#### **KEMERTON PARISH COUNCIL**

The minutes of Kemerton Parish Councils Meeting held at the Victoria Hall on Tuesday 4th September 2018 at 7.00pm.

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

IN ATTENDANCE Ms J Shields (Clerk).

### 1. Apologies For Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's C Kulukundis and S Papacostantinou.

### 2. Declaration Of Interests.

- a) 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.
- b) Cllr Darby takes no part in any discussions or decisions regarding planning applications.
- c) Cllr Darby declared a DPI in item 5, as the quote had been provided by Kemerton Estates.

Cllr Carver declared an ODI in item 7aiii, as a neighbour.

### 3. To Consider The Adoption Of The Minutes Of The Meeting Held On The 3rd July 2018.

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

### 4. To Review The Councils

a) Financial Regulations.

The regulations had been circulated and where agreed.

- b) Risk Assessment.
- The council agreed the Risk Assessment.
- c) Councils Policies with the changes implemented in GDPR.
- Ongoing.

### 5. To Consider Part Funding Of The Squitter Brook Clearance Programme.

Cllr Darby left the room.

No further quotes have been received, Cllr Van den Broek proposed, Cllr Caver seconded and it was agreed to accept the quote of £1,280.00 plus Vat, from Peter Doble to carry out the work at the Squitter Brook, to alleviate excess water and mud.

Action Clerk to contact Mr Doble, Cllr Logan would like to discuss further with Mr Doble before work commences.

### 6. Finance.

a) To agree the invoices to be paid. The following invoices were agreed for payment: Mark Farey Bus Shelter Cleaning, less over payment £45.00 A Jones Clearing as instructed £120.00 Grass cutting for April – Sept 2018 £1,300.00 Wychavon Kinsham Lane Dog Bin £89.10 b) To receive the bank balance to date. Remittance received

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Rooftop Grass cutting		£195.00
Lloyds	Refund for phone calls and petrol	£98.00
Lloyds	Compensation	£200.00

Clerk to forward up to date accounts to all councillors.

c) Change of bank Account.

The new Lloyds account was up and running and a letter of apology and compensation had been received.

Santandar needed further proof to close the account which was provided by the Clerk and Cllr Davies.

### 7. Planning.

- a) To Consider Planning Applications received to date.
  - i. 18/01709/LB The Old Bakehouse High Street Kemerton Tewkesbury. No planning reason to object.
  - ii. 18/01708/HP The Old Bakehouse High Street Kemerton Tewkesbury. No planning reason to object.
  - iii. 18/01436/HP The Wings Wing Lane Kemerton Kemerton. Cllr Carver took no part in the discussion or decision. The council has concerns regarding retaining the wall and the size of the access.
  - iv. 18/01720/HP Bamford Cottage High Street Kemerton Tewkesbury GL20 7H No planning reason to object.
- b) To Ratify The Comments For Applications and Appeals Submitted Since The Last Meeting.
  - i. 18/01540/HP Southfield Castle Hill Kemerton Tewkesbury GL20 7JP. The council's response can be found on the Wychavon Website.
  - ii. 18/04358/STRETR. The council is concerned on the impact to the village shop.
- c) To Report Wychavon Planning Decisions. None received.

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

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

Members of the PC have been circulated by the Clerk with requests for responses to various surveys which lead up to the preparation of the South Worcestershire Development Plan Review. I have already circulated a suggested response to the Village Facilities and Rural Transport Survey which the Clerk has forwarded to meet the deadline. I suggest we look at this at the meeting and amend it accordingly.

I also suggest that we respond to the Open Space Assessment (including Community Buildings) - Town/Parish Council Survey and to the Development Boundary Review -Proposed Methodology Consultation. The deadline for these is the 5th October and the 8th October, so we still have a little time.

I have had a preliminary look at both of them. I think the first is fairly straightforward but I have some doubts about the second. In particular I am concerned about the proposal to extend development boundaries where there are small enclosed parcels of land less than .18 ha on the edge of the village. Although this provision is hedged around with various caveats which would apply to Kemerton (in particular the AONB), I am concerned that it would result in a lot of garden grabbing on the edge of villages. In the past many villages have grown with houses and large gardens being built on their edges. This provides a happy transition between the built up settlement and the open countryside beyond.

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If we had a neighbourhood plan this would have defined the settlement boundary and would have protected us against any unwanted extension. Sadly I think it is now too late to get a neighbourhood plan in place before the SWDP Review. However it is not too late to get our conservation area review carried out before then and I would urge the parish council to keep up the momentum on this.

Application for approximately 500 dwellings at Bredons Hardwick

Application Number 18/00771/OUT

This is presently held up by a holding objection from Highways England and there is nothing further to report

## 10. Progress Reports for Information.

a) Clerk.

Drainage of the ditch in Castle hill opposite Merecombe Bank, Highways are looking into this although it is a Wychavon issue.

The black and white sign has been repaired.

Contacted WCC for an order number, to ask for grass cutting contribution.

b) Conservation Area.

A meeting of the group is to take place at the end of September.

c) Churchyard.

No update.

d) Speed Gun.

Not a parish council issue.

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

- Open Space Assessment (including Community Buildings) Town/Parish Council Survey and to the Development Boundary Review Proposed Methodology Consultation. Council to respond.
- South Worcestershire Development Plan Review Village Facilities and Rural Transport Survey Response sent.

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

Grass cutting contract. Draft budget.

### 13. Date Of Next Meeting.

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Cllr Van den Broek and Sir D Logan gave their apologies.

The meeting closed at 8.25 pm