

## KEMERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of Kemerton Parish Council Meeting held at the Victoria Hall on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT Cllrs C Kulukundis, A Darby, R Davies (Chairman), Sir D Logan, S Papacostantinou and J Van den Broek.

IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk), Mr A Williams and a parishioner.

### 1. Apologies For Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's C Carver and Cllr A Hardman (County).

### 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.

### 3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

The minutes having been previously circulated were agreed and signed as a true record.

### 4. To Discuss the Grass Cutting Contract for April 2016 to March 2017.

The council agreed for Cllrs Kulukundis and Carver to agree the cutting terms with Mr Jones, according to the draft paperwork provided at the meeting and to agree a price to include Peppercorn Lane, as suggested at the meeting. The final contract will be circulated to all councillors to approve via E mail to be ratified at the next meeting. Mr Jones will be provided with a copy of the contract and a map.

### 5. Finance

a) To agree the invoices to be paid.

The following invoices were agreed for payment: M Farey Lengthsman January and February £360.00, Wychavon New Bins £2,475.19, WCC £46.20, W CALC Training £30.00, D Sargent Repair to War memorial £1,260.00, Clerks expenses £89.97 and A Jones Grass £1,112.50.

b) To receive the bank balance to date.

Lengthsman Oct 143.75, Nov £143.75, Wychavon NHB £2,062.66

Balance was presented to the council, the clerk to E mail an update, to include all payments and accruals for the financial year.

### 6. Planning.

a) To Consider Planning Applications received to date.

b) To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting.

c) To Consider Planning Applications Submitted since the Publishing of the Agenda. W/16/00379 Overbury Stud, Crashmore Lane, Overbury, Tewkesbury. Erection of an automated horse walker next to the existing broodmare barn at Overbury Stud. The walker is circular and sits on a concrete base. There is a roof over. No objection.

d) To Report Wychavon Planning Decisions.

Approved by Wychavon.

W/15/03112/PP – Ryeclose, Back Lane, Kemerton.

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Withdrawn by applicant.

15/01723/CU – Woollas Farm, Woollas Hill, Eckington.

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

Not submitted.

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

- a) At last the South Worcestershire Development Plan has been adopted by all three South Worcestershire Councils. It is now in force, although it is still open to challenge in the High Court for a period of six weeks from last Wednesday.
- b) Wychavon approved its Council Tax for next year with a rise of £4.99 at band D which was the maximum that the government would allow without the need for a referendum.
- c) The appeal by Robert Hitchins into the deemed refusal for 550 houses on Aston Fields Lane starts on next Tuesday and I and Councillor Hardman both intend to go and speak.
- d) The last stages of the examination in public of the Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy takes place at the end of the month. I intend to go to make a representation about biodiversity.

### **9. To Discuss 'Clean for the Queen 2016.'**

The council will not be organising a litter pick or an organised celebration for the Queens Birthday. However they will be mentioned by Councillor Darby at the Annual Parish Meeting.

In addition Cllr Papacostantinou would contact the WI to determine if they were organising an event and if so the Council may give a contribution towards the costs. Amount to be determined".

### **10. Progress Reports for Information.**

- a) Clerk.  
Report circulated.  
Wing Lane had been jetted.  
The ditch by 'Dunromin' has been reported to the District Council, unfortunately due to illness, this department at Wychavon is a 'bit behind'.
- b) Traffic Calming.  
Clerk to contact Highways as to progress.
- c) Overhead Electric cables.  
Clerk to contact N Power.
- d) Flood Meeting.  
Cllr's Kulukundis and Darby had met with Marian Roberts and Mark Morris (WCC) regarding the footway by the village Hall, which is to be widened.  
Various works are being carried out in the parish.
- e) Assets for Community Value.  
On going.

### **11. Correspondence For Information. (Listed on the Clerk's Report.)**

Clerk to investigate Cotswold AONB grants.

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### 12. Items for Future Agenda And Councillor Reports.

- Newsletter.  
Cllr Kulukundis presented a draft newsletter to be delivered, by councillors, to all 290 houses in the parish. The draft was agreed, a quote will be obtained by Cllr Kulukundis for the printing, to be circulated and agreed via E mail. Hopefully a parish council newsletter will be prepared twice a year.  
The council thanked Cllr Kulukundis.
- Bus shelter.  
All members believed the unsocial behaviour associated with the bus shelter had ceased. However, the clerk stated this is not the case. It was suggested that a solar powered light, triggered by movement, be installed. Cllr Kulukundis volunteered to investigate the cost of such a light. Cllr Papacostantinou to advise the Crown of the current situation
- VAS.  
The council would like to reinstate the VAS at the Bredon end of the village, clerk to inform Mark Farey. Mr Williams a new resident to the parish offered to provide a solar powered battery for the VAS.

### 13. Date Of Next Meeting.

Annual Parish meeting Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016– Cllr Darby to chair.

Cllr Logan gave his apologies.

Annual Parish Council Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2016 – Cllr J Van den Broek to chair.