

Kilmersdon Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Weds 18th October 2023 at 7.30 pm

(These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting)

In Attendance: Councillors Lucas, Cook, Ham, 1 members of the public, clerk.

<p>Apologies – Cllrs Hudson, Hutton & Clayton</p>	
<p><u>Chair’s welcome and introduction</u> Cllr Ham, standing in as Vice Chair, welcomed all to the meeting. There was a discussion about dates for meetings in 2024, Clerk to email Cllr Hudson to ask about more convenient days/ dates.</p>	
<p><u>Declarations of Interest by Councillors in items on the Agenda</u> None.</p>	
<p><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting</u> The minutes of September 2023 meeting were agreed as a correct record.</p>	
<p><u>Police & Crime</u> There have been newsletters for the Avon & Somerset PCC circulated.</p>	
<p><u>Public Forum</u> A local resident talked about the campaign opposing the Persimmon Fossefield housing development, which could build up to 180 new houses. There was a discussion about how this land had been designated as potentially for housing in 2014. There was a successful judicial review challenging a planning application on this site (& others) in 2022, but the plans were resubmitted within months. Reference was made to national planning guidance & the principle that “Growth of an area should be proportionate to size & infrastructure”. It was felt that this guidance was not being adhered to. Other local parish & town councils who are affected are being contacted by the campaign group. # There has been a request for the Parish Council to contribute to a collection for a local resident. The collection is to purchase a gift to recognise her local voluntary work. It was agreed that while the Parish Council contributing to an individual collection is not appropriate individual councillors would probably make donations. # There was a request to site a metal bench under a tree in the recreation ground. This was agreed in principle, but there should be a discussion about the material, whether wood may give a better appearance. # There was a request to place a tree in the recreation ground, to commemorate the recent coronation. Again, agree in principle, but there should be a discussion about the precise location.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p><u>Councillors items</u> # There is a vacancy on the Parish Council. This needs to be advertised. Clerk to contact the Parish News to ask about deadlines for copy & adverts. # There was a discussion about advertising activities & events in the village & “A” boards were suggested. Clerk to look at prices. # Another contractor should be identified to paint the lines on the village hall car park, as the</p>	<p>Clerk Clerk</p>

current work that is unfinished is also not up to standard.
 # There was a discussion about digital speed monitors, if one could be sited at the bottom of the hill & how much this would cost. Agreed that the clerk would investigate prices.

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District Councillor’s report

Cllr Robbins circulated a generic report from SCC.

Clerk

Finance

The financial report for October was approved.
 # The clerk updated councillors as to progress with setting up online banking. Currently NatWest are being very difficult in enabling this. A complaint has been made.
 # Following payments were approved:

Payee	Detail	Gross	VAT	Budget Heading:
R.Moss	Salary& office expenses	£373.13		Salary & office expenses
Somerset Forge	Finger Post repair	£576	£96.00	Finger Posts
LSJ Gardening Services	Sept 2023	£198.33		Playing Fields
SALC	Annual Subs	£165.28		Subscriptions

Meetings:

On Weds 18th Oct there is a meeting of the Local Community Network – time & venue tbc. This is today so is clashing with the parish council meeting

Clerk

Planning Applications Received –

a) Planning applications received

None received

b) Planning applications (last 3 months)

Application			KPC	SCC decision
2022/0614/OUT	Land South Of Fossefield Road, Fosse Way, Stratton On The Fosse	Application for Outline Planning Permission for erection of up to 180 dwellings	Oppose	registered
2023/1192/FUL	Move The Mind, Hoares Lane, Babington BA11 3RP	Erection of new stables next to existing barn	Oppose	registered
2023/1134/VRC	Site West Of Magdapur Fosseyway South Midsomer Norton	Vary condition 2021/1509/FUL (Erection of 2no. detached dwellinghouses)	Oppose	registered

Reports

a) Clerks report –

Phil Preen has been approached to see if could provide a paid service maintaining the website.

Applications for grant funding will be sought, with a £500 maximum amount. There was a discussion about where best to advertise, the notice board, the Parish magazine & the website were suggested.

Date of next meeting:

The next meeting will be Weds 15th November 2023 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the meeting ended at 9.42 p.m.

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The next full meeting of Kilmersdon Parish Council will be held on Weds 15th November 2023

If parishioners would like something to be included on the agenda, please notify a councillor or the Clerk by Friday 3rd November. You can also raise matters in the Public Forum but, depending on the subject, full discussion may have to be left to the following meeting.

Signed 15 November 2023