

KINGSTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 9 OCTOBER 2017

Item Nr	Item	Action By
1.0	<p>Attendance and Apologies</p> <p>In attendance: Cllr N Bradshaw (Chairman) Cllr M Anderson Cllr J Clarke Cllr S Farnham Cllr J Marsh Cllr K Taylor Cllr N Townsend (PC and TDBC Councillor) Miss C Roche (Parish Clerk) Cllr R Williams (SCC Councillor) 4 Members of the Public attended the meeting</p> <p>Apologies received from: Cllr R Stokes Cllr A Wilcox Cllr C Tucker (TDBC Councillor) PCSO T Wearmouth (Avon and Somerset Police).</p>	
2.0	<p>Councillors Declarations of Interest in Any Agenda Item</p> <p>None.</p>	
3.0	<p>Items from Members of the Public</p> <p>A Member of the Public requested that the Parish Council consider a donation to the Musgrove Park Hospital new MRI scanner appeal, when it considers its Section 137 grants in this financial year. Musgrove Park Hospital presently has 2 scanners and a mobile scanner with significant costs being incurred whenever this scanner is being used. The new scanner would help keep waiting lists under control. It will cost £1 million to purchase and is being ordered, in May 2018. It was agreed to consider Section 137 Grants at the November 2017 Parish Council meeting.</p>	Clerk
4.0	<p>Police Update</p> <p>The Clerk advised that she had not received a report from the Police, prior to the meeting.</p>	
5.0	<p>SCC Councillor Update</p> <p>Cllr Williams advised the Parish Council of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A new road patching machine was being trialled by SCC Highways ❖ Ideas for the Small Improvement Scheme (highways) would be welcomed ❖ SCC Education was considering expanding Selworthy School ❖ Taunton Foundation NHS Trust and Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation Trust were considering a merger in 2018 ❖ A Full Cabinet meeting and Scrutiny Committee meetings would be taking place this month 	
6.0	<p>TDBC Councillor Update</p> <p>Cllr Townsend advised that he had nothing to report.</p>	

<p>7.0</p>	<p>Employ a Lengths Man</p> <p>Cllr Bradshaw requested that the Parish Council consider employing a lengths man, to maintain identified areas of the parish's natural environment.</p> <p>The DLO were presently 170 jobs behind programme and SCC Highways was employing a contractor to catch up with those jobs that needed to be dealt with urgently. Cllrs Bradshaw and Farnham, as well as the Clerk had recently met with the DLO Manager, to explain to him that the natural environment maintenance of Bay Hill was unacceptable. Since the meeting, Bay Hill had been maintained.</p> <p>The Clerk was requested to contact Mr Porter, Bishops Hull Parish Council to ascertain if the lengths man grant funding was still available.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>8.0</p>	<p>Hedgerow and Highway Maintenance</p> <p>The hedgerow along Greenway required significant cutback, as 1 metre of highway had been lost over the years. The Clerk was requested to contact SCC Highways accordingly.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>9.0</p>	<p>Playing Field Vandalised Signs and Installation of CCTV</p> <p>Complaints had been received regarding dog fouling on the Playing Field.</p> <p>Dog mess that is not cleared up by the minority of dog owners can be the cause of serious illnesses, such as Toxocara T Canis causing eye infections and blindness in young children and Parvo, a potentially fatal dog disease.</p> <p>Signs had been erected requesting that the minority of dog owners who do not clear after their dogs, do so. However, these signs had recently been vandalised.</p> <p>The Parish Council, as the Playing Field Custodian Trustee was asked to consider installing CCTV. However, CCTV is governed by the Data Protection Act 1998. The Parish Council agreed that Kingston St Mary village was not a suitable place for CCTV. It would consider the cost of erecting substantial signs within the boundary of the Playing Field and asked that the minority of dog owners who do not clear up after their dogs, be mindful that the Playing Field is predominantly used by young children.</p> <p>The Clerk was asked to ascertain the cost of signage.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>10.0</p>	<p>Community Plan Action Plan - Review of Speed Limits</p> <p>Speed limits in various areas of the parish had been discussed at the September 2017 meeting. The Clerk provided the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ SCC Highways had been contacted and it advised that a Small Improvement Scheme would be required, to reduce speed limits. The Parish Council should contact Cllr Williams accordingly. Cllr Williams advised that he would speak with the Clerk regarding reducing speed limits. Ongoing ❖ Cheddon Fitzpaine Parish Clerk advised that reducing the speed limits at the bottom of Volis Hill had been achieved by moving signage to make signs more visible to drivers. Item closed ❖ The Speed Indicator Results table had been sent to Mr Taylor. Item closed 	<p>C/F</p>

11.0	<p>North Taunton Urban Development The Clerk updated the Parish Council as follows: ❖ The Planning Applications had been heard by the Planning Committee on the 20 September 2017. Four items were deferred for further consideration. These were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relocating the junction on Kingston Road to avoid felling so many protected old oak trees • Increasing the proportion of affordable homes from 10 percent as requested by the promoter, up to 15 percent • Scrapping the drop-down road in Corkscrew Lane • Consider the wider traffic implications <p>❖ The next Planning Committee meeting has been provisionally booked for the 24 October 2017 at 6.00PM, at Somerset County Cricket Club. Representatives from ROSAG, Staplegrove and Kingston St Mary Parish Councils would be speaking at this meeting. Ongoing.</p>	C/F
12.0	Planning	
12.1	Applications	
12.1.1	<p>20/17/0023 Erection of Boundary Wall at Grove Farm, Pinkney, Kingston St Mary Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to this Application.</p>	Clerk
12.1.2	<p>20/17/0027 Replacement of Dwelling and Outbuildings with Dwelling and Carport at Greenbanks, Lodes Lane, Kingston St Mary Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to this Application. However, it wished to raise the following points with the Planning Officer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The height of the new building is to be confirmed, as it is thought to be higher than the present building ❖ The outbuilding noted in the Planning Application is outside of the present settlement boundary ❖ The position of the new driveway is not indicated on the plans 	Clerk
12.1.3	<p>20/17/0028 Notification to Fell One Holly Tree within Kingston St Mary Conservation Area at Camplins, Church Lane, Kingston St Mary Resolved: The Parish Council had no objection to this Application.</p>	Clerk
12.2	<p>Granted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 20/17/0014 Erection of Stable Block with Associated Works on Land Adjacent to Marsh House, Kingston Road, Kingston St Mary ❖ 20/17/0021 Erection of Replacement Porch to the North-East Elevation and Replacement Extension to the South-East Elevation of Little Acre, 2 Quantock Rise, Kingston St Mary ❖ 20/17/0022 Notification to Fell One Judas Tree within Kingston St Mary Conservation Area at Hembrow Cottage, Church Lane, Kingston St Mary <p>The Parish Council noted the above.</p>	
13.0	<p>Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting dated 11 September 2017 Resolved: The Minutes were approved and signed as a true record.</p>	
14.0	Matters Arising	
14.1	<p>Repainting Direction and Fingerpost Signs The Parish Clerk advised that she had contacted AGS Services regarding the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Nailsbourne and Dodhill directional signs - the raise lettering 'Somerset' will be painted white when AGS Services are next in the parish. Item closed. ❖ AGS Services advised that the wooden fingerpost top at the junction of Pickney Lane/Fitzroy Lane was already missing in March 2017, when they were surveyed this fingerpost sign. Item closed. 	

14.2	<p>Kestercombe Lane Top Surface Dressing Cllr Townsend advised that since the last meeting, he had spoken with SCC Highways Area Manager who advised that SCC's highway contractor will be repairing the ditch before the surface dressing is laid. Item closed.</p>	
14.3	<p>Housing Needs Survey At the July 2017 meeting, the cost of a Housing Needs Survey (approximately £2,000 depending on number of houses in parish) was discussed. It was thought that a source of funding may be the Neighbourhood Plan. The Clerk advised that Ms Humble (TDBC Housing Officer) should be contacted to discuss the survey costs and if a grant could be applied for. Ongoing.</p>	C/F
15.0	<p>Financial Matters</p>	
15.1	<p>Payments None.</p>	
15.2	<p>Receipts None received.</p>	
16.0	<p>Correspondence The Clerk advised that none had been received.</p>	
17.0	<p>Matters for Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ North Taunton Urban Development: Planning Committee decision ❖ Precept 2018/2019 	Clerk
18.0	<p>Items for LinkUp</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Dogs on Playing Field ❖ Free flu jabs ❖ Planning Applications ❖ Date of next Parish Council meeting 	Cllr Bradshaw
19.0	<p>Date of Next Meeting Monday 13 November 2017 at 7.30PM. The meeting closed at 9.40PM.</p>	

Signed:

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