

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 16th August 2022

Present:

Mark Strange (Chair)

Neil Green

Phil Nickson

Tony Williams

John O'Connell

Stephen Andrews (CDC)

Christine Nugent

Karen Saunders

Teresa Griffin (Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Steve Trotter
2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th July 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:** None present.
7. **County Councillor's Report:** Not present.
8. **District Councillors Report:** -
 - Topics discussed at the Council Meeting held 20th July included:
 - Questions asked over housing, borrowing requirement, e-petition link etc.
 - Recovery Investment Strategy
 - Constitutional amendments, e.g. budget council protocol
 - Appointment of Deputy Chief Exec/S151 Officer (and Interim)
 - Debate not Hate
 - Cost of Living – Committee to review what CDC can directly act on or influence
 - No Cabinet Meeting held in August.
 - Health:
 - Ambulance response times and related issues discussed at Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 12th July. A 'whole system' study to be undertaken.
 - Formally confirmed that No ambulance station closures are planned for the Cotswolds, and a Paramedic training scheme is in place.
 - The Cotswold Canal Open Day at Inglesham on the 23rd July was well attended. Mark Strange advised that new volunteers have come forward for the working party.
 - Footpaths – Progress is continuing on the study of the Fairford to Lechlade path proposal and meetings with LBY continue to show an increasing likelihood that the Southern Route will prove deliverable.
 - Planning -
 - Discussions with LBY re Lakes 103/104 Leisure Facility continue, although no new plans/details have been provided.
 - Coln House School and Yells Yard are two examples of sites that require a Habitat Regulation Assessment as falling within the Zone of Influence relating to North Meadow and Clattinger Farm SAC.
 - No developments of planning enforcement cases.
9. **Kempsford Parish Council**
 - **Update on Hazel View Land Transfer** – The latest email from GCC apologised for not inviting the Parish Council to the recent site meeting and advised that they would not be prepared to delay the highways sign off until all aspects of the site are resolved. It was suggested that the Parish Council should liaise with CDC as the Planning Authority.

This was very disappointing considering that GCC have an interest in the playing field for educational purposes. Stephen Andrews advised that he has started to explore with CDC Planning if this could end up as a planning enforcement case. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association to ask if they could visit and give their opinion on the pitch.

Mark Strange will contact Dom Morris to request help in getting an on-site meeting with GCC and CDC. It was also suggested that when the CDC Chief Executive visits, he be shown the site.
 - **Review of Annual Play Inspection Reports** – The reports did not identify any high risk issues. The report for

Kempsford has been forwarded to Persimmon Homes for them to address the issues raised, and the Whelford report has been forwarded to the Village Hall Committee. The stock valuation has been noted.

- **Update on Community Speed Watch** – The Whelford Group has been very active and a summary of the session results was circulated. Dave Holland at Glos. Police advised that for some reason the Whelford site was removed from the camera enforcement teams list of locations. Due to the evidence gathered by the group he will arrange for the camera van to resume visits.
There has been no news on the GCC grant for the AutoSpeedWatch camera device and it may be that we will not hear until after the first round for applications closes, which we believe is in August – Clerk to check.
- **Updates from meetings attended**
 - Lake 103 & 104 – The latest meeting focussed on the proposed Leisure Facility, however no design plans or detailed facilities have been provided. Tony Williams advised that from conversations he has had with people in the leisure industry they felt that there would be insufficient numbers from the communities listed in the Section 106 Agreement to make the centre viable.
 - Community Meal Hub – following the meeting last month, interested volunteers went to 2 of the events held in Stroud by The Long Table. A further meeting is being held on Monday 12th September.
 - Karen Saunders reported on the Kempsford Village Hall Meeting –
 - * With regards to Trustee positions, only 2 have signed the relevant forms and this will have to be looked in to with the Charity Commission along with DBS checks.
 - * An internet survey is being carried out for regular users. It was noted that the Parish Council has not been invited to participate.
 - * Planning for the Fete is well underway. The road closure deadline was missed.
 - * It may be too late to get the front doors sorted out before winter.
 - * A summons was received from CDC for not paying rates and it is thought this was because an exemption was not applied for.
 - * They plan to organise an event every month from September to May.
 - * £102 was raised at the recent Bingo evening.
 - Mark Strange reported that the School Governors are still short of committee members.
 - Tony Williams met with Joanna Jarvis and Steve Blackwell to thank them for cutting the track from Washpool Lane to High Bridge.
- **Resident's reports to Councillors** –
 - Elderflower by Tuckwell Road/John of Gaunt – We are still awaiting quotes from the 2 contactors. It was agreed that if no response by Friday the Clerk should contact other people.

10. Planning & Licensing –

Ref.	Location	Proposal/development	Decision
17/05047/FUL	Claydon Pike, Lechlade	Full application for construction of a Country Park Visitor Centre - * New information *	Footpath is to be a PROW
22/02552/FUL	Lake 103, Fairford Lakes	Full application for variation of condition 2 (approved plans) to substitute amended plans to enable the exchange of unit types, and minor amendments to the design of those units and plot layouts at plots 103.02 and 103.31	No comment

11. Finance

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

002264	The Play Inspection Co. (2 annual play inspections)	£166.80 inc. VAT
002265	CDC (Newsletter printing)	£82.62
002266	Viking Direct (stamps & paper)	£54.12 inc. VAT
002267	T Griffin (wages & use of home)	£427.00
002268	HMRC (PAYE)	£48.60
Receipts since last meeting:		
	Bank Interest	£2.23
2. The Finance Report was agreed and approved.

12. **Clerks Report** – Fairford Town Council have asked if we would like to attend a meeting to discuss youth provision in the area. Neil Green offered to attend and will contact Fairford TC Clerk.

13. Correspondence –

All correspondence received via email has been circulated.

14. **Date of next meeting** – 20th September 2022

Meeting ended at 9.10pm

Copies:- Mrs Nugent, Mr Green, Mrs Saunders, Mr Williams, Mr Nickson, Mr Strange, Mr O'Connell, CD.Cllrs, C.Cllrs.