.

It was discussed about purchasing further units for Piccadilly and the Clerk was asked to find out if there were any more units to be offered free of charge.

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

RESOLVED: The parish council would purchase a cabinet for the donated AED for Hurley at a cost of approximately £800 with fitting to be added to this.

830 Flashing vehicle height sign, Piccadilly (810)

WCC have now arranged a meeting with the Kingsbury Oil Terminal Manager on the 19th May to discuss their work proposals and issues they may have regarding the work to reinstate the sign.

831 Planning Applications

There were no planning applications to be brought to the Council's attention for this meeting.

832 Bus shelter by Mill Crescent roof leaking etc (812)

The work has now been carried out on the bus shelter and it looks like a new shelter. Councillors were impressed with the finish. NWBC have ordered a new litter bin for the site as the old one is corroded.

833 Requests for funding (813)

Hurley Kings FC – The Council agreed at the last meeting to pay for the transportation of a winding wheel weighing 7 tonnes. A quotation needs to be provided by Hurley Kings FC.

834 Councillors Parish Matters Raised January/February 2015 (814)

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

- **Bus route 16 turns round at Doctors corner Kingsbury – can it turn by Mill Crescent?** – The Clerk has now spoken to Central Buses about this and they seem keen to provide this extra route but will have to wait until timetable changes allow and it can be publicised.

834 Councillors Parish Matters Raised January/February 2015 continued (814)

- **Vibrating Trains in Kingsbury** – Councillors have further reported noise from heavy goods trains. The request has been assigned to Network Rail's Track engineer to investigate.
- **Central reservation post needs replacing by Mill Crescent** – A new solar bollard top has been ordered and will be fitted when it is delivered to WCC.
- **Water leak in path Mill Crescent** – WCC have reported that any resident or the parish council can report leaks by calling 0800 783 4444 but they will look into this one. WCC could not locate the leak. Councillors reported it is worse in the mornings.

835 Kingsbury Parish Recreation Ground (815)

Land Registry documents were sent for to confirm boundaries and covenants on the play area site. This has been sent to WALC legal team for clarification. We are awaiting the feedback from this.

836 Councillors Parish Matters Raised March/April 2015 (817/819)

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

- **Hurley Common to Daw Mill Pot holes** – Highways requested clarification on the position of these.
- **Plant a tree in each village for 1st World War memorial** – This was agreed as a good idea and will be looked into further, with regard to what type of tree/plaque and where to put them. It is not the best time for planting at the moment.
- **Damaged bench opposite Post Office, Hurley** – A replacement bench was discussed and proposed by Councillor A Lewis and seconded by Councillor M Moss and agreed that:
RESOLVED: A bench would be ordered to replace the old damaged one on Knowle Hill by the junction of Brick Kiln Lane at a cost of approx. £850 plus the fitting cost.
- **Overgrown vegetation Chestnut Close to Oak Tree Close needs cutting back** – WCC have checked this area and it is all clear. We are asked to check to ensure it is the correct area reported.

837 Kingsbury WI celebrate 100 years (818)

Kingsbury WI celebrate 100 years this year and have asked permission to decorate trees along Tamworth Road Kingsbury for a couple of weeks in August/September. WCC have granted permission to do this as long as it is covered by our Public Liability Insurance. The Clerk to write a risk assessment for insurance purposes and the Parish Council will need to be involved with the arrangements and keep an eye on the decorations when put up.

838 The General Power of Competence

Eligibility to continue using this power needs to be confirmed at the meeting after an election. More than two thirds of Councillors need to be elected and the Clerk needs to be qualified. This was proposed by Councillor I Thomas and seconded by Councillor A Lewis and agreed:

RESOLVED: That Kingsbury Parish Council is still eligible to use the General Power of Competence where necessary, as they still meet the criteria set.

839 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 Draft Decision-removal of public call box at Piccadilly – Consent for Removal
- Tame Valley Wetlands – request to put information on our website
- WALC Local Government Ombudsman paper
- Community Safety Ambassador – proposal to produce monthly briefing paper
- Kingsbury Meadow local nature reserve – NWBC and Warwickshire Wildlife Trust asking to put information on our website – agreed
- NWBC/Parish Council representations on Planning Applications information
- Clerks and Councils Direct – May 2015 issue

840 Councillors Parish Matters Raised May 2015

The following matters will be raised with the relevant authorities:

- Tree cut down on bank on Coventry Road – Councillor B Moss
- Water Park traffic parking in Mill Crescent estate during weekends and bank holidays – Councillor M Moss
- Rumour that it is cards only to pay for parking in Water Park – Councillor M Moss
- Parking issues around the Kingsbury Primary School estate – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Pathway Sycamore Road to Chestnut Close dog stencils requested – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Sign at the bottom of Pit Hill has been uprooted – Councillor J Thomas
- Lamp post in Redwood light out (exact location to be supplied) – Councillor C Ayasamy

841 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 17th June at the Victory Hall, Bodymoor Heath.

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

It was proposed by Councillor A Lewis and seconded by Councillor I Thomas 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 - May	£806.97
Spacemaster – Bus Shelter repairs Mill Crescent (Minute March 796 / April 812)	£2130.00
Kingsbury WI (Minute April 818)	£50.00

<u>Bank Balances</u>	<u>31st May 2015</u>
Current A/c	£3,646.33
Business Reserve A/c	£42,681.33

Signed _____

Dated _____