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**Chairman: Councillor Mr. T Horry**

**Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2013 at Kewstoke Village Hall. The Meeting commenced at 7-20pm**

**Present**, Councillors :T Horry ( Chairman) K. Harper, R Adams, C Thomas, R Pearson,  
G Vearncombe, D Jolley, T Morris and Cllr C Bates  
Unitary Member I Porter.  
1 member of the public

**Public Participation (15 minutes)**

**Agenda item 5 was taken in Public Participation**

The Chairman welcomed John Pratt and Mark Newman from Crossville Motor Company  
Mr Pratt gave an overview of the services supplied to Sand Bay and Kewstoke and expresses that all had gone better than expected. The winter service and Sunday service had been reasonably well used. The Holiday Centre which forms the bulk of the passenger numbers was now virtually all year round and that had helped.

He announced that First Bus were withdrawing from the route on July the 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 which should alleviate the traffic problems experienced.

He was keen to try and see if there were issues that customers or potential users wanted particularly relating to early mornings or evening services.

Another questionnaire would be considered after July to go into a newsletter, the contents to be reviewed at a latter date. They would continue with their loyalty fares schemes to try and promote more bus travel however it has to be realistic.

He gave the example of the bus to Worle which they tried for three months and was unused. His view was that core bus use was between 8am and 6pm.

The Chairman thanked both Crossville representatives for coming and wished them well.

**1. Opening of the Meeting**

The meeting opened at 7-45pm

**2. Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs J MacDonald (Vice Chairman) N Whyte  
Liaison Officer Sue Ivermee  
Police - PSCO Nicola Mitchell

**3, Declarations of Interests**

None

**4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 7th 2013.**

These were adopted with Cllr Tony Morris name added to the Members present.

**4a. Police Report PACT**

No Presence.

## **5. Visit of Crossville Motor Services**

Taken in Public Participation.

## **6. Matters Arising as a Matter of Report**

None not agenda items

### **a. Public Participation not agenda items-**

None

### **b. Highway Issues**

#### **Flooding Outside Village Hall**

No movement by NSDC yet

#### **Water Run Lower Norton Lane**

Bristol Water are investigating this issue

#### **Possible Sewage Run Kewstoke Road**

This proved to be a spring which is in the area and tests by NSDC Environment Department have conformed it is only water.

#### **Monks Hill Hedgerow**

This has been cut back

There was concern by Councillors about the growth of the hedgerows on Monks Hill itself.

Cllr Porter would take this up with highways.

#### **Brambles Crookes Lane**

A section has been cut back but there is some more further on near Meadow View site.

Clerk will action

#### **Monks Hill Mirror**

This has been replaced and a standby mirror will be ordered

### **c. Other Issue**

#### **Village Green Shrubbery**

The Clerk produced some photographs of the shrubbery itself and the cut backs and residue branches etc., dumped on the green by (assumed) residents who live close by.

A quote of £500 to put the site in order was accepted and then approximately £200 per year to maintain. The work will be done in the autumn.

In relation to the debris and green waste this would be collected up in the autumn and from then on a far harder line will be taken if the dumping occurs again.

#### **Tuesday Club request for rail on seafront.**

The Tuesday Club have confirmed it was not their request so the matter has been left.

### **Allotments**

There was concern that three allotment holders were not attending their allotments and the ground was being overgrown by weeds. The Clerk will diplomatically in the first instance approach the three holders to see if there are issues to be resolved.

## **7. Toilets**

The Chairman gave an update of the present situation.

1. The Council has been in negotiations with Healthmatic about a future contract and this is independent of anything happening in WSM.
2. The Finance Working group has met and are considering all options available to the Parish which involves a possible concession, pay as you enter unisex toilets, planned building changes and the costs involved, grant aid and the chances of success in that field and other opportunities such as car park charges etc.

It was unanimously agreed after a discussion about the issues, to allow the Working Group to continue its investigations. Drawings are being produced and a Business Plan is being prepared. This will be discussed by the Working Group and then a proposal will come to Council in due course before submitting to NSDC.

## **8. Interest Payments**

The Clerk had progressed the issue and had obtained saving deposit figures from two banks and two Building Societies. The investigations had also raised some issues about our present banking procedures that need attention and the Clerk is actively changing them in conjunction with some Members.

A final decision about investments will be made at the July Meeting

## **9. Correspondence**

Southern Area Committee Papers

Noted

## **10. Board-walk**

The condition of some of the timbers in the board-walk is giving cause for concern. The Clerk produced some photos as examples. The Clerk and contractor A Ham had visited the site and examined in detail some of the timber . Some remedial work will be done immediately for safety reasons.

It was decided to seek a second opinion and Cllr Morris will visit with the Clerk and contractor Ham A report will come back to Council as soon as possible.

## **11. Financial Update:**

### **11a Cheques for Approval**

Clerks Salary	£ 216.25
Inland Revenue	£ 54.00
Clerks Expenses	£ 54.17
B Thorne	£ 289.98
S Ryall (Beach Warden)	£ 169.00
A Ham	£2,313.00

Unanimously approved

## **12. Newsletter**

Printed and ready to be delivered.

## **13. Councillors Reports**

**Cllr I Porter** raised the issue of boundary changes for the Kewstoke Ward. On the basis of the agreed numbers of 3,500 per ward the Kewstoke ward was short of between 1200 and 1500 voters. Clerk will

write to the Review Board with some preferred options.

**Cllr Bates** raised the issue of the splay needing cutting back at the junction of Crookes Lane and Beach Road. Clerk will investigate and action.

**Cllr Harper** raised the issue of stones coming away from the wall at the Sand Road/Beach Road junction on the seawall side. This will be an Environment Agency issue to repair  
Clerk will report.

**14. Date of next Meeting Monday July 1st 2013**  
**Meeting closed at 9-30pm**