

KEMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Kemerton Parish Council Meeting held via Zoom video conference on Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Cllrs C Barber, L Croft, C Kulukundis (Chairman), C Carver, A Darby and Cllr G Stacey

IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk).

1. Apologies For Absence.

None received.

2. Declaration Of Interests.

Councillors were reminded to update their registers of interest held by Wychavon and to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and their nature.

Cllr Darby takes no part in any decisions regarding planning as he sits on the planning committee at Wychavon.

3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 1st September 2020.

The minutes were approved and will be signed when appropriate.

4. Finance.

a) To agree the invoices to be paid via bacs.

The following invoice was approved for payment:-

RBL	Wreath	£20.00
A J Jones	Grass Cutting	£1,400.00
W CALC	Training	£30.00
S Harte	BHCG	£30.00

b) To ratify payments made between meetings.

S Dyer	Kemerton Sign	£54.00
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c) To receive the bank balance to date.

Bank balance was presented to the council.

The following remittance was received

WCC	Lengthsman	£150.00
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d) To consider the purchase of shelving for books in bus shelter.

Action. Cllr Carver will ask locally if anyone has any wood or brackets to donate.

5. To Consider An Application to the PWLB for Renovations for the Victoria Hall.

(After further discussion, via E mail, the council agreed the following and the draft minutes were altered accordingly.)

The village hall refurbishment costs, due to reasons beyond its control, have risen, the fund has a short fall of £30,000.00. Having achieved so much it would be negligent of the council to see this project fail. The parish council agreed unanimously, Cllr's Kulukundis and Barber did not vote as they are on the committee, to give a further grant of £5,000.00. The hall committee are applying for a ACRE loan of £15,000.00.

The council therefore RESOLVED to seek the approval of the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities & Local Government to apply for a PWLB loan of £15,000.00 over the borrowing term of 20 years for a grant to the Victoria Hall towards the cost of refurbishment. The annual loan repayment will come to around £956.00.

This amount is less than the annual grant given to the hall in previous years.

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6. Planning.

- a) To Consider Planning Applications received to date.
None received.
- b) To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting.
 - i. 20/01141/FUL Boundary Cottage High Street Kemerton, Revised plan. The council had no planning reasons to object.
 - ii. 20/01833/HP The Old Bakehouse High Street Kemerton Tewkesbury. The council had no planning reasons to object.
- c) To Report Wychavon Planning Decisions.
Approved by Wychavon
 - i. 20/01070/FUL - Ashbury Farm Wing Lane Kemerton
 - ii. 0/01141/FUL Boundary Cottage High Street Kemerton Tewkesbury.
- d) To ratify responses to Government Planning Consultations.
The council ratified the comments sent between meetings to Planning for the Future White Paper Consultation.
Changes to the Current Planning System Consultation
- e) 20/00896/FUL Land To The North East Of Hardwick Bank Road Northway. New road and bridge.
The council agreed the circulated comments to be sent to TBC on the 4th November.

7. To Receive a Report from the County Councillor Mr A Hardman.

No report received.

8. To Receive a Report from District Councillor Mr A Darby.

Report received and circulated.

District Councillor's Report to Kemerton Parish Council 3 November 2020

I have been carrying on my activities over the internet and all the meetings I refer to have taken place by way of ZOOM. There have been a couple of Council Meetings but the great majority have been concerned in one way or another with planning.

There have been two training sessions for the full councils of Wychavon and Malvern Hills meeting together to bring all councillors up to date with planning law.

There have also been two meetings of the Joint Advisory Panel (JAP) overseeing the revision of the South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDPR) which looked at various tidying up points in the SWDPR such as further analysis of the strategic sites and updating the risk register. However they were principally concerned with the three councils' joint response to the two government consultations which the parish council has also responded to. These responses were forwarded to parish councils although not long before PCs had to produce their own comments. As you know I produced draft suggestions for the PCs in my ward.

There have been two planning meetings each of which had a Kemerton application. I had asked for them to be taken to committee so that the PC would be able to voice its objection. The Boundary Cottage application was modified to allow for more landscaping on its western side which partially met the PC's concern and there was no further objection. Both this application and that at Ashbury Farm were approved

I will be recommending you to object to the Ashchurch Railway Bridge.

9. Progress Reports for Information.

- a) Clerk.
Dead wood in a May tree at the Junction of Castle and Hill Road had been reported to Highways, ref no 937815. Highways response. *Thank you for your enquiry we have inspected the site and there is no safety issue but will be continued to be monitored*
- b) Burial Space.

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Ongoing.

c) Crab Apple Tree.

Action Cllr Barber will get a quote for a new tree, to be E mailed to all Cllrs.

d) Footway near the Memorial.

The footway is the responsibility of Highways, the council urges all parishioners to report this to Highways.

e) Review of grass cutting 2020.

The council is pleased with the operation of the contractor and would like to thank Mr Jones and his team.

10. Correspondence.

- The council had received a complaint regarding the erection of a marquee, concrete blocks and planters outside the Crown.

As this is not in the remit of the parish council, the clerk notified the appropriate authorities.

The council acknowledged that the Crown is an asset of community value, as listed by Wychavon D.C. on 16/11/2017 and the Council were unanimous in strongly wishing for the pub to continue trading, providing the necessary permissions and Covid 19 regulations are adhered to.

- The regulation of pheasant shooting is not within the remit of the parish council.
- Cllr Carver will attend Worcestershire CALC AGM November 30th 2020 on behalf of the council.

11. Items for Future Agenda and Councillor Reports.

The Precept for 2021/2022

12. Date Of Next Meeting.

Tuesday 5th January 2021.