

## KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2014 at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall Parlour.

**14/153: Present:** Chairman M Day, Councillors R Brown, G Caddick, L Crane, N Ford, G Kingston, C Leuchars, R Meadows, District Councillor R Glithero, County Councillor H Smith, five members of the public and the Clerk.

**14/154: Apologies for Absence:** Councillors J Atkinson, A Howard and C Williams.

**14/155: Declarations of Interest:** None

### **14/156: Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

Proposed: Councillor Ford and Seconded: Councillor Crane

### **14/157: Matters Arising**

ENC had stated the Bottle Recycling Bins had been removed from the Recycling Area due to members of the public abusing the facility and using it as a rubbish tip.

Councillor Day has taken photographs of the water-logged footpath between Oak Lane and the Ex-Servicemen's & Social Club.

### **14/158: Presentation by Councillor H Smith, Northants County Councillor followed by Mr D Hellard**

Councillor Smith reported on a recent positive meeting between two ENC Directors and the Directors of Persimmons. An agreement had been reached that Persimmons will pay £750,000 Section 106 Monies (60% in January 2015 and 40% when 90% of the houses have been completed). The Directors of Persimmons had agreed to sort out the traffic calming and flood eluviation issues.

Councillor Smith stated there were no plans to build a new medical centre.

Councillor Smith explained about the urgency of the approval of Planning Permission for the proposed new Primary School. A discussion took place regarding the Parish Council's concerns about the siting of the main entrance on Kings Forest rather than via Kingsmead.

Mr D Hellard gave an update on recent meetings that he had attended and stated that he would like to see a Working Party formed to include representatives from the Parish Council. He stated that the proposed new Primary School will have a traffic management scheme in place. He stated that a parallel project to deal with a vehicular entrance via Kingsmead is essential as this will deal with the Parish Council's concerns but not hold up the Planning Permission. The Parish Councillors strongly asserted their view that access via Kingsmead is critically important. He also stated that a Wildlife Survey will have to be undertaken and that he would like to see a replacement orchard planted on the old allotments or other nearby land.

### **14/159: Clerk's Report**

The Clerk stated that she feels is settling into the role and getting to grips with who's who and the layout of the village.

### **14/160: Accounts Payable**

Clerk's Salary (current month) Deirdre McCumiskey	£252.00
HMRC	£34.56
A E Blunt (Maintenance of Cemetery & Churchyard)	£370.00
Eon (Quarterly Maintenance Charge)	£372.10

Proposed: Councillor Leuchars and Seconded: Councillor Crane

#### **14/161: Financial Position: noted**

Bank Balances - Current Account £12,464.70; Deposit Account £3,140.05; Bequest Account £5,707.03  
Councillor Brown requested that a summary of receipts since the previous meeting is provided in future.

#### **14/162: Planning Applications**

14/01793 - Change of use and alterations to form agricultural dwelling and erection of a new agricultural barn at land on Morehay Lane, Kings Cliffe – Withdrawn

14/02020 – Proposed detached hot food takeaway unit at Elliotts Yard, Kings Cliffe - No Objections although it was felt that the number of parking spaces were inadequate for the visiting customers

14/02112 – Proposed porch to the rear, replacement gates and alteration to 2 No. window cills to first floor windows to rear (North) elevation at 13 Bridge Street, Kings Cliffe - No Objections although it was noted that the replacement gates have been installed prior to the granting of Planning Permission

14/02137 – New three bedroom detached house at 63 Park Street, Kings Cliffe – Objection (4 votes against 3 votes) because this is back land development on a tiny plot

14/02186 – Toilet facility for visitors at 27 Bridge Street, Kings Cliffe – Comments on this were deferred until the January Meeting as it had not been received in time to go onto the Agenda for the meeting

#### **Planning Applications granted by ENC**

14/01405 – Proposed alteration works and extension at 21 West Street, Kings Cliffe

14/01789 – Variation of condition 2 to change the colour of cladding from green to buttermilk at Elliotts Yard, Park Street, Kings Cliffe

14/01887 – Domestic garage with attic rooms over at 48 Bridge Street, Kings Cliffe

#### **14/163: Allotments**

The new Allotment Agreement had been e-mailed to all Parish Councillors prior to the meeting and will take effect to existing tenants from January 2016 as proposed by Councillor Kingston, seconded by Councillor Crane and agreed by all present.

#### **14/164: Gigaclear : KAHSI**

Councillor Brown confirmed that the on-going works will be stopped during the Christmas Holidays. He confirmed that the whole of the village will have access to the service.

#### **14/165: Parish Plan: Update**

Councillor Leuchars stated that the development of a Directory of Local Services/Clubs/Websites had started and the leaflet about Dog Fouling had been included in the Gazette.

#### **14/166: Sovereign Grange: Update**

This had already been covered by Councillor Smith.

A letter had been received from Kings Cliffe Ex-Servicemen's & Social Club regarding the matter of ownership of the boundary fence that had been erected between Sovereign Grange and the Club. The Clerk will reply stating that the Parish Council is not able to assist with this.

#### **14/167: Willow Lane: Update**

There had been no progress with arranging a meeting with Michelle Rickard to discuss the progress on the ownership of Willow Lane.

#### **14/168: Burial Board Report**

Councillor Crane reported that a heap of soil had been left following a recent burial. The Clerk will contact the Funeral Directors concerned.

Councillor Crane confirmed that Lee Isaac had confirmed the materials that he will use for the work to be undertaken in the churchyard. The work will be undertaken in the Spring.

#### **14/169: Police – Crime Report**

No Crime Report had been received since the last meeting.

#### **14/170: Local Liaison Group (Waste Site) Report**

Councillor Leuchars reported on a recent meeting that he had attended:-

- There are plans to widen the entrance
- The Planning Application for an extension to the site is awaiting approval by the Environment Agency
- The Environment Agency had made a recent visit to the site and were satisfied with everything
- Augean had offered to fill the potholes near the Memorial Hall

#### **14/171: Neighbourhood Plan**

Councillor Leuchars will contact ENC to set in motion the launch of a Neighbourhood Plan. This will give statutory approval to what is required in the village by the residents.

#### **14/172: Village Field**

It was agreed that work will commence on the Village Field in the Spring following approval of a grant of £40,000 from the Community Facilities Fund. Councillor Glithero stated that the application for a further grant of £60,000 is likely to be approved at a Full Council Meeting that he will be attending on 15/12/14.

#### **14/173: Gazette Entry for January 2015**

It was too late to include an entry for January 2015 as the closing date was 08/12/14.

#### **14/174: Correspondence Received**

Discussed during the Agenda or e-mailed to all Councillors.

#### **14/175: Any Other Business**

Councillor Glithero confirmed that there will be a housing development on the site of the current school and vehicular access will be from Willow Lane. He said that the Planning Manager will visit the site and meet with the Trustees and the Parish Councillors.

Councillor Ford reported that there are still potholes outside 15 -16 Park Close. It was also reported there is a pothole on Bridge Street opposite the arch.

Councillor Ford reported that the trees behind his house on Park Close need trimming.

Councillor Leuchars confirmed he would like to attend the planned “walk-around-the-village” during the Christmas Holidays. Councillor Day agreed to organise this.

Councillor Brown reported that Morehay Lane is very muddy and wet. The short stretch leading onto Bridge Street is an adopted road, the Highways Department should maintain this part and the Clerk will report it to them.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

The next meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2015 in Kings Cliffe Active.

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Date \_\_\_\_\_