

DRAFT MINUTES
MEETING OF KINGTON & DORMSTON PARISH COUNCIL
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Held in Kington & Dormston Village Hall
Monday 11th November 2024 at 7:30pm

Present: Cllr P. Collins (Chair) Cllr S. Richins
 Cllr T. Richards Cllr E. Faizey
 Cllr I. Bull Cllr R. Drake
 Cllr V. Longmore

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

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – No public in attendance

1. **APOLOGIES-** Cllr A Chapman, DCC Dawkes and WCC Robinson sent their apologies
2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST-** Cllr Collins declared an interest when discussing item 6(a)
3. **GRANTS FOR DISPENSATION-** None received.
4. **MINUTES-** The minutes from the meeting held on 9th September 2024 were approved and true and correct as proposed by Cllr Collins and seconded by Cllr Bull. These were signed by the Chairman.
5. **PROGRESS REPORTS:**
 - a) **District Councillors Report- Nick Dawkes-**No report
 - b) **County Councillors Report-Linda Robinson**

NHS Covid & Flu vaccine has started to protect against a Winter Tripledemic

Eligible groups for the flu vaccine include pregnant women, children aged two or three years old, primary and secondary school children, and those aged 65 and over. Autumn Covid vaccine is available to care home residents, adults over 65 and front-line health and social care workers.

The flu vaccine can also be booked at pharmacies, and there are walk-in sites for the Covid-19 vaccine.

The NHS has already invited more than 11 million people to come forward for vaccination. GP practices and other NHS services will also be contacting people to offer both vaccines. However, eligible individuals do not have to wait for an invitation to book. Vaccinations will take place at GP surgeries, pharmacies, and pop-up clinics in the community. Last year, the NHS vaccinated more than 3.3 million people in the Midlands with the flu vaccine and more than 2.2 million people with the Covid vaccine.

Roz Lindridge, Midlands NHS England director responsible for vaccinations, said: "With new figures showing thousands of deaths associated with Covid and flu in recent years, it is clear the threat of winter viruses is all too real and it is vital that anyone eligible takes up the offer to get vaccinated.

"There are many slots available with GP practices, pharmacies, and other NHS teams offering quick and easy appointments, so please do look at the NHS App, NHS websites, or call 119 to book your appointment."It could keep you out of hospital this winter."

County Planning:

I have attached this flyer to give a flavour as to what applications County and its Planning Committee of which I am vice Chairman consider. As you can see it is quite different and generally more strategic than the applications that are dealt with at our District Council in Wychavon.

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Bin lorries helping find mobile black spots in Worcestershire

MOBILE signal trackers are being fitted in bin lorries to help find Worcestershire’s mobile black spots.

Residents and businesses are also being asked to play their part by letting the council know when and where they experience poor connectivity.

Equipment being placed in bin lorries will measure mobile signals across the county over the next few weeks will allow Worcestershire County Council and network mapping company Streetwave to collect detailed street-level data. This will then be used to lobby the government, network operators and telecoms watchdog Ofcom to improve connectivity in the county.

6. HIGHWAYS

a)The Clerk shared the proposed location from Highways for the additional VAS Pole to be located however Cllrs agreed it isn’t quite where it could make the most impact and there was concern it would be on a public footpath- Clerk to contact highways for a site meeting.

The Clerk shared that Cllr Robinson would not be able to get a 20mph speed limit for Kington as WCC were not introducing any in the County at present but 30mph painted roundels can be added to the road.

Cllr Richins shared that some Kington residents were disappointed in the lack of a 20mph speed limit to be implemented and understands that there a petition for a 20mph speed limit to be introduced in Inkberrow from residents which he is keen to understand the outcome of and will ask Cllr Dawkes to keep the Parish Council updated.

Cllr Longmore enquired as to when the remedial works will be completed on Dormston Lane- Clerk to chase.

Cllr Richins updated the patching work has been completed on Dormston Lane but there is still an issue with cars grinding out and the area from the Church to the Grange entrance still requires completing- Clerk to chase.

Cllr Drake reported the gates into the village from Flyford Flavell have graffiti on- Clerk to report to WCC

7. LENGTHSMAN

Cllr Longmore asked if the Lengthsman could check the area from outside the Care Home to the junction as water is pooling there after heavy rain and the drains may need clearing- Clerk to action. Otherwise all working well.

8. PLANNING

Cllrs discussed the following planning consultation and would like to comment that there is mention of a two bay carport with log store which is not shown in any of the drawings. Councillors agreed that they have no issue with the application proposal as represented by the drawings but request confirmation that the application does not include a separate carport/log store.

W/24/01631/HP	Brockington Cottage Kington Lane Kington Worcester WR7 4DH	Proposed two storey and single storey extensions together with removal of front lean-to, replacement windows and works to existing roof	Pending Decision
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The following application was considered with no objections:

W/24/02012/FUL	The Nathan Evesham Road Inkberrow Worcester WR7 4LN	Proposed steel framed building for the storage, repair and maintenance of vehicles and parts (use classes B2 and B8) in connection with existing business for sale and hire of HGVs (Sui Generis) - Retrospective	Pending Decision
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9. FINANCE –

a) The following payments were approved by all Cllrs:

Lisa Cope	Salary	£576.00	BACS
HMRC	Lisa Cope Tax	£144.00	
Lisa Cope	Expenses	£73.63	
Lisa Cope	Pay award	£109.20	
Paul Brewer	Lengthsman September	£166.25	
Paul Brewer	Lengthsman October	£105.00	

- b) The bank balance as of 21st October 2024 was £9,509.89 and £6,709.22 in the savings account.
- c) Additional costs to be considered for the 2025/26 budget include the electricity costs for the Village Hall at the January meeting
- d) Cllr Longmore confirmed that she is now registered for online banking, Cllr Collins and Drake also have submitted requests but may require another councillor for online approval- Clerk to check.

10. TREES

Regarding the five trees that require replacing Limebridge have agreed to replace the one which died naturally free of charge. Councillors agreed to replace the other four in Dormston for £95.00 per tree- Clerk to order.

11. TELEPHONE BOX

Cllrs considered taking ownership of the blue telephone box in the village but were undecided and considered whether the village should be consulted on what they would like. First step is to ask the Police as they currently own it- will they maintain it and make it safe- Clerk to action.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk shared a letter from Lloyds Bank stating that the Parish Council accounts were being changed to a Community Account with a charge of £4.25 per month.

13. COUNCILLORS REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Councillors discussed if anyone was able to attend the village Neighbourhood Watch meeting with the Police organised for 13th November at 7pm and Cllr Drake agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council

Cllr Drake requested the Clerk check the warranty on the noticeboard as the paintwork was already peeling- Clerk to check.

Cllr Collins asked the Clerk to speak with Cllr Robinson on any funding for an additional VAS sign, otherwise this will need to be considered in the 2025/26 budget

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – The next meeting was agreed for Monday 13th January 2025 starting at 7:30pm in the Village Hall

Signed Chairman.....

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