

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINVER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8TH JANUARY 2020 AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES AT 95 HIGH STREET, KINVER

PRESENT: Councillors JK Hall (Chairman), Miss V Webb (Vice-Chairman), S Anderson, H Williams, BR Edwards, Mrs C Allen, T Talbot-Webb, G Sisley, P Wooddisse, E Simons, D Light, Mrs E Lord, IG Sadler, and County Councillor Mrs V Wilson

1/20. Apologies for Absence.

Councillors D Hadlington and H Rogers were not in attendance due to other commitments

2/20. Declarations of Councillors' Interest.

Councillor BR Edwards declared a pecuniary interest in relation to planning application 19/00856/FUL.

3/20. To receive for confirmation and adoption, the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th December 2019 (copy attached).

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4th December 2019, 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 following exception that

4/20. Public Participation – Standing Orders will be suspended for a maximum of 15 minutes to allow members of the public to address the Council

There were no members of the public present.

5/20. Matters arising from Previous Minutes.

None were reported.

6/20. Police to address the Council on relevant matters and any relevant matter relating to ASB in the village and outstanding police matters of concern.

The Crime statistics were issued to all members and the PCSO in attendance ran through the statistics.

An update was asked re the Community Speed Watch, Councillor P Wooddisse reported that the group are looking for more volunteers, and he will ensure that the speed device is returned to the Parish Office for safe keeping.

7/20. To discuss the problem relating to the narrowing of the footway on the A458 at Stourton

Councillor G Sisley reported that he had met with a local contractor to ask for his advice on what to do on this particular stretch of path. He had been advised that the path can be cleared further, but before anything can happen the hedge row needs to be cut right back. The length of affected path measures 600 m, and he has been given a quote to clear the path on behalf of the Parish Council if required.

It was noted that the deadline for hedge-cutting is drawing near.

The Technicians have not had time to date to cut out test sections of the pathway, but will endeavour to do so before the next meeting.

This is an ideal example of 3 tier working.

8/20. To discuss continuing with prayers before Council meetings

It was proposed by Councillor H Williams and seconded by Councillor BR Edwards to continue with prayers before meetings, and on a vote this was carried with 9 votes for.

9/20. Naming of the Burgesses development

An email from the District Council has been received asking for comments on renaming the Burgesses to the "New Burgesses". It was agreed to suggest keeping the name as it is for the site, as "The Burgesses" and on a vote this was agreed.

10/20. Christmas 2020

Councillor P Wooddisse asked if he can investigate what happened at the Christmas event for 2019, and come back with some ideas to help the community work together for Christmas 2020. The Parish Council agreed that they would support Councillor P Wooddisse in a fact finding mission and this to be an agenda item for March.

11/20. To receive the Minutes of the following Committee meetings and to consider adoption of any recommendations therein -

Planning and Development Committee

11th December 2019

The minutes of the above meetings, having been circulated, were **Received**, the following Recommendations were made to the Parish Council that the:-

- planning recommendations as set out in agenda item 5 are sent to the District Council.

12/20. County / District Councillors to address the Council on any matters relevant to the Parish

Councillor Mrs V Wilson reported:-

- the leak on the A458 has been stopped, and they are next to look at the problems by the former Stewpony.
- The gritters will be coming out over the next couple of weeks with the predicted bad weather, but they will be out in the night.
- The newly elected Government has promised a further £2 billion pounds towards tackling the problem of pot holes
- A new meeting is to be agreed for the 3 tier working together.

Councillor BR Edward's reported:-

- The budget seminar is to take place this week at Codsall
- Due to reductions in funding from Biffa, the green bins in the future will be an additional charge of £43.60 per household.
- The KSCA are putting into the District Council their plans for extending the building.

13/20. Report of the Chairman

No report was made.

14/20. Report from the Clerk.

Matters for Decision

Spatial Housing Strategy – an email has been received from local business owner asking for support from the Council re stopping any further development in Greenbelt - It was agreed that the Clerk write to the local business owner explaining that the Parish Council cannot be involved on this matter. As it may be seen in the future that this could be seen as the Parish Council having pre-determined their decision on future development within the Parish.

Free Trees – it was agreed that the Clerk circulate this information via Facebook for the public to come forward with ideas on locations for trees. It was noted that wherever they are planted, permission is required from the landowner, and a guarantee that they will look after the tree from then on.

Invitations to attend - The Stronger Three Tier Working meeting for Kinver Division date has had to be cancelled again a new date of the 11th February 2019 was put forward for a future date.

Superintendents Report - 1 x new burial plot for 2 and 1 reopened plot

The above items were noted.

15/20. Reports from Members on Outside Bodies.

Councillor Mrs C Allen reported that over 900 vouchers were issued from the Old Peoples Welfare, and they are hopeful next year to be able to increase the monetary value of the vouchers.

16/20. Accounts for Payment.

The accounts are attached as appendix 1 to these minutes. They were agreed.

17/20. Items for future Meetings

A458 footpath – Christmas 2020 (March meeting) – White Harte Caravan park information has been given to residents on the sale of the park, members agreed to agenda this for the next meeting to discuss further – cars driving on FP top of Meddins Lane

18/20. Dates of Next Meetings –

Leisure and Amenities Committee	15 th January 2020
Planning and Development Committee	29 th January 2020
Finance and General Purposes Committee	19 th February 2020
Parish Council	5 th February 2020

The Chairman welcomed our newest Council member Mrs Eunice Lord to the Council.

Appendix 1 to the minutes of the Parish Council held on the 8th January 2020

Accounts for payment 8th January 2020			
Chq No	Accounts for payment		
405617	Kinver Edge Farm Shop	February	90.00
SO	Barclays Bank	Charges	8.80
SO	ESPO	Supplies	90.19
SO	Express Mowers	Billy Goat	1368.00
SO	Inland Revenue	Payment	1423.31
SO	J R K	Stationary+ laptop	564.25
SO	Pureshine	Windows cleaned	40.00
SO	Sage	Year end forms	42.60
SO	SSDC	Legal fees	600.00
SO	Screwfix	Supplies	8.29
SO	Swinford Insurance	Weeks courtesy van charge	56.00
SO	SCC	Pensions	2038.09
SO	Wicksteed	September	4.10
SO	SCC		
SO	Swops	November	174.79
SO	Viking Direct		
			6508.42
	List of Monthly Direct Debits		
DD	SSDC	CR Rates	47.00
DD	Utility Warehouse	Garage electricity	
DD	Utility Warehouse	95 High Street Gas and electricity and mobile pho	
DD	Utility Warehouse	Kinver Edge Toilets	
DD	Utility Warehouse	High Street Toilets	
DD	Salaries		6401.44
		Total	6448.44
		Total Expenditure	12956.86
	Receipts		
	Burial Fees		890.00
	Toilet income		0.00
	Barclays	Loyalty payment	0.00
		Total Income	890.00