

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 12th November 2015 at 7.30 pm at Kings Cliffe Active.

<p>15/105: Present: Chairman A Howard, Councillors J Atkinson, R Brown, M Day, J Dixon, D Gilbert, B Hardwick, C Leuchars, G Smid, 2 members of the public.</p> <p>15/106: Apologies for Absence: Councillors N Ford and R Meadows, County Councillor H Smith</p> <p>15/107: Declarations of Interest: None.</p> <p>15/108: Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th October 2015: approved.</p> <p>Proposed: Councillor Day Seconded: Councillor Brown</p> <p>15/109: Matters Arising: Councillor Brown will organise a Training Session on Parish Councillor communication using the Parish Council's Website; there had been no reply from Mr D Oliver regarding the Opening Hours of the hot food takeaway at Elliott's Yard; Mr K Howard will repair the two old dilapidated benches for a £50 donation to RBL Stamford (Proposed: Councillor Brown and Seconded: Councillor Atkinson); the Clerk will contact NCC regarding the adverse camber on the Wansford Road; it was noted with regret that the KC Shopper & Post Office is up for sale.</p> <p>15/110: Accounts Payable Clerk's Salary (Nov) Deirdre McCumiskey - £262.00 HMRC - £63.00 Kings Cliffe Sports Association - £16.00 The Gazette - £150.00 Eon (Street Light Repair) - £28.16 RJC Countryside Management - £TBC Waldeck - £3,540.00 RBL Wreath - £50.00 Yoink - £77.60</p> <p>Proposed: Councillor Brown Seconded: Councillor Day</p> <p>15/111: Financial Position: noted</p> <p>Bank Balances:- Current £34,666.97, Deposit £50,000.00, Bequest £4,731.80 Income:- £11,500 Precept, £5,716.88 CFF, £1,670 Groundwork, £4.01 Bank Interest</p> <p>15/112: Planning Applications 15/01760 – Installation of secondary double glazing to five windows at 4 Park Street, KC (No Objections) 15/01767 – Conversion and subdivision to four dwelling units at Huskissons Lodge Farm Buildings, Wansford Road, KC (No Objections)</p> <p>Planning Applications granted by ENC 14/02225 – Change of use of Jacks Green at Rockingham Forest Park 15/01731 – Holm Oak – remove and Apple remove at 64 Park Street, Kings Cliffe</p> <p>15/113: School Development: Update</p> <p>Councillor Smith had sent an e-mail stating the following:- "Planning permission has now been granted for the build of the new school. Unfortunately in order to get this through we had to agree to include a clause concerning the disposal of the surplus land to enable Sport England to withdraw their objection. This actually means we now have to wait for ENC to complete their playing field strategy before we can move to dispose the site. All this has done is build-in further delay. We also had to agree to community use of the Primary School Playing Field too which I can understand is good for some locations but really not so necessary for Kings Cliffe. It just adds to complications. Therefore the future of the surplus land as well as the old school site will not be dealt with particularly quickly as the old school site remains in use for longer and we have to go through the ENC loop for the land. All rather frustrating. Tenders are now in for the build of the school and are currently being evaluated. The prices are much better than the last lot of quotes</p>	<p>RB Clerk</p>
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<p>so I am hopeful that a revised build timetable will soon be public. There is a meeting next week at the school for parents to update them on plans going forward”.</p>	
<p>15/114: Plans for Development of Old School Site & Middle School Site</p>	
<p>It was agreed that the Parish Council needs to produce a report for both NCC and ENC stating the Parish Council’s preferences for the use of the Middle School Site, eg sheltered housing for Senior Citizens, flats for young single people and units for small businesses. Councillor Brown agreed to do this after consultation with villagers at the Neighbourhood Plan Launch on December 13th.</p>	RB
<p>15/115: Sovereign Grange: Update</p>	
<p>Councillor Smith had sent an e-mail stating that there had been no progress in compelling Persimmon to undertake the outstanding works. The Clerk will contact Ms S Matthews, ENC stating the Parish Councillors are disappointed that the outstanding works (chicanes, footpath, play area and dead trees) at Sovereign Grange have not been dealt with and it is understood that a Petition is being organised which they fear will cause adverse publicity for all concerned.</p>	Clerk
<p>15/116: Pytchell: Update</p>	
<p>Transition has signed the Licence Agreement and paid the £1.00 peppercorn rent. Jenny Dixon has requested that her daughter is included on her Licence Agreement which was agreed by the Parish Councillors. It was noted that the signs have been ordered.</p>	
<p>15/117: Willow Walk: Update</p>	
<p>A meeting has taken place recently with the Parish Council Amenities Committee and the Wildlife Trust. Plans to undertake the cutting of the overgrown bushes on both sides of the path to ensure easier access were discussed and agreed. The Clerk will contact Ms S Matthews, ENC to progress the renewal of the lease.</p>	Clerk
<p>15/118: Village Field: Update</p>	
<p>Councillor Brown reported that the fencing has been completed. The field has been sprayed off, drilled and grass seed has been planted and is growing well. Wildflower seed has been planted in the wildlife meadow. It was agreed to erect a small information board. It was agreed the lock on the gate will be a permanent fixture. It was noted that Mr Brown needs to give consent to enable the transfer to be registered at the Land Registry.</p>	
<p>15/119: Burial Board Report & Grass Cutting Tender</p>	
<p>It was agreed to look at the total cost of maintaining the Cemetery during 2015 at the next meeting.</p>	
<p>15/120: Neighbourhood Plan</p>	
<p>The Neighbourhood Plan Group will be launching the Neighbourhood Plan on 13th December 2015.</p>	
<p>15/121: Police – Crime Report</p>	
<p>No Crime Report had been received. The Clerk will invite the Police to attend the next meeting.</p>	Clerk
<p>15/122: Gazette Entry for December 2015</p>	
<p>Discussed and agreed.</p>	
<p>15/123: Correspondence Received</p>	
<p>Discussed during the Agenda or e-mailed to all Councillors.</p>	
<p>15/124: Any Other Business</p>	
<p>Councillor Meadows had sent an e-mail stating the following: “NCC works team has returned since the 'desired</p>	

improvements walkabout' with the Rights of Way Officer. The team has replaced four old stiles with self-closing timber handgates, including a new user friendly footbridge with gate near the bottom of Elliott's Yard. Also, new waymarkers and fingerposts have appeared around the village. As the major improvements are on the field paths linking Bridge Street with the SSI/railway line and Park Street they offer several more easily accessible circular walks. Improvements to footpath from the watermill to Morehay Lane including a new gated footbridge are expected later".

Councillor Hardwick had attended the Defibrillator Training and confirmed that there will be defibrillators available at Kings Cliffe Active, the telephone box and the Ex-Servicemen's Club.

A resident had complained about overhanging trees on the former railway embankment to the rear of Park Close which are in need of taking down as he believes they will cause considerable damage if they were to fall due in the near future. The Clerk will contact ENC.

The next Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 10th December 2015 in Kings Cliffe Active.

Signed _____

Date _____

Clerk