

KILMERSDON PARISH COUNCIL

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

PRESENT: Cllr R Morse (Chair), Cllrs R Butt, S Gibbs, D Hudson.

ABSENT: Cllrs N Brand and K Lewis.

ATTENDING: Cllr E Drewe (Mendip DC).S Evans, N Evans, S Hall and Planning Policy Officer Jo Milling, for item 6 Neighbourhood Plan, a member of Planning Sphere and local resident for item 12 Planning Applications, L Close (Parish Clerk).

71.APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Brand and Lewis and from County Councillor Mike Pullin.

72.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

73.VACANCY

There were no applicants for co-option at this stage.

74.MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16th July 2018 were **agreed** as a true record and signed by the Chair.

75.PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

2018/1985/FUL Construction of new access, a new stone wall to replace the existing closed board timber fence adjacent to the property and associated works, 3 Kilmersdon Hill – A member of Planning Sphere accompanied the co-applicant to outline the history of the planning application and the reason for the positioning of the new access. They emphasised the safety aspect of moving the access to improve the visibility splay and gave details of a traffic speed survey. The Chair thanked them for attending.

76.NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Chair welcomed Planning Policy Officer, Jo Milling and the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group. Sally was thanked for a very succinct and helpful overview of the Neighbourhood Plan and there was a discussion on the benefits, the threats, the volume of work and the funding. An additional housing requirement might come to Kilmersdon and already parcels of land have been highlighted for potential development.

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Resolved: that (1) the Parish Council supports the formulation of a Neighbourhood Plan; (2) Cllr Hudson joins the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group; (3) that the 15th October Parish Council meeting starts at 7.30pm with the launch of the Neighbourhood Plan (half an hour); and (4) Sally to write an article for Kilmersdon Parish News urging residents to attend the launch and join the Steering Group.

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Sally Evans

Item 12 Planning applications was moved up the agenda.

77. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2018/1985/FUL Construction of new access, a new stone wall to replace the existing closed board timber fence adjacent to the property and associated works, 3 Kilmersdon Hill – The Parish Council gave conditional support to the application subject to (1) the 30mph sign being moved to the railway bridge and (2) subject to Highway's approval. Without these first two conditions being met the Parish Council would not support the application due to the danger it poses with the current combination of its insufficient visibility splay and the speed of traffic. (3) because it is a private household the internal lay-by should be reduced to mitigate the impact on the field. The Parish Council supported the element relating to the new stone wall.

2018/2243/TCA Works to tree within a conservation area – Conifer – fell – The Parish Council deferred to the Tree Officer's view.

2018/2018/1949/FUL Raising of ground level within the north-west corner of St Benedict's Catholic Primary School playing field by approximately 400mm to provide suitable cover and protection to proposed Wessex Water

assets, to be constructed under Permitted Development Rights.

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profiling to be sympathetically graded in order to blend into the field. Playing Field At St Benedicts Rc Primary School Charlton Lane – The Parish Council had no objections.

Cllr Drewe gave an overview of Mendip DC and raised the 300 homes which might be built opposite the White Post. He discussed the new regulations which allow developments of under 10 houses to not include affordable housing.

78.FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following payments were **agreed**.

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Payee	Detail	Gross	Net	Power	Ch no
1&1 Internet Ltd refunded to L Welch	Quarterly website fee	£17.96	£14.97	LGA 1972, s111	00125 1
SJH Services	Grass cutting and strimming	£180.00	£180.00	LGA 1972, s 143	00125 2
L Welch	Salary (July)	£241.42	£241.42	LGA 1972, s112	00125 3
ATP Jolliffe	Playing field lease	£1.00	£1.00	LGA 1972, s111	00125 4
L Welch	Salary (Aug)	£241.42	£241.42	LGA 1972, s112	01255
SPFA	Annual playing field check	£80.00	£80.00	LGA 1972, s111	01256
Greensward	Works to youth shelter	£734.75	£612.29	LGA 1972, s 143	01257
Big Wood Play.com Ltd	Repairs to play equipment	£640.00	£640.00	LGA 1972, s 143	01258
J Reynolds (Western) Ltd	Jubilee bench repairs	£473.59	£394.66	LGA 1972, s 143	01259
SJH Services	Grass cutting and strimming	£290.00	£290.00	LGA 1972, s 143	01260
K Hutton	Grant for defib maintenance	£50.00	£50.00	LGA 1972, S142	01261

79. REQUEST FOR FUNDING

The Parish Council considered a request for funding of maintenance and training of the defibrillator.

Resolved: To meet 50% of the costs in the amount of £50.

80. INSURANCE

It was agreed to go out to tender on insurance in preparation for the end of the three year agreement on 31/3/19.

Clerk

81. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Verges, trees and shrubs - **Agreed** to contact Mendip DC who own the hedge outside 4 Silver St for it to be cut back on all sides and to report weeds on pavement up the hill and around the sheep field to Somerset CC.

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82. PLAYING FIELD

(1) Signage for the eight overflow parking spaces – this had been
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installed at a cost of £369.60 and was making a difference in the car park.

- (2) Quote for infill of top soil beneath the swing seat – Three quotes for different types of solutions were noted.

Agreed that the Clerk obtains a quote for wet pour as a final comparison.

- (3) Annual inspection of the play park – **agreed** to book ROSPA in June 2019 at a cost of £66.50 plus VAT for up to five play items with over five being an additional £3.50 per item

- (4) Damage to the chain bridge – has been resolved by Big Wood Play Systems.

- (5) Graffiti to the youth shelter – has been rectified by Greensward at a cost of £612.29 plus VAT, which includes a product to make graffiti easier to remove.

- (6) From the weekly inspections – the football posts are loose and there are overhanging branches over the zip wire. **Agreed** to seek a quote from Greensward to rectify these items.

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83. PLANNING APPEAL

2017/1558/VRC Application to remove conditions 2 (holiday let), 3 (operation by owner/ occupier Batch Farm), (Approval of external materials), (approval of joinery), (approval of external attachments), (non occupation until access as approved) and remove condition (parking and turning arrangements) from application 084623/011 Creamery 1-3 Batch Farm Ammerdown Bridge To Hatchet Hill - noted.

84. CCTV FOR THE VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

Research and costings in the region of £2000-£2,500 were noted. **Agreed** to not proceed at this point.

85. FORWARD PLANNING

Village sign at the top of the hill – costs of £835 per sign plus installation were noted. £200 had been received from the Village Day Committee. **Agreed** to obtain installation costs, to consider the location of the sign in greater detail and bring back to the next meeting.

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86. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

87. OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no reports from Outside Bodies.

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88. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Neighbourhood Plan.

89. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 15th October

90. It was agreed to exclude the press and public under s.1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 on the grounds that the publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

91. REVIEW OF LEASES

The Parish Council received a request for a breakdown of the legal costs from the Landlord which it was **agreed** to supply. If agreed by the landlord, the solicitor would then ask for a formal cost undertaking, accepting that this would not legally bind the Parish Council to accept the results of the review of leases.

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The meeting ended at 9.30pm

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