KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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To all Parish Councillors

Members are reminded that the council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety, and Human Rights.

Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting of Tuesday 15th March 2022

Present:

Mark Strange (Chair) Stephen Andrews (CDC) Melanie Giles (Parishioner)

Tony Williams Steve Trotter (CDC)
Christine Nugent Teresa Griffin (Clerk)

- 1. **Apologies:** Dom Morris, Phil Nickson, Karen Saunders and John O'Connell.
- 2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 15th February 2022 were approved.
- 3. **Disclosure of member's interests**: None
- 4. **Dispensation requests:** None
- 5. **Matters Arising:** None.
- 6. Questions from members of the public: Melanie Giles raised concerns about the volume of aggregate lorries, speed of vehicles travelling around the Reevey bend and the condition of the C124. Mark Strange provided an update on the lack of an active Community Speedwatch Group, the recent traffic surveys that have been carried out and other discussions/initiatives the Parish Council is involved in. He also pointed out that since the installation of a permanent vehicle activated sign at Reevey there has been no reported accidents. Melanie advised that despite the sign and previous road improvements she still feels very unsafe crossing the road, and the locations has recently been added a bus stop for 2 schools collecting children. If the children were asked to walk to another location this would involve them walking alongside the busy road and the backdraft from lorries is very dangerous. Discussions on what could be done to address the problem included
 - Forwarding evidence from the recent traffic surveys to the Road Safety Partnership to request more mobile speed camera van visits.
 - The Parish Council to request more 30mph repeater signs to be erected between Mount Pleasant and Reevey.
 - Resident's writing to Gloucestershire and Wiltshire Highway Departments, County Councillors and the MP.
 - Resident's responding to new quarry planning applications Blackburr Farm Quarry current under consultation.
 - Attending the Annual Parish Meeting and raising concerns when County and other representatives are present.
- 7. **County Councillor's Report:** Dom Morris an update from the County Council by email prior to the meeting.
- 8. **District Councillors Report: -**

Stephen Andrews reported on -

- The Council Meeting of 16th February information has now been received on the Heating of historic homes and this will be passed on shortly.
- Agenda items for Council Meeting on 16th March. This includes the Parliamentary Boundary Proposals which would see a change of name to South Cotswolds and North Wiltshire.
 - A Members Question regarding the Bromford Housing in Kempsford was submitted and this, together with the response, was circulated to you all earlier.
- The Cabinet Meeting of 7th March. The Glover Review of Protected Landscapes was included and the current CDC administration are strongly against National Parks status.
- Constituency Boundary Review Secondary Consultation
- Cotswold District Local Plan Review Consultation there is still a few days to run and I am interested in hearing any experiences of responding to this consultancy approach online as it is likely to be used again.
- Cotswold Water Park Nature Recovery Plan At the moment it is unlikely to carry much weight in terms of discussion with developers.
- Footpaths
- Planning there are still a few outstanding planning enforcements.
- Forthcoming Meetings The Overview & Scrutiny Meeting on the 26th April will look at the Leisure Services
 Provision Contract going forward.

Steve Trotter report -

• Sustrans have come back with the second part of the report for the multi-user path proposal which will be

circulated shortly. This includes confirmation of the alignment, stakeholder engagement, traffic surveys at key points, landowner communication etc. The cost is £18,000 and six months work for them. Tony Williams expressed some reluctance for Kempsford Parish Council to contribute towards the cost until there is more accessibility from footpaths within the Parish.

9. Kempsford Parish Council

- Advertisement for Parish Councillor Vacancy It was agreed to advertise the vacancy on our website and the Kempsford Village Facebook page by the end of this week, and in the April edition of the Parish Newsletter. The application closing date will be Friday 15th April and a decision will be made at the next Parish Council meeting on the 19th April.
- Community Emergency Plan review The Gloucestershire Local Resilience Forum (LRF) multi-agency partners have developed a new simple Community Emergency Plan template. It was agreed that there is no advantage in changing to the new template. Contacts and volunteer information to be update by the Clerk.
- **Grass Cutting Contract** The existing contractors have provided an updated quotation for the forthcoming year and have been asked to clarify a couple of points before it can be agreed.

Update from meetings attended –

- Kempsford Village Hall the meeting was cancelled due to illness.
- Aggregate Industries Quarry Liaison Meeting AI will be meeting with the Environment Agency to discuss their objection to the application to remove the agreed high-permeability pathways.
- Meeting with Local Highways Manager John, Phil and Tony took Daniel Tiffney around the Parish to
 point out various issues. No changes to the road layout at the Top Road/Dunfield junction will happen
 due to cost, but improved signage and road markings will be done. He is going to obtain a cost for
 filling some of the large holes along Washpool Lane and clearing the grips, which can be presented to
 the Quarry.
- Lake 103 & 104 Meeting Tony and the Clerk attended the meeting earlier today. The owners of the Water-ski Lake attended and appeared supportive of the footpath/bridleway proposals. The developers will be submitting a couple of pre-apps shortly.

Resident's reports to Councillors –

- Mark Strange had been contacted by a resident concerning trees overhanging their garden. They will
 cut these back, being mindful of bird nesting.
- Christine reported that several residents had raised concern over tree roots growing through the pavement between Lancaster Road and Tuckwell Rod. They will be advised to report it to Highways.

10. Planning & Licensing -

Ref.	Location	Proposal	Decision
22/00675/FUL	Land South West of	Full application for erection of detached	No comment
	Wayside, Totterdown	dwelling & garage together with ancillary	
	Lane, Fairford	development	
22/00702/FUL	18 John Of Gaunt	Full application for proposed first floor rear	No comment
	Road, Kempsford	extension & second floor dormer window	
Wiltshire CC	Blackburr Farm,	Extraction & processing of mineral and	Draft comments being
PL/2022/00193	Marston Meysey	restoration using indigenous imported inert	prepared
		materials to agriculture with biodiversity	
		enhancement	
CDC	Local Plan Partial	Regulation 18 'Issues & Options' Consultation	Reply by email stating
	Update		that due to the
			complicated/time
			consuming approach it
			has not been possible
			to respond.

11. Finance

1. The following bills were approved to be paid:-

002228	CPRE (membership renewal)	£36.00
002229	Whelford Village Hall Trust (hall rental)	£100.00
002230	AJ Williams (gift Cllr. Stokes)	£24.99
002231	CDC (Newsletter printing March)	£85.68
002232	Cotswold Tree Care (Chapel Close tree)	£605.00 inc. VAT
002233	GAPTC (annual membership)	£275.32
002234	John O'Conner (grass Feb)	£114.00 inc. VAT

002235	T Griffin (wages & use of home)	£602.69
002236	HMRC (PAYE)	£92.40
Receipts since	last meeting: Bank Interest	£0.45

- 2. The Finance Report was agreed and approved.
- 3. Following the recent announcement of new rates of pay from 1 April 2021 from NALC, the Chair has written to the Clerk confirming these, and that an adjustment for hours worked since 1 April 2021 has been included in the March salary payment.
- 12. **Clerks Report –** The Independent Auditor has been in touch and it is proposed to carry out the audit in May.
- 13. Correspondence –

All correspondence received via email has been circulated.

14. **Date of next meeting** – Tuesday 19th April 2022.

Meeting ended at 9.30pm

<u>Copies</u>:- Mrs Nugent, Mr Stokes, Mrs Saunders, Mr Williams, Mr Nickson, Mr Strange, Mr O'Connell, CD.Cllrs, C.Cllrs.