

KILMERSDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Kilmersdon Parish Council Held at the Coles Garden Meeting Room At 7.30pm on Monday 19th February 2018

PRESENT: Cllr K Lewis (Vice Chair, in the chair), Cllrs R Butt, S Gibbs and D Hudson.

ABSENT: Cllrs A Jolliffe and R Morse

ATTENDING: L Welch (Parish Clerk)

803. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Morse (Chair), Cllr Jolliffe and from Cllr Hudson for lateness.

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804. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Gibbs declared an interest in item 9 Grant Payments, as a member of the Village Day Committee.

805. MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th January 2018 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

806. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

There were no members of the public present.

807. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following payments were **agreed**.

Payee	Detail	Gross	Net	Power	Ch no
L Welch	Stamp/envelopes	44.03	44.03	LGA 1972, s111	001222
L Welch to reimburse for 1 & 1 Internet Ltd	Quarterly website fee	£14.97	£2.99	LGA 1972. S111	001223
L Welch	Salary (Jan)	£241.62	£241.62	LGA 1972, s112	001224
SALC	Subs	£145.97	£145.97	LGA 1972, s143	001225

A replacement to cheque no. 001218 made out in error to the Coles Garden Meeting Room, was agreed in the correct name of Kilmersdon Meeting Room, cheque no 001226.

The Clerk reported that she had applied for the biennial VAT refund.

The Parish Council discussed the fact that there are seven places on the Parish Council. **Agreed** to advertise the vacancy.

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808. TEMPORARY VILLAGE SHOP/ CAFE

The Notice under Article 13 was noted. The Parish Council recapped its agreement to the planning application subject to satisfactory car parking arrangements. Photos of parking when there is an event at the Village Hall showed over 8 extra cars parked in Manor Close, blocking the pavement and impeding maneuverability. If the grass-crete is used for 8 extra parking spaces for Village Hall events, then this still left the difficulty of where people will park to use the temporary café/shop when there is an event at the Village Hall.

Solutions discussed were (1) use of the sheep field which poses problems of safety in crossing the road and (2) parking around the back of the Village Hall, which had the disadvantage that the land slopes making the work potentially expensive, and the advantage that the parking would be on the same site as the Village Hall and temporary shop/café. **Agreed** that the parking has not been overcome in relation to the temporary shop/café.

Cllr Hudson arrived at 7.55pm.

The Parish Council discussed the leases which cover the Village Hall car park and playing field and which throw up a number of anomalies, which would need some funding to put right.

These leases to be reviewed and put back on the next agenda.

Raph Butt

The Land Registry entry to be checked and brought back to the next meeting.

Clerk

809. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

This item was moved to the back of the agenda.

810. INSURANCE

Resolved: to add the Spiral Garden to the insurance at a cost of £30.42pa.

Clerk

811. GRANT PAYMENTS

Resolved: (1) that the grant payment below be agreed;

Organisation	Amount	Cheque no	Purpose	Power
Kilmersdon Village Day	£50	01227	M&S Voucher prize	LGA 1972 s142

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Further, a grant of £100 was **agreed** to Mr K Hutton for the defibrillator outside the school, subject to confirmation that it is permanently accessible to the public (LGA 1972 s 142).

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Agreed also to make a commitment to pay for the replacement pads for the defibrillator on the wall of Norton Green Farm Machinery on an ongoing basis.

812. TREATMENT WORKS

Cllr Butt marked the location of the missing gate on a map which would be sent to Wessex Water and a meeting arranged if necessary.

Clerk

813 HIGHWAY MATTERS

(1) The light at the top of Jack and Jill hill is still not working.

(2) Double White lines up the hill and the moving of the 30mph signs to their original positions, with gates outside no.3 and at the bottom of the hill– Cllrs Morse and Lewis met with Cllr Mike Pullin and Chris Betty of Somerset Highways and as a result agreed to apply for 30mph signs at both ends of the village to be moved. The request for double white lines on the Hill was rejected as inappropriate and Chris Betty suggested removing the single solid white line to reduce driver frustration.

Resolved: (a) that £2,000, this being 50% of the total cost, be allocated to the new 30mph signs/gates;
(b) that the Parish Council's unanimous opposition to reducing the single solid white line be noted due to the fact that it would encourage even more overtaking on the Hill;

Ken
Lewis

(3) Feedback from Cllr Drewe regarding the possibility of being part of local initiatives to reduce speed – Cllr Butt to chase.

Raph Butt

(4) Charlton Lane – The Highways Officer had confirmed that signage alerting drivers on approaching this junction would be put up by the end of March 2018.

814. VILLAGE SIGN AT THE TOP OF THE HILL

Highways had confirmed that it would not contribute to the new signs at the entrances to the village. The Parish Council was holding £200 as a contribution towards the signs.

Resolved: To obtain two quotes for signs to the same specification as the ones at Farrington Gurney and bring back to Committee.

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815. TERMINATION OF THE CURRENT SIDS PROGRAMME BY SOMERSET CC

The Parish Council noted the information and asked to be kept informed.

816. SPEED MEASURING DEVICE AND DOCUMENTS

Given the termination of the current SIDS programme it was agreed to keep the speed measuring device in case it is needed.

817. PLAYING FIELD

(1) Rat infestation and clearance of the site – the works had still not been done despite chasing. A letter from the Parish Council to be sent to the owner.

Clerk

(2) Footpath to Silver St – works were being done that Saturday.

(3) Signage for the eight overflow parking spaces – Cllr Lewis outlined a quote for the signage and its installation.

Resolved: a. to test the spaces by parking 8 cars;
b. to send details to the Village Hall Committee for agreement to its installation on the Village Hall wall;
c. to agree the quote of £98 + VAT.

Councillors

Ken Lewis

(4) Weekly inspections of the play park – A loose stone on the spiral garden wall was noted which Cllr Lewis had removed for safety.

Agreed Nick Taylor to repair when he does the footpath work and also use some of the earth to tamp down the matting under the swings.

Ken Lewis

818. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no planning applications. Cllr Lewis gave an update on Planning training he attended that month.

The preservation of two beautiful silver birches in the playing field was discussed.

Resolved: to look into Tree Preservation Orders.

Clerk

819. GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

The report of the Clerk was noted.

820. REVIEW OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE TRANSPARENCY CODE

The report of the Clerk was noted.

821. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

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822. OUTSIDE BODIES

There was no report on outside bodies.

823. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Parish Council discussed the advantage of a Neighbourhood Plan for Kilmersdon. **Agreed** to put an article into Kilmersdon News

824. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

Review of leases (Part 2).

825. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 19th March 2018

The meeting ended at 9.30pm

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