

**Minutes of the Kilmersdon Parish Council**  
**held at Coles Garden Meeting Room**  
**at 7.30 pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**PRESENT:** Councillors R.Morse, S.Gibbs, D.Hudson and K.Lewis.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** No public attendees.

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**1. APOLOGIES:**

478 Apologies were received from the Clerk and R.Butt, and in the Clerk's absence, presumed to have been received from A.Jolliffe, County Cllr Harvey Siggs and Ward Cllr E. Drewe.

479 Concern was expressed regarding the lack of attendance of the County and Ward representatives. The possibility of deputy attendees to be explored.

*Action: S. Gibbs*

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

480 There were no declarations.

**3. MINUTES:**

481 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2017 were approved and signed.

Note: A correction needs to be made to the January 2017 Minutes with reference to Minute No. 438 which should have read Cllr Ken Lewis and not Ken Gibson.

**4. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME:**

482 There was no public representation.

**5. MATTERS ARISING:**

483 Password for the PC Website needs to be obtained from the Clerk so that agendas/minutes can be uploaded.

*Action: D. Hudson*

484 In the Clerk's absence the following items also need to be checked/actioned:

- has an application been sent for the Precept?
- is it possible to access a recent bank statement?
- SALC to be contacted to investigate the possible need for assistance.

*Action: R. Morse*

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**6. PLANNING MATTERS:**

*Planning permission requested:*

485 **Ref:** 2017/0397/TCA

**Proposal:**

2 No. Horse Chestnut & 1 No. Oak – minor trimming back of limbs in order to allow for access to safely construct a pipe bridge crossing of the watercourse.

1 No. Laurel & 1 No. Elder – felling of shrubby specimens. This is required in order to construct the pipe without damaging the trees. Trees located within Kilmersdon Conservation Area.

**Location:** Kilmersdon Pumping Station Church Street Kilmersdon BA3 5TA

**Applicant:** Mr Phil Luxton - Wessex Water

**Type:** Works/Felling Trees in CA

Members present had no objection and recommended approval. Mendip to be advised.

*Action: K. Lewis*

**7. FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

486 There were no claims for payment.

487 Awaiting a response from the electricity supplier regarding the square light in the Village Car Park to confirm that they are no longer charging for this.

*Action: R. Morse*

**8. HIGHWAYS MATTERS:**

488 The Chairman is still awaiting a response from Cllr Harvey Siggs about concerns expressed at previous meetings regarding cars overtaking on the solid white line on Kilmersdon Hill and possible measures to prevent this. Also to seek confirmation whether vehicles travelling below a certain speed can be legally overtaken where a solid white line is present. Concern was expressed regarding the lack of response on these matters.

*Action: R. Morse*

489 In response to the email sent to Somerset CC Highways, they have now inspected Silver Street. They have removed some brambles and say that there is no highway safety issue. They advised that Silver Street should be on a scheduled cut but the date is to be ascertained. Highways stated that they are only responsible for a 'few little spots' but we need to confirm who is responsible for which areas.

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490 Cllr Jolliffe has contacted the owner of the overgrown site. Awaiting response.

*Action: A. Jolliffe*

**9. PLAYING FIELD:**

491 The play equipment supplier has tightened up the small engine, but the broken timber at the top of its slide has yet to be resolved. A shaped metal rail is to be investigated as a possible better solution.

*Action: R. Morse*

492 The Chairman has been advised that the black rubber matting under the swings should not be cleaned with a pressure washer. Cleaning with a stiff brush could be sufficient. SJH services to be contacted to see if they can carry out the work.

*Action: R. Morse*

493 Dog fouling - the possibility of displaying some specific 'No Dogs' signs for the Playing Field and some 'Pick it Up' signs for the Village is still being investigated and costed.

*Action: S. Gibbs*

494 The PCSO is to be contacted to see what action can be taken to prevent dog fouling.

*Action: S. Gibbs*

**10. LITTER AND MAINTENANCE:**

495 Prices to be obtained for a replacement second bin in the Village Car Park.

*Action: R. Morse*

**11. FOOTPATHS:**

496 Nothing to report.

**12. PCSO REPORT:**

497 There was no report to discuss.

**13. CORRESPONDENCE:**

498 A further email received from a member of the public regarding overnight parking in the Village Car Park needs a reply. Cllr Jolliffe first needs to be contacted regarding lease arrangements.

*Action: K. Lewis*

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499 A statement regarding the proposed Village Shop needs to be drafted for the next edition of the Parish News.

*Action: K. Lewis*

**14. MATTERS OF REPORT & ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:**

500 Possible arrangements for cover that might be needed in the absence of the Clerk.

**15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

501 **The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 at 7.30 pm in Coles Garden First Floor Meeting Room.**

502 There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.55 pm.