

# 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 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Mark Strange (Chair)

John O'Connell

Steve Trotter (CDC)

Tony Williams

Christine Nugent

Stephen Andrews (CDC)

Karen Saunders

Phil Nickson

Teresa Griffin (Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Jerry Stokes and Dom Morris
2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021 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
7. **County Councillor's Report:** Not present.
8. **District Councillors Report:** -  
Stephen Andrews reported -
  - The Budget Consultation continues until the 19<sup>th</sup> November.
  - The publication of Net Zero Carbon Toolkit for individuals can be downloaded.
  - The Platinum Jubilee was discussed by Cabinet. There will be no direct support from CDC who will only help facilitate where they have a responsibility to do so, e.g. road closures, licencing etc.
  - The proposal to use CCTV to monitor fly tipping sites was turned down as expensive and impractical.
  - An updated Homeseeker Plus Policy was approved by Cabinet. The previous update was in 2016. It adds accredited private landlords and includes minor changes and corrections. The media release on Housing that mentioned Kempsford earlier this month has been corrected and reissued.
  - Cabinet has introduced a Community Housing Fund. Funds having been allocated from Government in 2017. Schemes now being encouraged from communities.
  - The planning application for Coln House was approved last Wednesday. Hopefully the field will be passed to Fairford Town Council for local community use. The Rugby Club are proposing a Club House and some sort of gym facility at one end.
  - Noise complaints regarding construction works at RAF Fairford has been raised with the Environmental Team.
  - The water supply issues at Totterdown Lane remain unresolved.Steve Trotter reported -
  - Lechlade Town Council is putting comments together on the SHELAA Review and will oppose any sites outside of its development boundary.
  - The Sustrans multi-user path Feasibility Report is currently being reviewed internally and is expected to be published week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
9. **Kempsford Parish Council**
  - **Community Governance Review** – Council discussed parish boundaries, current number of councillors and warding and agreed no changes to be proposed.
  - **CDC Strategic Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessment Review (SHELAA)** – After discussion, it was agreed there are no additional comments in respect of the identified sites other than confirming that sites F53A and F53B are within Kempsford Parish, despite being included in the Fairford Site Assessment Report. Concerns over additional run-off in to the Dudgrove Brook to be reiterated.
  - **Updates from meetings attended** –
    - Tony Williams reported on the meeting with Lakes by Yoo regarding the Lakes 103/104 development. It was a very constructive meeting and they are relooking in to hydrology and footpath issues. It was suggested to them that they look seriously at the sewerage proposals given the lack of Thames Water capacity at the Fairford pumping station. A further meeting on site is scheduled for the 14<sup>th</sup> December. It was suggested that Steve Trotter be invited to attend given the interest in connecting Fairford and Lechlade through footpaths and cycleways.
    - Karen Saunders reported on the Kempsford Village Hall meeting –

- \* There is some uncertainty on what they should be invoicing the Parish Council for hall hire – Clerk to send details of previous invoices.
  - \* Quotes are being obtained for the fascia boards.
  - \* A quote of £200 has been received for clearing the garden, with an ongoing monthly charge of £30.
  - \* A profit of just under £200 was made from the Halloween Café.
  - \* 8 tables have been booked for the Xmas event.
  - \* It has been difficult to find a replacement cleaner.
  - \* There is concern about the future of the committee next year as several members wish to stand down at the end of the year.
- John O’Connell and Karen Saunders reported on a meeting attended with Bob Passmore from Quenington regarding the new AutoSpeedWatch (ASW) devices. Bob has been a very active member of the Quenington speed watch group and is now pushing for the ASW device to be approved for use. The leader of GCC advised that they have now approved it and it is hoped Gloucestershire Police will soon follow suit.

It was agreed to pay for a Traffic Data & Speed Survey for Whelford and Top Road, Kempsford to obtain evidence. The Clerk has emailed Gloucestershire Highways for further information.

• **Residents reports to Councillors –**

- Mark Strange advised that despite initial concerns over the resurfacing works on the High Street, it all seemed to pass okay. Questions have been asked about why Chapel Road was not resurfaced, even though it was included in the closure. Mark will email the Highways Manager. Stephen Andrews advised that he is in contact with Ubico about when the leaves will be swept.
- A request for pollarding/cutting back of a tree at the entrance to Chapel Close has been received from surrounding residents. They have been in touch with CDC and Gloucestershire Highways to ascertain who owns the small patch of land on which the tree is situated, but it appears to be on ‘no man’s land’. Mark and Tony agreed to look at the tree.

10. **Planning & Licensing –** None within the Parish. Stephen Andrews continues to notify the Parish Council of any Coln Park applications that may impact on the footpath network despite being outside of the Parish.

11. **Finance**

1. A grant application has been received from Kempsford Rainbows for £200. This was approved and the cheque will be raised for signature at the next meeting.

The following bill paid between meetings was approved:-

002199	The Royal British Legion (donation)	£100.00
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The following bills were approved to be paid:-

002200	Westlea Landscaping (Kempsford grass October)	£114.00 inc. VAT
002201	Kempsford Brownies (S.137 donation)	£200.00
002202	Kempsford Table Tennis Club (S.137 donation)	£250.00
002203	T Griffin (wages & use of home)	£409.35
002204	HM Revenue & Customs (PAYE)	£44.20
002205	J&T Chesterman (Whelford grass Oct & Nov clear up)	£190.00

Receipts since last meeting:

Bank Interest	£ .51
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2. The Finance Report was agreed and approved. Council discussed initial thoughts on budget for 2022/23, including working towards undertaking a Neighbourhood Development Plan - Clerk to prepare draft for next meeting.

12. **Clerks Report –**

- A local resident has asked when next year’s grass cutting contract will be out for tender. This will be discussed over the coming months and the resident to be informed.
- The bridge over the Dudgrove Brook by Manor Farm Quarry was covered in deep mud and slurry and was reported.

13. **Correspondence –**

All correspondence received via email has been circulated.

14. **Date of next meeting –** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

Meeting ended at 9.45pm

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