

DRAFT MINUTES
MEETING OF KINGTON & DORMSTON PARISH COUNCIL
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Held in Kington & Dormston Village Hall
Monday 8th July 2024 at 7:30pm

Present:

Cllr P. Collins (Chair)	Cllr S. Richins
Cllr R. Drake	Cllr T. Richards
Cllr I. Bull	Cllr E. Faizey
Cllr V. Longmore	District Cllr N. Dawkes
County Cllr L. Robinson	

In Attendance: Clerk and No members of the public were in attendance.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – None

1. **APOLOGIES-** None
2. **CO-OPTION-** Cllrs had been circulated the co-option application from Adam Chapman, Cllr Collins proposed to co-opt Adam as Parish Councillor and this was seconded by Cllr Richards with all in favour. Clerk to contact Adam with acceptance of office and declaration of Interest forms
3. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST-** None declared
4. **GRANTS FOR DISPENSATION-** None received.
5. **MINUTES-** The minutes from the meeting held on 13th May 2024 were approved and true and correct as proposed by Cllr Collins and seconded by Cllr Drake. These were signed by the Chairman.
6. **PROGRESS REPORTS:**
 - a) **District Councillors Report- Nick Dawkes-**
No report
 - b) **County Councillors Report-Linda Robinson**

Not much to report this month as we have been in Purdah due to last week's General election so many meetings have been cancelled or postponed.

County Hall

WCC bosses have released a statement confirming County Hall remains closed after legionella, the bacteria that causes legionnaires' disease, was found in the water.

County Hall, where Worcestershire County Council is based and RAAC has also been discovered was closed last week after the bacteria was found. County Hall is also where births, marriages and deaths are registered.

Entry into the building was strictly controlled as council bosses say the closure was enforced as a precautionary measure.

Paul Robinson, chief executive of Worcestershire County Council, said: "County Hall Offices which includes the Lakeview Café are closed today until further notice as sampling has returned a detection of legionella in parts of the water system.

"As a precautionary measure, I had instructed staff to work from home or from an alternative venue, while further investigations take place." Latest news is that many will relocate to the Countryside Centre , Pershore Civic Centre and the Hive for at least three months.

COVID.

Face mask rules have been reintroduced at Worcestershire acute hospitals after a rise in the number of patients developing Covid-19. The trust said it was currently treating 69 patients with Covid 19 the highest number since December 2023. The policy applies to staff, patients and visitors visiting and covers all clinical areas at Redditch's Alexandra, Kidderminster and the Worcestershire Royal hospitals. Staffordshire has 101 infected patients. The measure has been applied with immediate effect and will stay in place until further notice. It is thought this could be a new variant so it is a sensible precaution to protect vulnerable patients in hospital.

School Transport.

The deadline to apply for school and college transport for the 24/25 school year is 31st July 2024.

Applications may not be assessed before the start of the new school year if they are received after this date. Visit our website to find out more and check eligibility www.worcestershire.gov.uk/SchoolTransportApplication

Potholes- County Highways say they have a duty to maintain adopted roads across Worcestershire but can only fill in potholes if they know about them <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk.../tell-us.../report> Or call them on 01905 845676

7. HIGHWAYS

Cllr Collins shared that he had attended a meeting with The Flyford's Parish Council and other local parishes regarding the safety of the A422 with an aim of getting some follow up from John Champion the Police and Crime Commissioner for West Mercia. One point raised was that The Flyford's Parish Council were compiling their own safety report and recommendations for the A422 using an ex Highways consultant.

County Cllr Robinson suggested an appeal to Highways for 'sharks teeth' road markings upon entering the village to help slow speeding cars. If these were to be requested possible locations would be between the garage and Inkberrow Lane and then a set From Inkberrow by the white gates entering the village.

Cllr Collins first proposed the Clerk write to Marc Baylis the Cabinet member for Highways with a request for reducing the speed limit on the A422 upon approaching the village from 50 mph to 30mph. All Cllrs agreed and Clerk to action.

Cllr Longmore chased a follow up on the poor road condition of Dormston Lane which was reported by herself and a parishioner- Clerk to follow up.

Cllr Collins to make contact with Mill House Care Home regarding consent for the roadside sign which is affecting some drivers sightline on the road.

8. LENGTHSMAN

Cllr Collins asked the Clerk to pass a job to lengthsmen to straighten the Dormston Lane sign- Clerk to action.

9. PLANNING

No new planning applications to consider.

10. FINANCE –

a) The following payments were approved by all Cllrs:

Tamzin Richards	Donation to leaving gift	£100.00	Cheque 000594
Lisa Cope	Salary	£550.40	Cheque 000595
HMRC	Lisa Cope Tax	£137.60	Cheque 000596
Lisa Cope	Expenses	£56.54	Cheque 000597
Paul Brewer	Lengthsman May	£121.55	Cheque 000598
Paul Brewer	Lengthsman June	£131.25	Cheque 000659

- b) The bank balance as of 21st June 2024 was £7,293.14 and £6,709.22 in savings account.
 c) The Internet banking forms for the Clerk were signed by Cllrs Drake and Longmore, they are to co-sign each other's form and post to the Clerk for signature.

11. BINS

The Clerk confirmed via Wychavon that the litter bins would be emptied weekly when installed. Following the May meeting Cllr Collins proposed that two new bins were ordered for Dormston, with all Cllrs in agreement. Clerk to check locations with Cllr Richards and order.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

None to discuss.

13. COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Cllrs requested the report on potential locations for speed van parking on the A422 collated by the Parish Council be forwarded again to Cllr Robinson and John Campion for consideration. Clerk to action.

Cllr Collins requested trees be an agenda item for the September meeting.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – The next meeting was agreed for Monday 9th September 2024 starting at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Signed Chairman.....

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