YOU ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE MEETING OF KILMERSDON PARISH COUNCIL AT THE COLES GARDEN MEETING ROOM ON MONDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7.30PM

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES To receive apologies for absence
- 2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** To note any members' interests
- MINUTES To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st January 2019. (Pages 1-4)
- 4. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME (max 15 mins).
- 5. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE
- 6. FINANCIAL MATTERS To approve expenditure as follows

Payee	Detail	Gross	Net	Power	Ch no
K Lewis	2x keys cut playing field	£10.00	£8.34	LGA 1972 s.112	001282
Greensward	Pruning above the zip wire	£234.00	£195.00	LGA 1972, s 112	001283
L Close	Reimburse 1&1 quarterly website fee	£17.96	£14.97	LGA 1972 s.143	001284
L Close	Salary (Jan)	£241.42	£241.42	LGA 1972 s.143	001285
Kilmersdon Meeting Room	Neighbourho od Plan meeting room hire	£20.00	£20.00	LGA 1972 s133	001286
Kilmersdon Meeting Room	PC meeting room hire	£61.00	£61.00	LGA 1972 s 133	001287
L B Planning	Neighbourho od Plan Consultant	£50.00	£50.00	LGA 1972 s.143	001288

- 7. ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE FIXED ASSET REGISTER (Page 5)
- 8. ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE INSURANCE SCHEDULE (Pages 6-8)
- 9. ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE RISK ASSESSMENT (Pages 9-10)
- 10. ANNUAL REVIEW OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE TRANSPARENCY CODE (Pages 11-15)

11. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Renovation of the fingerpost at Church Square

The following items have been reported to Highways

- · Pot holes in the lay by at the top of the hill
- Charlton Lane rubbish in the road.
- B3139 after Charlton Lane and before the Red House Farm on the left hand side as you
 travel towards the White Post roundabout there is an overhanging branch which forces
 high vehicles out into the centre of the highway

12. PLAYING FIELD

- Damage to a seat of a picnic bench, possible rot underneath
- The aerial cableway the quarterly Inspection recommends replacing the missing finger
 plates to the jockey, dismantling and checking the internal brake and replacing parts if
 necessary and adjusting the stop spring on the cable.
- The junior climber the quarterly Inspection recommends replacing all rotten timbers.
- The trim trail the quarterly inspection recommends removing the additional timbers and replacing rotten timbers and covering the exposed concrete.
- Quote from Greensward for the monthly litter picking of the field and car park £45 pcm

13. PLANNING APPLICATIONS (CIIr Butt)

- 2019/0083/HSE Erection of a conservatory on south elevation and curtilage Summerhouse, The Hayes School Lane
- 2019/0154/TCA Works to trees in a conservation area:- H1 Conifer hedgerow Remove to ground level. T1 and T2 - Willows - Fell.The Limes Ames Lane
- 2019/0224/TCA Works to trees in a conservation area T1 Poplar remove first 7main limbs. T2 Poplar fell. T3 Poplar remove large limbs. T4 Poplar remove first 4 main limbs to a height of approx 30ft. T5 Poplar remove first 4 main limbs to a height of approx 20ft. 4 Hoares Lane
- 14. REVIEW OF LEASES
- 15. CORRESPONDENCE
- 16. OUTSIDE BODIES
- 17. ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE SOMERSET WOOD IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR To receive any feedback from the article in Kilmersdon Parish News
- 18. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING
- 19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING 18th March 2019. To note that in an election year the May Parish Council meeting should be held within 14 days of the election (2nd May). Accordingly, to consider changing the date of the May Parish Council meeting to one of the following Weds 8th May, Thurs 9th May, Tues 14th May, Weds 15th May.

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Lesley Close Parish Clerk 11th February 2019

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To: Cllrs N Brand, R Butt, S Gibbs, D Hudson, K Lewis (Vice Chair), R Morse (Chair)

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

Minutes of the Meeting of Kilmersdon Parish Council Held at the Coles Garden Meeting Room At 7.30pm on Monday 21st January 2019

PRESENT:

Cllr K Lewis (Vice Chair, in the chair), Cllrs N Brand, R Butt, D

Hudson, S Gibbs.

ABSENT:

Cllr R Morse

ATTENDING:

L Close (Parish Clerk).

143. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Morse.

144. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Cllr Butt declared an interest in item 12 Planning application no 2018/3018/HSE as the applicant.
- Cllr Lewis declared an interest in the same planning application as a neighbour.

145. MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th December 2018 were **agreed** as a true record and signed by the Vice Chair.

146. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

There were no comments from the public.

147. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Hudson reported on two meetings and a good team established to undertake the work. An article was to go into Kilmersdon Parish News and is on the website. Neighbourhood Plan documents were being stored on One Box, which would be shared with Councilors. The current map of green space infrastructure was to be examined by the working group.

Agreed to fund £50 in expenses for the Rode Consultant to visit the Kilmersdon Neighbourhood Plan Group. **Action – the Clerk to inform Sally Evans.**

148. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following payment was agreed.

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Payee	Detail	Gross	Net	Power	Ch no
L Close	Salary (Dec)	£241.42	£241.42	LGA 1972 s.143	001280
Appleton Hardscape	Surfacing under the basket swing	£2,124.00	£1,770	LGA 1972 S112	001281

149. BUDGET 2019/20

The Parish Council discussed adding planned expenditure to help keep the village tidy. Action – the Clerk to seek a quote from Greensward for monthly litterpick of the car park and playing field. Agreed that the needle found in the play area and kicked under the hedge be removed by Greensward.

Resolved: that the 2019/20 budget be agreed as circulated.

150. PRECEPT 2019/20

Resolved: that the precept be agreed as £14,323 which equates to £60.97 for a band D property, with a Kilmersdon tax base of 234.91.

151. ARTICLE ON THE PRECEPT

Resolved: that with the addition of the precept / band D figure, the article be agreed.

152. HIGHWAY MATTERS

30mph sign – It was agreed to write to the planning authority stating that it was the Parish Council's understanding that permission for planning application 2018/2799/HSE at 3 Kilmersdon was conditional on the moving of the 30mph sign. The entrance onto the current 60mph highways had now been constructed and was in use, posing a huge danger to all.

Village sign – It was confirmed that the village sign would go on the Somerset CC insurance, not the Parish Council.

153. PLAYING FIELD

- Damage to a seat of a picnic bench, possible rot underneath a quote is awaited from Nick Taylor.
- The footpath at the playing field is overgrown with weeds. The landowner has looked at it and confirmed it would go on a schedule shortly.
- Dead pheasants in the playing field car park the land agent confirmed that he had raised this with the shooting tenants.
- The aerial cableway the quarterly inspection recommends replacing the missing finger plates to the jockey, dismantling and checking the internal brake and replacing parts if necessary and adjusting the stop Minutes are draft until approved at the next meeting.

spring on the cable. Action – Clerk to chase the quote from Big Wood Play Systems

- The junior climber the quarterly inspection recommends replacing all rotten timbers. Action – Clerk to chase the quote from Big Wood Play Systems
- The trim trail the quarterly inspection recommends removing the additional timbers and replacing rotten timbers and covering the exposed concrete. Action – Clerk to chase the quote from Big Wood Play Systems

154. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(1) 2018/3018/HSE Loft conversion, creation of a window in the north east elevation, insertion of 6 rooflights and relocation of existing photovoltaic panel, 1 Manor Close. **Agreed** to refer the planning authority to the North Somerset Parking Standards Nov 2013 and Mendip District Local Plan Part1: Strategy and Policies 2006 - 2029.

(2) 2019/0066/TCA T1 Maple – fell. T2 Maple – fell T3 Magnolia – fell. T4 Maple – pruning reduction of canopy to reduce the impact of crown. Prune back from growth extremities by a maximum of 2m to live growth points, 33 Church Sq. **Agreed** to rely on the Tree Officer's expertise.

155. REVIEW OF LEASES

The Parish Council received correspondence from the landowner on the review of leases. **Agreed** that (1) the Parish Council has no authority to speak on behalf of the Village Hall Committee; (2) without the advice of a solicitor the Parish Council is not in a position to comment on the correspondence.

156. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

157. OUTSIDE BODIES

There were no outside bodies reports.

158. ONGOING MAINTENANCE OF THE SOMERSET WOOD IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE FIRST WORLD WAR

The Parish Council received correspondence from Cheddon Fitzpaine and West Monkton parishes regarding maintenance of a Somerset Wood in memory of those who lost their lives in the First World War. **Agreed** to circulate the information via Kilmersdon Parish News.

159. MATTERS OF REPORT AND ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Lay by at the top of the hill Action the Clerk to report the deep potholes
- · Quote from Nick Taylor for the bench

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- Charlton Lane rubbish in the road. Action Clerk to report this as one of the worst areas for litter.
- B3139 after Charlton Lane and before the Red House Farm on the left hand side as you travel towards the White Post roundabout – there is an overhanging branch which forces high vehicles out into the centre of the highway. Action – Clerk to report to Somerset CC.
- **160. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** 18TH February 2019.

The meeting ended at 9.00pm.

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Signed:

Fixed Asset List at 28/1/19

Kilmersdon Parish Council

Ref no	Description	Location	Date acquired	Value	Insurance value
1	1 Kilmersdon Road signs (2)	B3139	no record	£730	£730
2	2 Charlton Road signs (2)	B3139	no record	£730	£730
3	3 Double swings	Playing field	2002	£1,888	£1,888
4	Buzy Tower	Playing field	2013	£1	£10,910
5	5 Youth Shelter	Playing field	2002	£3,980	
9	6 Sports surfaces	Playing field	2004	£3,998	£3,998
7	Jubilee bench	Coles Garden	2012	£358	£358
8	8 Bench	Kilmersdon Hill	no record	£1	E358
6	9 Bench	Jack and Jill hill	no record	13	£358
10	10 Zipwire	Playing field	2013	13	. £3,700
11	Grassmat	Playing field	2013	F1	E3,500
12	12 Train with slide	Playing field	2013	13	£2,700
13	13 Matting	Playing field	2013	£1	£1,200
14	14 Trim trail	Playing field	2013	13	E3,600
15	15 Goalposts	Playing field	2013	13	. E550
16	Spiral garden	Playing field	2014	13	. £12,961
17	17 Birds nest swing	Playing field	2013	T J	£875
18	18 See saw	Playing field	2013	£1	0093
19	$\begin{array}{c} 19 \\ \text{and F secure software} \end{array}$	Clerk's home	2017	£93	£653
20	20 OKI Scanner/printer	Clerk's home	2017	0/13	E170
21	Heartsafe AED Locator with a value of £2,300	Wall of Norton Garden Machinery	2018	13	. £2,300
22	22 Safety surfacing under the basket swing	Playing field	2019	£1,770	£1,770
	Total value			£14.290.00	£57.889.00

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KILMERSDON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Review of the Insurance Schedule 2019

The Parish Council insurance is with Ecclesiastical via Came and Company and expires 31 May 2019. I understand this is year 3 of a 3 year agreement. I would highlight the following points:

(1) Sums insured

I have checked the sums insured against our fixed asset register.

Last year we increased the Insurance Schedule play area surfacing to a total of £10,000. In 2019 we had new surface under the basket swing (valued at £1,770). The fixed asset shows surfaces totalling £10,468, I would suggest therefore that it is not necessary to increase the insurance. As a rough indicator, I am told that play area surfacing is usually about a quarter of the cost of the equipment.

The Insurance Schedule specifies £12,547.82 for street furniture. Assuming that street furniture consists of benches, youth shelter and road signs, then it appears that insurance is adequate, the total cost of such items on the fixed asset register coming to £6,156.

The Insurance Schedule specifies £29,626.28 for play equipment. The fixed asset register shows play equipment (including goalposts) totalling £24,823. So insurance cover is adequate.

There is no insurance for the garage.

There is an 'all risks' sum of £5,000 on the insurance schedule.

(2) Fidelity Guarantee

As a minimum this figure should equate to half the year's precept plus cash balances in the bank. I calculate the Fidelity Guarantee therefore should be at least £27,002, (being £6,315, plus balances in the bank, which at 31st March 2018 were £20,687)

The limit of indemnity on the Insurance Schedule of £150,000 is therefore adequate cover.

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(3) Loss of earnings

The loss of earnings cover in the event of business interruption is broken down into two elements (1) actual lost income which is a standard figure of £10,000; and (2) unavoidable loss should we no longer be able to operate in our current manner. This is a standard figure of £10,000.

(4) Employers' Liability

The limit of indemnity is £10 million.

(5) Public Liability

The limit of liability is £10 million.

Last year we asked the question about volunteers and were told: volunteers, Councillors and employees undertaking activities on behalf of the Parish Council, such as litter picking, are covered automatically by the policy we arrange under the Employers' and Public Liability sections where a £10 million limit of indemnity applies under both sections.

If aged over 16 and under 85 they are also covered by the Person Accident section where there is a sum payable of £50,000 in the event of an accident causing death, loss of limbs or sights or permanent total disablement. A £250 weekly benefit is payable for a maximum period of 2 years but should the accident prevent the individual from pursuing their usual occupation.

(6) Personal Accident

Councillors and employees are covered for personal accident to the limit of £50,000. There is no reference to volunteers in the Schedule.

(7) Claims during the year

There have been no claims in the past year.

(8) Additions this year

- With the agreement of the Parish Council we added the spiral garden to the insurance schedule in the amount of £15,000. (valued at £12,961).
- We also added the Parish Council laptop and printer/scanner to the insurance schedule (valued at £823)

- We added the defibrillator (valued at £2,300)
- In 2017 we increased safety surfacing to £10,000. The new safety surfacing under the basket swing (valued at £1,770) was added to the Fixed Asset register in January 2019. The total value of safety surfaces on the Fixed Asset register is £10,468.

(9) Other items to note

Interestingly we are insured for three hirings of premises per year for private social events, up to £2,000 per event. This excludes bouncy castles, fly walls, bungees and similar, catered food, bonfires and fireworks, organised sports and any hazardous activity.

Goods in transit are not insured.

The annual premium was £668.23 in 2018 (Came and Company), £587.88 in 2017 (Came and Company), compared with £563.49 in 2016 (Came and Company) and £568.50 in 2015 (Broker Network).

(10) For decision

In anticipation of the end of the three year insurance period and for budgeting purposes, we went out to tender in 2018, with the lowest tender being Zurich who quoted £539.52 for a three year agreement, compared with Came and Company who suggested budgeting £695 for insurance. To consider agreeing the Zurich quote.

Lesley Close

28th January 2019

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		Kisk Assessment and Management Kilmersdon Parish Council			
SK		Assessment Date: 28 01 19	Revie	Review Date: February	bruary 2019
People at risk	Underlying causes	Our Controls	Severity	Probabil ity	
Councillors, Clerk, public	Any event which might cause major disruption to the continuity and delivery of council business	Parish Business Continuity Plan in place. Online back up is installed via dropbox, which continually updates. Records can be instantly retrieved by all Councillors via shared links.	Medium	Low	
Councillors, Clerk, public	The extent to which the financial security is affected by internal and external events	Accounts and budgets are prepared and submitted by the Clerk for scrutiny and approval by the Parish Council. Internal audit conducts independent verification. Insurance covers fidelity and property risks. Annual review of the insurance schedule ensures that current levels are evaluated. The power by which the Council spends is recorded next to each item of expenditure in the minutes.	Medium	Low	Annual review of the insurance schedule - Clerk – Feb 2019
	All banks have taken measures to reduce their risks, but the risk remains	The Council to hold its funds in secure holdings. The Nat West 'Statement of principles' is aimed at continued, but safer lending combined with support for small businesses which is subject to advance notification to the bank of impending crises. We are only covered for £75,000 per bank should a bank go under – we should be aware of banks which are the same bank but different names eg Tesco bank is not a bank in its own right but is part of another bank; The low risk banks are those which operate solely in the UK (eg.Santander whilst offering higher interest rates is based in Europe)	High	Medium	
Councillors, Clerk, public		There is no petty cash. Postage and stationery is purchased by the Clerk, recorded with receipts in a book which is signed and paid at Parish Council. Payments & Receipts Schedule examined by Parish Council each month.	Medium	Low	
		An effective and controlled budget process is maintained. The budget is reviewed in October to provide early warning of impending difficulties. Calculation of the precept against the total budget includes 6 months net expenditure as a cash reserve.	Medium	Low	
		Two Members to sign all cheques and initial invoices as seen. Payments & Receipts Schedule examined by DC good month.	Low	Low	

						Clerk - Feb
		Low	Low	Low	Medium	Low
		Low	Low	Low	High	Low
Monthly direct debit payments signed off by two Councillors		All actions are minuted. A disciplinary process is in place. A code of conduct is in place. The Financial Regulations outline our precurement procedures. Our actions are held to account through internal audit.	Council matters are distributed by newsletter, reporting the range of council business. The website is updated regularly with the latest parish council news. The annual parish meeting attracts local people.	Clerk is trainined in all aspects of council business and receives supplementary updates via the professional bodies of NALC and SLCC.	Play equipment is inspected annually. In September 2017 it was agreed to have three quarterly inspections via GB Sports and Leisure and an annual inspection by ROSPA. In addition weekly checks were set up in 2018, undertaken by volunteers, which helps give advance notice of play area damage Parish Council to consider all risks identified at the play area in a timely way according to their risk level.	All records are backed up via Dropbox. Ancient archives are held at the Somerset Archives Office. Business Continuity Plan in place.
			Failure to attract enough councillors to serve on the council	Failure to fulfil any dutry which has adverse effects on the council	Lack of adequate risk assessment and action at the play area by the village hall	Natural disaster resulting in Parish Council records being lost
		Council	Council	Council	Public and young people in particular	Council
- Loss of monies - Reputation	-	Not achieving desired efficiencies and service improvements	Insufficient Councillors to carry out the business and operations	Failure of the Clerk in the performance of duties	Death or serious injury from negligence or failure Failure to adequately safeguard against significant injury or death at the play area	Fire/ flood - loss of records

Assessor's signature:

Date:

Clerk's signature: CJCLOCA & Date: 1/2/19

Review of Compliance with the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities

Information title	Information which should be published	2017/18	2018/19 - progress to date
All items of expenditure over £100	Annual publication no later than 1 July. Publish details of each individual item of expenditure.	Published on website	
	Copies of all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers, receipts and other related documents do not need to be published but should remain available for inspection.	Available to view	
	For each individual piece of expenditure the following should be published: a. Date the	Published on website	
	expenditure was incurred. b. Summary of the purpose of the expenditure c. Amount d. VAT that cannot be		

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	of accounts according to		
	the format included in the Annual Return form. It		
	should be accompanied by:		
	a. A copy of the bank		
	reconciliation for the		
	relevant financial		
	year. b. An explanation of		
	variances ie. More		
	than 10-15% in the		
	statement of		
	accounts for the		
	relevant year and		
	c. All explanation of		
	any dillerences between 'halances		
	carried forward' and		
	total cash and short		
	term investments', if		
	applicable.		
Annual governance	Annual publication no later	Published on	
Statement	Publish signed annual	Website	
	governance statement		
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	included in the Annual Return form.		
	Explain any negative responses to governance statements, including how any weaknesses will be addressed.	Not applicable	
Internal audit report	Annual publication no later than 1 July. Publish signed internal audit report according to the format in the Annual Return form.	Published	
	Explain any negative responses to the internal controls objectives, including how any weaknesses will be addressed.	Not applicable	
	Explain any 'not covered' responses to internal control objectives.	Not applicable	
List of councillor or member	Annual publication of councillor or member	Published on website	All details listed here https://kilmersdonpc.wordpress.com/about/
responsibilities	responsibilities no later than 1 July, including: a. Names of all councillors or		
	members		

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	Land adjacent to Kilmersdon Village Hall. 1.3 acres.	Playing field and car park adjacent to the Village Hall, High St, Kilmersdon BA3 5TD.	Leasehold 15/5/1991. 21 year lease. £1 pa Playing field/ play park/ car park Garage No. 4 Kilmersdon Rental 14/11/12 £41.67 net pa Storage
	Description	Location	Owner/custodian Date of acquisition Cost of acquisition Present use Location Owner/custodian Date of acquisition Cost of acquisition Present use
	Published on website		
b. Committee or board membership and function (if Chairman or Vice Chairman) c. Representation on external local public bodies (if nominated to represent the authority or board).	Annual publication no later than 1 July. Publish details of all land	and building assets, either in its full asset and liabilities register or as an edited version. The following information must be published:	a. Description (including size/acreage) b. Location (address or description of location c. Owner/custodian d. Date of acquisition (if known) e. Cost of acquisition (or proxy value) f. Present use
	Location of public land and building assets		

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To Parish Council	18/2/19
Next Review:	Feb 2020