

# **KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL**

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2014 at 7.30.pm. in the parlour of the Memorial Hall.

Mr. Charles Tomalin, who had requested time to speak addressed the Council concerning the possibility of Gigaclear installing superfast broadband into the village and asked for the support of the Council in promoting this. It was agreed that Mr. Tomalin and Councillor Brown would do this; all details can be found on the Kings Cliffe Forum at <http://forum.kingscliffe.net>

**14/076 : Present :** Chairman A. Howard, Councillors Day, L. Crane, C. Williams, G. Caddick, J. Atkinson, R. Meadows, G. Kingston, C. Leuchars and District Councillor R. Glithero.

**14/077 : Apologies for Absence :** Councillors N. Ford, R. Brown and H. Smith

**14/078 : Declarations of Interest :** Councillor Day expressed a non-pecuniary interest in a planning item

**14/079 : Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

Approved

Proposed : Councillor Meadows      Seconded : Councillor Leuchars

**14/080 : Clerks Report**

We have received a payment of £300 from Councillor Glithero's fund to help towards the printing cost of the Village Plan.

Councillor Brown completed Phase 2 of the process for obtaining a grant for the Village Field. It was officially signed by the Clerk and presented on time.

ENC have been informed that we will not be asking for an additional Dog Bin on Wood Road until the traffic calming measures are completed.

Persimmon have constructed a footpath through the Park and ended up against a blank wall. Despite sending e-mails to all parties concerned, pointing out that this was not practical, we have no further information on this matter.

Increase in Membership Fees to NCALC; Danny Moody replied to the query regarding the steep increase and has offered to come to a meeting and speak to us if we are not happy about it, but this will not reduce the subscription.

A letter from ENC explaining that the lease on the Pocket Park Willow Walk is due to expire was received. Nothing further on this, after explaining that we have never paid a peppercorn rent after the first year, 1993, when we paid £100.

Permission for Malting's Green to be used for a wedding on 30<sup>th</sup> August has been given; it is rare nowadays for anyone to ask, as it is deemed to be part of the Village Hall, but is useful to know to ensure the grass is cut.

**14/081 : Matters Arising**

The Chairman feels it is very important that we are kept informed of any progress on the School issues. He stated that he has to get in touch with Michelle Rickard regarding Willow Lane.

Councillor Meadows is concerned about the flooding of properties on Wood Road/West Street; NCC has been informed and will hopefully address this matter.

Although the blocked drains have been reported, no action has been taken. This will be requested again; this appears to be a monthly request, although the Street Doctor always acknowledges requests, very little action seem to take place.

#### **14/082 : Accounts Payable**

Clerks Salary (current month)	£ 315.00
Curator : Cemetery & Churchyard (plus extra grass cutting)	£ 490.00
BT : Telephones charges : ¼ to July	£ 104.37
Phillip Wright : For PC photographs	£ 30.00

Proposed : Councillor Atkinson

Seconded : Councillor Caddick

#### **14/083 : Financial Position**

Bank balances:- Current account £ 8,583.15; Deposit account £ 3,139.63; Bequest account £ 5,695.08

#### **14/084 : Planning**

##### **Applications**

Freestone Lodge, 50 Bridge Street : Retrospective permission for new drive from road to existing yard : 14/01214/FUL : No objection

Top Lodge, Fineshade : 70 cabins and associated buildings; new access road : 14/01156/FUL  
Although not within our Parish a majority of Councillors wish to objection to this and an appropriate letter will be sent to ENC.

##### **Granted by ENC : noted**

31 West Street : Replacement gates : 14/1000/LBC

1 West Street : Change of use from shop and post office : 14/00933/FUL

3 West Street : Single storey rear extension to dwelling 14/00941/FUL and 14/00942/LBC

#### **14/085 : Parish Plan**

ENC have carried out the printing of the Parish Plan, allowing for every household to receive a copy. These will delivered within the next few weeks.

#### **14/086 : Sovereign Grange**

As mentioned in the Clerks report – the PC have complained about the new footpath in the Park being completely misaligned and in their opinion, created in a format which could cause

safety issues and will certainly create maintenance issues. A further forceful letter will be sent to all parties concerned.

Further letters will be sent once again regarding the traffic calming measure adjacent to the new estate.

**14/087 : Traffic problems : NCC Highways**

A report was received from Sarah Barnwell from NCC Highways, regarding the increasing parking problems within the village. However, her report mainly concerned the issuing of parking permits to residents. The PC discussed this and it is not practical in practice; therefore the problems still remains as after many months and years of discussion, no solution can be found. The PC again asks residents to park responsibly and agreed that this problem is unfortunately a penalty many must accept as part of living in our lovely village.

**14/088 : Clerks post**

Interviews will be held for this post on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August.

**14/089 : Gazette entry for September 2014 : to be agreed**

**14/090 : Correspondence Received : all circulated by e-mail to Councillors**

**14/091 : Any Other Business**

It was agreed the Clerk will report the nuisance of very noisy little motorbikes speeding through the village at all hours to the Police.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.40.pm.

The next meeting will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at 7.30.pm. in the Village Hall Parlour.

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