

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINVER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5th MAY 2021 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT: Councillors JK Hall (Chairman), , IG Sadler, Mrs C Allen, Mrs E Lord, G Sisley, D Light, BR Edwards, S Anderson, M Smith, and P Wooddisse and County Councillor Mrs V Wilson

78/21. To receive and note apologies for absence

Councillor Mrs S Harris sent her apology for the meeting.

Councillors Miss V Webb (Vice-Chairman), E Simons, T Talbot-Webb, H Williams were not in attendance.

79/21. To record members Declarations of Councillors' Interest.

There were no declarations recorded.

80/21. To receive for confirmation and adoption, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th April 2021 (copy attached).

The Minutes of the above meetings, having been circulated in advance of the current meeting, were approved and signed as a true record of the proceedings at that meeting with the exception that :-

- 72/21 – should read With regard to the Neighbourhood Plan feeding into the Districts Plans for Site Allocations, he suggested that any comments the group wish to could also be submitted at the Public inquiry stage.

81/21. Public Participation – 15 minutes for members of the Parish to raise matters with members of the Council

There were no members of the public present.

82/21. To receive an update for the KSCA re change of status to a CIO

The Clerk reported that although she had tried to contact the Solicitor re advice requested, she had been unable to speak again with her, and she has not replied to emails sent.

On the initial conversation that the Clerk had with her, she mentioned that in looking briefly at the information, it would appear that to protect the land then there should be a lease to the KSCA (like we have with the Bowling Club, the KAG Group and the Model Engineers), this would enable the KSCA to progress with their grant application as they have security of the use of the land and buildings for a set number of years. This needs to be clarified by our solicitor as a possible course of action.

It was proposed by Councillor P Wooddisse and seconded by Councillor D Light that the Clerk confirms with the Councils solicitor that providing this is the correct legal way forward, that a lease is prepared (with the consent of the KSCA) as soon as practicable to allow the land to remain in the ownership of the Parish Council on behalf of the residents of Kinver.

On a vote this was carried with 9 votes for and 1 abstention.

83/21. Update on the current progress on the working group for a proposal for a 20mph speed limits around the Parish

A meeting with the County Council has been agreed. Average speed data has been obtained for the parish

84/21. To receive a report from PCSO's re incidents and statistics for Kinver

The statistics for the last month's crime figures are set out in appendix 1.

85/21. To receive an update on improving the surface of the Holloway

There was no further update at this time and this will be an agenda item when it is required in the future.

86/21. To discuss being a part of Rural Market Towns

Members agreed to ask that the Company promoting the above, to come and give a presentation to the next meeting of the Council.

87/21. To discuss reopening of the High Street and support from SSDC

This item was deferred for further discussion to the next Leisure and Amenities Committee. Ideas discussed were:-

- Upgrading existing bins / proving further ones in the High Street
- Emptying of the bins on a weekend /more frequently
- Facilitate the opening of the toilets in the High Street
- Signage from A458 and A449 stating "Local shops"

88/21. To discuss issues relating to the clearing of the Sterrymere

Members expressed their concerns over the clearing and works to the Sterrymere that have been undertaken by the KSCA, these had come to light via Social media when it was reported that the brambles and foliage on the ground had been cut back during the birds breeding seasons. Also at the last meeting we had a request from residents of Sterrymere Gardens with their concerns over flooding from the Sterrymere Lake, safety of the culvert area and the overall development of the KSCA.

It was agreed that the Clerk write to the Chairman of the KSCA expressing the concerns of the Parish Council relating to the above matters as a matter of urgency.

89/21. To receive the minutes and any recommendations from the following Committee meetings:-

Finance and General Purposes Committee

21st April 2021

The following recommendation was made to the Council that

- the year end accounts and associated papers as set as Appendix 1 to these minutes be accepted.
- a verge license when it is required is paid for by the Parish Council as a one off of £109.00.
- £100 is given to purchase the discs to sign the walking route.

These were agreed.

The following recommendation was made to the Council that

- the planning recommendations as set out in agenda item 5.

These were agreed.

90/21. County / District Councillors to address the Council on any matters relevant to the Parish

Councillor BR Edwards reported on the following items:-

- The SSDC AGM will be held on the 18th May, where Councillor Mrs L Hingley will become the Chairman of the Council.
- 18th July will be the Civic Service date.
- There is no further information from the Boundary Commission re the proposal to reduce the number of SSDC Councillors.
- The Car Park opposite the Parish Office has had the holes filled in.
- 2 acre of land in Stourton is being used to plant a new wood / orchard.

91/21. To receive and note the report from the Clerk including Burial Ground Superintendents report.

Information only

Locality 5 forum meeting notes

Stewpony – update on proposed works to drains

SHELAA - copies of a Parish Council Local Plan review update briefing note and a SHELAA FAQ Sheet for your information.

Update on COVID restrictions

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-for-local-government>

The above items were noted.

Requests for Financial Support from Kinver Bowling Club – this matter was referred to the next Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting.

92/21. Reports from Members sitting on Outside Bodies for the Parish Council.

Councillor Mrs C Allen reported that there is an empty property that belongs to the Walter Holdnall Trust, and anyone that may be interested should contact her.

It was noted that there is now no representatives sitting on the KSCA Committee as Councillor S Anderson has resigned from the committee, but the vacancies can be filled at the AGM in May.

93/21. To receive the accounts for payment since the last meeting.

The accounts for payment are set out as appendix 2 to these minutes. These were noted and agreed.

94/21. Items for future Meetings

Rural Market Town presentation.

95/21. Dates of Next Meetings –

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| Leisure and Amenities Committee | | 6 th May 2021 |
| N Plan Steering Group | | 17 th May 2021 |
| Planning and Development Committee | 8.00pm | 26 th May 2021 |
| AGM Parish Council meeting | 7.00pm | 26 th May 2021 |
| Parish Council | | 2 nd June 2021 |
| Finance and General Purposes Committee | | 23 rd June 2021 |

**Police report
for Kinver
Parish
Council**

Police crime and ASB report

Dates:

05/04/2021 -

04/05/2021

Public bodies can only disclose information if they have the power to do so. Section 115 of the Crime and Disorder Act provides a power to exchange information where disclosure is necessary to support the local Crime Reduction Strategy and Partnership in achieving the aims of the Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy and objectives outlined within it.

The degree of disclosure that takes place must be proportionate and relevant to the level of social ill or criminality it is intended to counter or prevent.

The information is only to be processed in relation to crime and disorder purposes. Information will be handled in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998, the Human Rights Act 1998 and any other relevant legislation governing disclosures and will ultimately be disposed of in a secure manner.

Main headlines since the last meeting:

- **Burglary –**

- Hyperion Road – 30/03/21 Report of person entering house via back door (early morning approx. 0200hrs) offender has rummaged through draws and a bag in the kitchen, nothing stolen but possibly after keys to a vehicle parked on driveway. Officer seized a black glove left at the scene and we are awaiting forensic results. Still photo of offender from CCTV is below



- **Theft of Motor Vehicle –**

- Manor House at Whittingham – Between 18:00hrs and 19:20hrs a Nisan Juke was stolen without keys from the car park whilst owner was walking a dog.
- Sandy Lane, Kinver Edge – At approximately 12:00hrs an Audi 2_TDSI estate was stolen without keys whilst owner was walking over the edge.

- **Vehicle Crime -**
 - Hyperion Road – 10/04/21 at approximately 04:00hrs a male was seen trying door handles, officers attended and arrested a male at the location. It is not the same offender from 30/03/21. Jake HARBOURNE aged 38 from Wordsley was put before the court 12/04/21, pleaded guilty to 2 x TFMV and 2 x vehicle interference. We feel disappointed that the court only imposed a fine of £280, £135 court costs, £34 victim surcharge. Residents on the estate were really helpful to police with providing CCTV and information.

- **ASB hotspots –**
 - Repeat ASB locations this month. We continue to monitor and patrol known off road bike hotspots –
 - **Biffa / Gibbet Wood / Stourton Quarry** – We have seen an increase recently in calls relating to the use of off-road bikes at the location. In response to this, we have re-instated Operation Scramble – The force operation targeting the use of such vehicles causing a nuisance to residents. This operation will continue throughout the year. We would like to thank the public for taking time to report such issues and encourage them to call should these issues continue.
 - **Friars Gorse, Lawnswood/Prestwood** – We have had several reports of off road bikes at the location.
(Both these locations are included in Operation Scramble – the force response to reports of persons using off-road vehicles on land without permission)

- **Suspicious incidents –**
 - We have received multiple reports of suspicious behaviour across the village and have, and will continue to, assess every one. Some are innocent or misinterpreted incidents however some provide us with invaluable information. Thank you to the residents who take the time to contact us; it is much appreciated.
 - Local officers have been closely working with the neighbourhood tasking team and road crime team, on organised Police operations code named Operation Lightning to prevent criminals from using the road network.
 - With the current trend of thefts of catalytic converters we have Operation Androme, working together with the road crime team. The vehicles targeted are Japanese namely Honda, Toyota, Lexus.

- **Please follow South Staffs Police on Twitter: [@SStaffsPolice](https://twitter.com/SStaffsPolice)**

- We are looking for volunteers for Speed Watch. If any residents are interested please direct them to <http://www.staffssaferroads.co.uk/my-community/community-speed-watch>
 - Thank you to the current members of Speed Watch for your continued time and support; it really is appreciated.

- Please recommend Smart Alert to any residents interested
<https://staffordshiresmartalert.uk/staffs/>

- Please feel free to encourage public participants to try reporting incidents via our 'Digital 101' service. A private message can be sent to Staffordshire Police pages on Facebook / Twitter, instead of phoning 101 and waiting in a queue.

| Accounts for payment for May Parish Council meeting 2021 | | |
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| Accounts for payment | Description | Total |
| Barclays Bank | Charges | 6.50 |
| British Telecom | Phone Bill | 349.50 |
| Postage | | 34.10 |
| ICCM | Annual Subs | 95.00 |
| J R K | Supplies | 20.19 |
| Kinver Methodist Church | Car Park rent | 575.00 |
| Land Registry | 2 x land searches | 39.90 |
| Midshires | Copier charges | 72.00 |
| Npower | Xmas Lights | 135.49 |
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| O C L | Supplies | 37.44 |
| Pure Shine | Windows | 20.00 |
| Rutelle | Audit | 475.00 |
| SWOPS | Fuel | 80.00 |
| Zoom | Monthly charge | 14.39 |
| Viking Direct | | 230.42 |
| Water Plus | rates | 44.19 |
| | | 2303.60 |
| List of Monthly Direct Debits | | |
| SSDC | Toilet rates | 94.33 |
| SSDC | CR Rates | 66.53 |
| Utility Warehouse | Garage electricity | 13.39 |
| Utility Warehouse | 95 High Street Gas and electricity and mobile phone | 179.06 |
| Utility Warehouse | Kinver Edge Toilets | 9.56 |
| Utility Warehouse | High Street Toilets | 38.20 |
| Salaries | May | 5965.42 |
| | Total | 6366.49 |
| | Total Expenditure | 8670.09 |
| Receipts | | |
| Burial Fees | | 830.00 |
| | Total Income | 830.00 |