

## **Kingsbury Parish Council Minutes**

Meeting of Kingsbury Parish Council held on **Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015**, at Jubilee Court Community Room, Kingsbury.

**Present: Councillors:** Chair J Thomas, B Moss, A Lewis, H Phillips, A Simpson, J Whitby, C Ayasamy, A Jenns, and J McNally

**Clerk:** S Humphries

**Apologies:** Councillors M Moss and I Thomas

**Members of the Public:** None

### **898 Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests**

- Councillors B Moss, H Phillips, A Lewis and A Jenns 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.
- Councillors J Thomas, A Lewis, H Phillips, A Jenns 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 and items relating to WCC as he is a County Councillor.
- Councillor J Thomas declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Bodymoor Heath Victory Hall Committee and Piccadilly Community Centre.
- Councillor A Jenns declared a personal interest in any minutes concerning Kingsbury Water Park.
- 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 as she is a committee member.

### **899 Public Questions**

None were raised.

### **900 Minutes to be Approved**

It was proposed by Cllr H Phillips and seconded by Cllr A Lewis and agreed:

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Council meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 are approved as a true record.**

### **901 HS2 (884)**

Additional provisions to the HS2 Bill have now been deposited in Parliament and a further petition has been submitted on the AP2. Select Committee procedure allows the Promoter, The Secretary of State for Transport, to object to a petition and this is known as a 'locus standi' challenge. We have had a formal objection to the petition and have to appear in front of the Select Committee on 16<sup>th</sup> November to discuss this. It was discussed and then proposed by Councillor B Moss and seconded by Councillor A Lewis and agreed by all:

**RESOLVED: that the rail fare and a reasonable amount for subsistence would be paid for any Councillor that is representing Kingsbury Parish Council at the hearing in London.**

HS2 are to hold a public meeting in the area in November for residents to discuss the project. See parish website for more details when they have been confirmed.

### **902 AEDS (886)**

The cabinet has been fitted to Piccadilly Community Centre. Cut backs at the ambulance service meant that the training on the unit had to be cancelled. We are now waiting for another date to be organised but have requested that the unit is delivered prior to this, so that it will be available if it is ever needed.

A new committee of Hurley Community Association has formed and they have agreed to have a unit/cabinet put on the village hall. This will be put on the agenda for the next meeting to agree the expenditure.

### **903 Plant a tree in each village for 1<sup>st</sup> World War memorial (888)**

The type of tree required for each village was discussed and these have now been decided on. The site for each tree needs agreeing and the Clerk will arrange to order the trees and liaise with North Warwickshire Borough Council to help with the planting.

The Clerk has enquired about types of plaque and has had some feedback that was shared with Councillors, but further information will be requested. Councillors have started to decide on what wording will be put on the plaques.

### **904 Kingsbury Parish Recreation Ground (885/889)**

The work to replace the rotting logs has now been completed.

The fence running alongside the tarmac road by the recreation ground is parish responsibility. Part of this seems to have been hit by a vehicle and some of the poles/posts are damaged. Councillors reported this has deteriorated and needs to be replaced. The Clerk was asked to obtain some quotes for a replacement fence.

### **905 Planning Applications**

There were no planning applications that required a response from the Council, but the following were discussed:-

- **PAP/2015/0566** – Land Rear of 21a to 33 Boulters Lane, Wood End. Outline application for 14 new dwellings with new access details provided. Concerns raised regarding the access but this is already being challenged.
- **PAP/2015/0604** – Planters Garden Centre. Approval of reserved matters for erection of building to cover existing outdoor sales area.

### **906 Councillors Parish Matters Raised June/July/August 2015 (892/893)**

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

- **Path on service road and by garages, Tamworth Road, Kingsbury needs attention** – we are awaiting a response from NWBC.
- **Parish Bus shelters need cleaning** – We have a contact for cleaning the bus shelters and more information will be provided and a quote obtained. It was decided that a good time to have them cleaned would be after the winter period and probably only once a year.
- **Bus Service cuts from Wood End to Hurley mean no direct bus route to doctors** – Arriva are aware of this and have now amended the service.
- **Cliff. Lamps out and bus timetables/cases missing.** – Lamps reported and timetables/cases will be requested. No 4 lamp has fault ticket raised and lamp now included in inventory for future maintenance. Defect issued to cut back vegetation around lamp 1.
- **NWBC quote to tend to Wood End Village Hall garden area** – A quote was received for a general detailed tidy up and prune at £444.00 and a cost for follow up maintenance visits. Councillor H Phillips asked if NWBC could also remove the upright sleepers at the same time. This was discussed and proposed by Councillor J Thomas and seconded by Councillor C Ayasamy and agreed by all:

**RESOLVED: That the general tidy up and prune be carried out at a cost of £444.00 and we would request further maintenance visits when required. A cost would be requested to remove the sleepers.**

### **906 Councillors Parish Matters Raised June/July/August 2015 (892/893) continued**

- **Height of trees rear of Rowan Close** – Reported to Persimmon homes as they own the site. Confirmation received of request but response awaited.
- **Overgrown bushes Tamworth end of Sycamore Road** – WCC have inspected and issued defect to cut back. This has been chased as an accident occurred in the area. The work was scheduled to be done but it will now be prioritised.
- **Overgrown weeds behind Jubilee Court shops** – Reported to NWBC
- **Trees in Peartree Avenue, Kingsbury both sides at Coventry Road end need drastic pruning as they are hiding road signs/lights** – Reported to WCC
- **Road surface pot holes Sycamore Road Tamworth End A51 junction** – Reported to WCC.
- **Fircroft deep grooves in centre of road Sycamore Road end** – Reported to WCC.
- **Path between Trinity Road and Elm Tree Close and fence on Trinity Road side in poor state of repair and overgrown with vegetation** – Fence reported to Network Rail. Community payback to attend and cut back vegetation and tidy area. Footway included in resurfacing programme.

### **907 Councillors Parish Matters Raised August/September 2015 (895)**

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

- **Back of Sports Hall and by numbers 1-5 Pear Tree there are tree roots and branches overhanging houses and breaking up tarmac** - CISWO own. Awaiting a response.
- **Piccadilly play area gate is not closing** – NWBC will have to order a new gate as the mechanisms are now worn out and beyond repair.
- **Can letter to be sent to DSV re a sign for Kingsbury Link** – A letter has been sent requesting a sign to help make it clearer that vehicles use the correct route when visiting DSV Kingsbury Link.
- **Brambles etc around/ inside bus stop by Water Park on Coventry Road** – A defect has been raised to clear these by WCC.
- **Pot hole by number 50-52 Wood Street** – Marked for repair by WCC.
- **Bus stop by post box Mill Crescent overgrown branches** – Reported to WCC.
- **No through road sign buried in residents tree and it is blocking the light on Cliff Hall Lane** – A new sign has been ordered to be attached to the existing speed signs at the junction. A request to cut the tree back has been sent to the resident also.
- **Cliff Hall Lane, electric pole buried in property foliage and light is out** – Reported to Western Power Distribution by WCC and a request made to the resident to cut back foliage.
- **Speed limit for Cliff Hall Lane needs reducing** – The criteria for setting local speed limits is set out in the Dept of Transport Circular 01/2013. Cliff Hall lane is 196.4 metres long and vehicles would struggle to achieve a high speed with the layout of the road, existing parking and its length. The cost implication to review this is around £6,000 and it may only get reduced to 40mph if successful, with any change not deterring a speeding motorist. There is not enough money in the County Councillor's budget for such expenditure.
- **Sycamore path to service road is in need of repair and area by garages** – Reported to NWBC Housing department and a reply is awaited.
- **Work off Tamworth Road, Kingsbury behind Hazelcroft is causing concern with times of lorry movements and state of slip road** – WCC will need to make a site visit and speak to the landowner. The large rut made by lorries at the entrance to the site has been filled in.

### **908 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):-

- **WCC Closure of Cliff Hall Lane.** This was postponed due to the weather forecast and now should go ahead on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015 for one day.

- WALC – Social Media Policy required. A suggested example was sent out and the Clerk will produce this for all Councillors to agree at the November meeting.
- Parish meeting dates for 2016. This was proposed by Councillor A Jenns and seconded by Councillor J McNally and agreed that the dates for next year are accepted with the two changes discussed. They will be put on the website.
- WCC Consultation re Warwickshire Minerals Plan (2017-2032). To view the documents the website page is: <http://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/mdf> An invite to work together on a response to this was received from Lea Marston Parish Council and this will be taken up as it will have an effect on traffic on the A4097 and surrounding area.
- NWBC - new address of Flat A and Flat B, 109 Tamworth Road, Kingsbury
- Warwickshire Rural Housing Association Annual report for 2014-2015
- WALC Annual Report 2014-2015
- NWBC – Development Management Plan for public consultation between 1<sup>st</sup> Oct and 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2015. [www.northwarks.gov.uk/planningconsultations](http://www.northwarks.gov.uk/planningconsultations)
- NWBC calling for further potential housing sites in the borough to be put forward by 12/11/15
- Sycamore Road weekend football traffic problems. Councillor A Jenns, Councillor J Thomas and the Clerk met with NWBC to discuss options for unlocking the gates. The Borough are looking into making it a condition of hiring the pitches that they have to lock and unlock the gates for next season.
- Alterations to 115 and 116 bus services are on-line. Councillor J Thomas is trying to get some paper copies for residents.

#### **909 Councillors Parish Matters Raised October 2015 (895)**

The following will be reported to the relevant authorities if necessary:

- Barlow Court could do with a street lamp near to Methodist Hall – Councillor C Ayasamy
- Tree branches hanging over road by bus stop, Piccadilly – Councillor J Thomas
- Drop kerb for Barlow Court – Councillor A Jenns. Councillor B Moss to follow up.

#### **910 Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at Wood End Village Hall, Wood End.

#### **911 Accounts for payment (where accounts include VAT this will be claimed back)**

It was proposed by Councillor A Lewis and seconded by Councillor H Phillips 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 – October	£850.11
WCC Felling of dead tree (Minute 870 June 2015)	£660.00
Piccadilly Community Centre Bonfire/Fireworks event (Minute 894 Sept 2015)	£600.00
Bodmoor Heath Victory Hall Skittles Evening (Minute 894 Sept 2015)	£100.00

#### **Bank Balances**

**31<sup>st</sup> October 2015**

Current A/c	£2,114.12
Business Reserve A/c	£40,454.28

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