

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE LEISURE AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE OF KINVER
PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 24TH AUGUST 2020 AT 10.00AM VIA ZOOM
SOFTWARE**

Present: Councillors: P Wooddisse (Chairman), S Anderson, Mrs C Allen, G Sisley.
Councillor Mrs S Harris was also in attendance.

1. TO RECEIVE AND NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies of absence were received from Councillors J K Hall (Ex-Officio), T Talbot-Webb (Vice Chairman) and Co-opted member J Glover sent their apologies for the meeting.

2. TO RECORD DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGARDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

None were declared.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE LEISURE AND AMENITIES
COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meetings of the Leisure and Amenities Committee held on 29th July 2020, having been circulated previously, were approved and signed as a true record of the proceedings with the following exceptions:-

Giants Well

*Councillor S Anderson proposed and Councillor Mrs C Allen **seconded** that the Parish Council allocate a maximum of £2000 for the regeneration of the Giants Well and reconnect the water supply, relocate the dog bin and a plaque to show what it is. Councillor S Anderson will come forward with an idea of costs and a specification. On a vote this was carried.*

Bulbs

Councillor Mrs C Allen has sent through a photo of the area of bulbs in Stourton.

*Councillor S Anderson proposed and Councillor Mrs C Allen **seconded** to Recommend to the Parish Council that Kinver Eco Collective may want to plant some wild flowers on the grass verges with possible funding from the Parish Council in place of buying further bulbs. On a vote this was carried.*

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING

None were reported.

5. UPDATE / PRESENTATION FROM KINVER ECO-COLLECTIVE (Green Village)

Due to Covid the meetings have been less frequent. There are 2 main projects they are working a park and stride scheme from the KSCA to reduce carbon emissions around the school, and then working towards being a plastic free village. This to proceed needs support from the Parish Council.

There is a Community toolkit for this and then members can have a look at it and discuss further at the next meeting with a view to making the village a Plastic Free zone. She will also circulate any relevant details to members of the Committee for a full discussion at the next meeting.

Members suggested perhaps using the rear gate to Kinver High School grounds may be a useful option.

6. FUTURE PROJECTS

Update on walks

Councillor P Woodisse this still waling the Staffordshire Way, and a walk was organised by Cllr S Anderson on Saturday which was a walk with a quiz.

There is not a well signed to the Village from the Edge, and the Staffordshire Way does not take into account the sights of Kinver, and when land is developed on White Hill, this should be addressed and the path diverted.

There is a also a deadline to record rights of ways in the parish on the Definitive map. It was agreed that this be an agenda at the next meeting.

Paths awaiting approving on the map are a path through the woods at the back of the KSCA and also the path of Prestwood Drive. All evidence has been submitted to show use of the path of many years.

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Previous minute:-

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Some objectives would include:

- Clear the undergrowth from the immediate vicinity
- Replace damaged capping stones
- Reconnect the water supply
- Re-site the bin slightly further away from the water fountain
- A sign of some sorts explaining what the well is/was

In an ideal world it would be possible and safe to get drinking water from the 'well' and perhaps the immediate vicinity could have a weed membrane and some chippings over it to minimise maintenance. Is this also a potential site for a bench seat (e.g. between the well and Heather Drive sign)?

The previous recommendation is still to be put forward to the next Parish Council meeting.

Bulbs

Kinver Eco Collective have indicated they are happy to help with planting on the grass verges wild flower seeds and members felt that the Parish Council instead of buying bulbs this year, purchases wildflowers and as previously they are planted by members and volunteers. The cost for a 1kg bag is approx £98.00. It was proposed by Councillor S Anderson and seconded by Councillor P Wooddisse to recommend to the Parish Council that a 1 kg bag of wildflower seeds is purchased for planting on verges within the Parish by members and volunteers. On a vote this was carried.

Christmas 2020

Traders have intimated that they would be likely to support a Christmas event in some form.

Danesford Gardens – the tree on the site has branches overhanging the Pavement so the Clerk advised that it would not fit in the location that was pointed out. A lighting pillar would be approx. £1000 - £1400 to install for power for the lights.

Councillor P Wooddisse has held meetings with the Big Tree Group, and discussed that Kinver Parish Council may take over planting a living tree. He has applied to Staffordshire County Council to plant a 10ft tree growing to 20ft. Steve Dore has been contacted and he said we could have 12ft tree and the root deflection would not work well. £550 for a pot grown tree. He is still waiting permissions from the relevant authorities.

It was proposed by Councillor S Anderson and seconded by Councillor G Sisley that in principal the Parish Council agrees to the purchase, siting (by the library) and lighting to a maximum cost of £3000 for a live tree max height 12ft, slow growing, subject to funding being available from the Finance Committee when it meets on the 16th September.

7. MEMBERS REPORTS ON PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS ONLY

The following were noted as needing attention:-

FP56 Post needs repositioning so the face is parallel to the road and the pointer rotated 90 deg.

FP47 Missing marker on post with FP.46

Sheepwalks FP13 behind the properties on the right of the path, there is a stile that needs to be replaced, and a ditch needs to be looked at. The Technicians will have a look and report back.

8. COMMUNICATION / CORRESPONDENCE TO THE CHAIRMAN

None has been received.

9. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Items for a future agenda –
Presentation from Canals and Rivers Trust.
Additional rights of way
Bus Service

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting 23rd September 2020 at 7pm.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

The following recommendations was made to the Council that:

the Parish Council allocate a maximum of £2000 for the regeneration of the Giants Well and reconnect the water supply, relocate the dog bin and a plaque to show what it is.

a 1 kg bag of wildflower seeds is purchased for planting on verges within the Parish by members and volunteers.