

Minutes of the Kilmersdon Parish Council
held at Coles Garden Meeting Room
at 7.30pm on Monday 6 January, 2014



PRESENT: Councillors R Morse, D Phripp, J Hubble and D Hudson.

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk.

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1. APOLOGIES:

669 Apologies were received from Cllrs C Gibson and A Jolliffe.

2. MINUTES:

670 The Minutes and notes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2 December 2013 were approved and signed.

3. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME:

671 There was no public representation.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS:

672 There were no declarations.

5. MATTERS ARISING:

673 The Clerk said he had received a notice from MDC to say that the recycling facility at Coleford would be closed on 1 April 2014.

6. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

674 The annual precept of £9015 agreed at the previous meeting was reviewed against information received from MDC concerning the reduction of the Council Tax Benefit Grant. In view of the continued rising costs in the parish it was decided that the precept would be revised to £9240, to compensate for the reduced grant amount. Clerk to notify MDC.

675 The Clerk's Income Tax payment was approved at £170.15.
Cheque No. 1048. (LGA 1972, s112.)

676 An invoice from the Clerk for salary and expenses was approved at £689.62.
Cheque No.1049. (LGA 1972, s112).

677 An invoice from Kilmersdon Meeting Room for hire of hall was approved at £40.
Cheque No 1050 (LGA 1972, s111)

678 The Clerk updated the Council on his meeting on 20 December with Jacob Rees-Mogg, MP for B&NES, who had agreed to enquire of the Minister for HMRC whether the RTI process could be improved. The Clerk also presented printed details of his current RTI activity. Remedial action for the now corrupted tax records to be taken after receipt of comments from the MP.

7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

679 Deferred to the next meeting.

8. PLANNING MATTERS:

planning permissions applied for:

680 None received

681 It was agreed that Cllr Hubble should forward his article on parish planning to the editor of the newsletter. The draft had been circulated and finalised by email to all councillors.

planning permissions granted:

682 **Ref:** 2013/0932

Proposal: Erection of a two storey extension with dormer windows on the side (southeast) elevation, as amended by plans received on 21/06/13

Location: 2 Silver Street, Kilmersdon.

Applicant: Mr and Mrs Johnson.

683 **Ref:** 2012/2142

Proposal: Conversion of redundant farm buildings to 2 units for holiday letting purposes.

Location: Walton Barn, Walton Farm Lane, Kilmersdon.

Applicants: Mr John and Alex Jolliffe

9. PLAY EQUIPMENT:

684 Cllr Hubble reported that he had seen the new play equipment and had noted signs of minor modification. The Clerk undertook to raise the matter with the Kilmersdon Play Park Committee, to ascertain if safety had been compromised.

10. POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT SCHEME:

685 No report.

11. HIGHWAY MATTERS:

686 The Clerk said the residents of Charlton had produced an early paper on the traffic problems being experienced in that village. He was working with them to provide a comprehensive submission to the Highways Agency for consideration of possible traffic control measures throughout the parish. Chris Betty, road engineer, had indicated he would be available after 20th January to attend a site visit and offer advice.

687 Mr S Hill, SJH Services, presented an estimate of costs for clearance of the Kilmersdon streams.

Mr Hill then left the room.

688 The cost of the clearance would be in the region of £2000 and members agreed that work could commence. The Clerk undertook to inform Mr Hill.

12. **VILLAGE HALL:**
689 There being no further information to date, it was decided to await developments in respect of parking near the village hall.
13. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
690 None received.
14. **MATTERS OF REPORT & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:**
691 None.
15. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**
692 **The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 3 February 2014 at 7.30 p.m. in the Coles Garden Meeting Rooms.**
- 693 There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.35pm