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 20th October 2020 Meeting held remotely using video and telephone software.

Present:

Tony Williams (Chair) Jerry Stokes Karen Saunders Teresa Griffin (Clerk)

Mark Strange Christine Nugent Stephen Andrews (CDC)

1. **Apologies:** Ray Theodoulou, Phil Nickson & Alison Ward.

2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15th September 2020 were approved. The Chairman to sign hard copy when delivered.

3. **Disclosure of member's interests**: None

4. **Dispensation requests:** None

5. **Matters Arising:** None.

6. **Questions from members of the public:** None

7. **County Councillor's Report:** Not present.

8. **District Councillors Report: -**Stephen Andrews reported –

- A District Councillor's Newsletter was emailed to the Clerk today. This is something new and aimed at covering the main points that have occurred over the last month, including –
 - Planning for the future
 - A417 missing link
 - Grants to the Barn Theatre and Corinium Museum
 - The devolution white paper
 - Climate change emergency and Green Business Emergency Plan
- The main thing that is coming up is the support to the Leisure Centres through Sports Leisure Management (SLM) Ltd. They were given a means of getting money through Council to underwrite their expenditure to a certain point and limit, without necessarily being able to get it back. It is now proposed that we will profit share on any recovery going forward. Tomorrow, at full council meeting we will be asked to approve more money to SLM Ltd.
- There is an investigation going on in to the closure of Fairford Leisure Centre, and what lessons can be learnt from that, which is being led by Overview and Scrutiny.
- With regards to Covid 19, the numbers in Gloucestershire are not going the right way and there is uncertainty as to what this means for us being on the border.

9. Kempsford Parish Council

- Parish Grant applications Only one grant application, from the Brownies, has been received to date. Their application form and details of previous grants were circulated to councillors. Councillors were reminded that grants payable under Section 137 expenditure is limited to the government set limit per electorate, currently £8.32. With 1093 electorates in February 2020a maximum total of less than £9,093 would be permitted. Council approved a grant of £250 to the Brownies and a donation to the Royal British Legion of £100. An annual donation is normally made to the Citizen's Advice Bureau and it was agreed to delay a decision on the amount until the November meeting.
- Updates from meetings attended
 - Mark Strange reported on the Weymouth Trust meeting. The school is coping really well and used the lockdown period to bank a good amount of material for online resources. More staff has had to be employed due to the 'bubble' system. The school has now been granted as a food supplier and supply hub which also enables them to cook on site. It is looking more positive that funding could be available to replace the remaining terrapin.
 - Mark Strange attended the Village Hall Committee Meeting. There have been a few teething issues

following reopening. A new fogging machine has been purchased. New classes have started up and regular income has returned. It is planned to repaint the hall in January. One committee member has stood down.

- Residents reports to Councillors none.
- **New website** it was agreed to go live as soon as possible now the majority of information has been inputted.

10. Planning -

- Cotswold District Council Call for Sites This is for landowners to put forward potential sites and a good opportunity to learn what building development is being considered by landowners.
- Tony Williams asked if CDC has received any response to their comments on the recent Government planning consultations Stephen Andrews advised that they haven't.
- The Clerk was asked to chase up Linda Townsend at GCC re the Kempsford Quarry and lack of information/ liaison meeting.

11. Finance

• The following bills paid between meetings were approved:-

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	002112		£77.84
•	The followi	ing bills were approved to be paid:-	
	002113	SSE (power for defib & speedsign)	£9.53 + VAT
	002114	CDC (Newsletter printing Oct)	£95.26
	002115	J&T Chesterman (Sept grass-cutting)	£520.00
	002116	The Royal British Legion - donation	£100.00
	002117	T Griffin (wages & use of home)	£373.93
	002118	HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£36.80
•	Receipts since last meeting:		
		Bank Interest	£ .40
		CDC (balance of precept)	£6,115.00

The Finance Report having been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting was agreed and approved.

12. Clerks Report – nothing to report

13. Correspondence –

- All correspondence received via email has been circulated.
- Mark Strange reported further on the news that the Canal Trust has been successful in obtaining funding to connect the restored sections of canal at Brimscombe and Stroud to the wider canal network. They will then be entering the planning stage for phase 2, which is Inglesham to South Cerney.
- 14. **Date of next meeting** 17th November 2020, to be held remotely.

Meeting ended at 8.43pm

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