

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly Meeting of the Parish Council was held on 9th March 2017 at 7.30 pm at Kings Cliffe Active.

16/211: Present: Chairman A Howard, Cllrs J Atkinson, R Brown, M Day, J Dixon, N Ford, D Gilbert, B Hardwick, C Leuchars, R Meadows, G Smid and 6 members of the public.

16/212: Apologies for Absence: None

16/213: Declarations of Interest: None

16/214: Chairman's Report

The Chairman stated that all items that he would be reporting upon were on the Agenda already.

16/215: Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th February 2017: approved.

Proposed: Cllr Hardwick Seconded: Cllr Ford

16/216: Matters Arising:

- Street Lights outside 17 Bridge Street – Cllr Brown is still waiting to hear back from Eon.
- Section 106 Agreement Monies – the Clerk will contact Glapthorn Parish Council to find out the process and cost of installing solar powered speed monitoring sign.
- Road Markings at The Cross – Mr R Simpson is dealing with the issue. The Clerk will contact him to establish when the work will be carried out.
- The Clerk had obtained contact details of whom to contact if there are any issues at the Endowed School site.

Clerk

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16/217: Accounts Payable

Clerk's Salary - £252.00
HMRC - £63.00
Kings Cliffe Active - £16.00
Eon - £370.01

Proposed: Cllr Brown Seconded: Cllr Day

16/218: Financial Position: noted

Bank Balances:- Current £20,105.88, Deposit £50028.99, Bequest £4,759.49

Income:- Allotments £30.00, Cemetery £100.00, Groundwork UK £1,280.00

16/219: Planning Applications

None.

Planning Applications granted by ENC

None.

16/220: Oak Lane

The Chairman had been in contact with Mr D Hadaway of Persimmon Homes who had agreed to chase up the Persimmon Solicitors regarding the transfer of land to the Parish Council. Northamptonshire County Council had provided details of the payment that will be made for the Parish Council to maintain the land in the future.

<p>It was still hoped that the roads will be adopted by Northamptonshire County Council.</p>	
<p>It was noted that the land had recently been dug up to check the condition of the soakaways. The Clerk will contact Mr Hadaway to establish how frequently this will need to be undertaken in the future.</p>	Clerk
<p>16/221: Walkway to New School</p>	
<p>The Chairman had met with Ms L Hawes of ENC and signed the paperwork for the Community Facilities Fund Grant of £30,000. The Walkway Licence is not yet available as the Parish Council's solicitor is waiting for the Council's solicitor to produce engrossments of the licence.</p>	
<p>16/222: Willow Walk Lease</p>	
<p>The Chairman has to get his signature for the Willow Walk Licence witnessed by a Solicitor but will do this when the Walkway Lease is available.</p>	
<p>16/223: Grass Cutting</p>	
<p>Cllr Hardwick had spoken to Kings Cliffe Active who were prepared to reduce the quoted price. It was agreed that the Parish Council would accept the quotation as proposed by Cllr Atkinson and seconded by Cllr Dixon. Cllr Hardwick will liaise with the Clerk so that a letter of acceptance laying out details of the contract could be sent to Kings Cliffe Active.</p>	BH
<p>16/224: Allotments</p>	
<p>There are currently several allotments available for rent and this will be mentioned in the Gazette. It was agreed that the Amenities Sub Committee will undertake an Allotment Inspection at the end of March 2017. The Clerk will organise a time and date.</p>	Clerk
<p>16/225: Burial Board Report</p>	
<p>It was agreed to accept the quotation dated 16th January 2017 from RJC Countryside Management for grass cutting in the cemeteries for the 2017 Season.</p>	
<p>Cllr Gilbert reported on an issue with a recent grave that had been prepared in an unsatisfactory way. The Chairman had taken a photograph of it and will e-mail it to the Clerk who will then contact Crowsons to arrange a site meeting to discuss the way ahead.</p>	Clerk
<p>It was noted that there are signs of badger activity in the top corner of the old cemetery.</p>	
<p>16/226: Neighbourhood Plan</p>	
<p>Cllr Leuchars confirmed that the Neighbourhood Plan Consultation Document will be published and distributed to all village residents in the next few weeks.</p>	CL
<p>16/227: Parish Council Green Spaces</p>	
<p>Cllr Leuchars explained that Parish Council Green Spaces are the allocation of certain areas within the village to protect them against development. These can include land owned by the Parish Council, East Northants Council, Woodland Trust and Forestry Commission, etc. He had circulated a proposed list to the Parish Councillors and it was agreed to accept to this with the exception of 6. Village Field (as it is already protected) and 13. Oak Lane Green will be re-named the Lap & Leap. He will contact East Northants Council to inform them that some of it land has been included.</p>	CL
<p>16/228: Police: Crime Report</p>	
<p>The Chairman had forwarded information about local crimes to the Parish Councillors.</p>	

16/229: Gazette Entry for April 2017

Discussed and agreed.

16/230: Any Other Business

Cllr Hardwick agreed to measure and photograph the potholes in the village to send to Northamptonshire County Council. If the potholes are not repaired in the next couple of weeks, the Parish Council will deal with them as proposed by Cllr Brown and seconded by Cllr Meadows.

The Chairman reported that the Kings Cliffe GP Surgery will now not be merging with Lakeside. The GPs are setting up a group to move forward the development of a new GP Surgery in the village and the Chairman has agreed to be a member of the group.

The next Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on 6th April 2017 in Kings Cliffe Active. This will be the Annual Public Meeting.

Signed _____ Date _____

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