KILMERSDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Kilmersdon Parish Council Held at the Coles Garden Meeting Room At 7.30pm on Monday 17th December 2018

- **PRESENT:** Cllr K Lewis (Vice Chair, in the chair), Cllrs N Brand, D Hudson, S Gibbs.
- ABSENT: Cllrs R Butt and R Morse.
- **ATTENDING:** 2 members of the public for public comments. L Close (Parish Clerk).

129.APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Butt and Morse and from County Councillor Mike Pullin and District Councillor Edward Drewe.

130.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Brand declared an interest in item 9 Planning Application 2018/2780/HSE as the applicant.

131.MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th November 2018 were **agreed** as a true record and signed by the Vice Chair.

132.PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

The Vice Chair welcomed the applicant and agent of planning application 2018/2799/HSE 3, Kilmersdon. They outlined the background to the application and put forward a suggestion of zinc cladding instead of wood for the garage. They had thought the garage was allowed under permitted development rights but, being higher than 4m, required retrospective planning approval.

133.NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Hudson reported on the progress of the Plan, with a meeting planned with Rode for a first hand account from a similar authority of how they brought their Neighbourhood Plan to fruition.

Agreed that the entire parish of Kilmersdon is considered appropriate for designation as the Neighbourhood Plan Area as it is a logical planning unit, with the entire parish being administered by Kilmersdon Parish Council. **Action: The Clerk to write accordingly to Mendip DC.**

134.FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following payments were **agreed**.

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Payee	Detail	Gross	Net	Power	Ch no
Parish	Parish	£1,000	£1,000	LGA	001272
Church – for	Church – for			1972, s.	
the parish	the parish			142	
churchyard	churchyard				
Parish News	Grant for	£400	£400	LGA 1972	001273
	newsletter			s.142	
Citizens	Grant	£300	£300	LGA 1972	001274
Advice				s.137	
Village Day	Grant	£50 or	£50 or	LGA 1972	001275
		£100	£100	s.137	
Mendip	Grant	£100	£100	LGA 1972	001276
Community				s.137	
Transport					
L Close	Salary (Nov)	£241.42	£241.42	LGA 1972	001277
				s.143	
Greensward	Grasscutting	£540.00	£450	LGA 1972	001278
	– Sep - Nov			S.	
HMRC	Tax	£181.20	£181.20	LGA	001279
				1972,	
				s.143	

135.HIGHWAY MATTERS

30mph signs – A meeting on site with the Highways Officer brought clarity to the proposed location of the moving of the 30mph signs, which was in hand with Somerset CC.

Village sign – The location of the signs had been confirmed and they would be installed in this financial year. Action: once installed, the Clerk is to put the signs on the Parish Council's insurance schedule in case of damage.

136.PLAYING FIELD

- Damage to a seat of a picnic bench, possible rot underneath Action: Cllr Lewis to discuss with Cllr Morse.
- The footpath at the playing field is overgrown with weeds. The landowner has agreed to attend to this. Action: The Clerk to chase the work in the new year.

137.PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(1) 2018/2654/FUL Occupation of building as Archery Centre (D2) with ancillary retail use(A1). Unit 20, Charmborough Business Park Charlton Road Holcombe – no objection.

(2) 2018/2799/HSE 3 Kilmersdon Erection of garage and replacement cladding to west facing gable (part retrospective) – **Agreed** that the existing objections still stand .(1) the height of the garage is still an issue, the upper storage room making it higher than a standard garage. (2) The proposed cladding would be better in stone to match the existing structure and the new stone wall and (3) due to the danger of access the 30mph signs need to be moved before the access comes into use.

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(3) 2018/2780, HSE 1 Kilmersdon, Proposed first floor extension and refurbishment of the existing porch. – no objection.

(4) 2018/1239/FUL – the consent for a stale block, shed, holiday lodge and menage on land to the south of Lowerfield Farm. **Agreed** to write to Mendip DC expressing disappointment that the objections of the Parish Council and adjoining residents had no effect on the Council's decision. In particular the restricted access will cause traffic issues and Mendip is asked how they intend to control the occupancy condition as the condition stated on the consent seems woefully inadequate.

138.FORWARD PLANNING

- Rat infestation and clearance of the site next to the playing field whilst the rat infestation seems to have gone, the site suffers from fly tipping, the rat boxes are still down and the vegetation needs cutting back. Action: The Clerk to email the landowner.
- Village sign at the top of the hill now that the work has been arranged, to remove from the list.
- Local initiatives to reduce speed to remove from the list
- Moving the 30mph signs this is moving ahead, to monitor
- Missing bollard at the treatment works to monitor
- Proposed TPO on the silver birch trees in the playing field Action: Clerk to ask the Tree Officer how long a provisional TPO lasts.
- Review of leases to put on the January agenda to discuss more fully.

139.CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

140.OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no outside bodies reports.

141.MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Use of the Village Hall car park for laying out dead pheasants after a shoot – **Action:** The Clerk to write to the land agent with a polite message to the shoot organisers reminding them that the car park is for all for parking purposes and asking that they do not lay out dead pheasants in the car park. It is immediately next to a children's play area and is therefore not appropriate.

142.DATE OF NEXT MEETING 21st January 2019.

The village hall is not available for the Annual Parish Meeting scheduled for 15th April 2019. **Agreed** to hold the APM at the Coles Garden Meeting room at 7pm 15th April 2019, followed immediately by a Parish Council meeting.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.

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