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Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council held on Tuesday 7th May 2013 at Kewstoke Village Hall. The Meeting commenced at 7-20pm

Present, Councillors :T Horry (Chairman) J MacDonald (Vice Chairman) K. Harper, R Adams, C Thomas, R Pearson, G Vearncombe, D Jolley, N Whyte
Liaison Officer Sue Ivermee
Press. Bethan Evans

Public Participation (15 minutes)
None

1.Opening of the Meeting
The meeting opened at 7-23pm

2. Apologies for Absence
Cllr C Bates,
Unitary Member I Porter.
Police - PSCO Nicola Mitchell

3, Declarations of Interests
None

4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on April 2nd 2013.
These were adopted with one minor spelling change

4a. Police Report PACT
None

5.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 action has been taken

Estimate Kissing Gate Allotments
Estimate widening Footpath Allotments
Both estimates by A Ham were agreed and the work will commence

c. Other Issue

Village Green Shrubbery (residents reply)

The residents had replied stating that they had cleared far more shrub cuttings than was left and it was material which overhung their homes. After a short debate about the issues it was decided that the Chairman and Clerk would meet the contractor on site to put together a maintenance plan for the shrubbery

Horses on Beach.

A resident reported to the Council Clerk an incident where he approached horse riders who were riding on the top side of the beach. He pointed out that they were not supposed to be up near the top and he got abusive remarks back. He suggested that more signs be installed to make horse riders aware of the by-law. After a debate it was decided to firstly review the signs and secondly to put an article in the newsletter which will go to every Livery in Kewstoke highlighting the issue.

Community Resilience

Although the Council had decided for the foreseeable future not to have a plan the Clerk had enquired about a template for small Parishes. When one comes available the issue would be raised again

6. Toilets

Some progress has been made. WSM Council had received a quote from Heathmatic which included Kewstoke but as a separate unit. The Clerk was awaiting details from Heathmatic
It was agreed to deal with the matter through the Finance Working Group in the first instance
It was proposed by Cllr MacDonald , seconded by Cllr R Pearson
Vote was unanimous

7. Dog Bin emptying

This service now appeared to be operating three times a week and was controlling the usage of the bins

Cllr Harper raised the issue of the rubbish bins on the sea shore and they would not appear to be being emptied regularly enough

Clerk will contact J Carson to discuss the issue.

8. Correspondence

Southern Area Committee Papers

Community Transport.

Planning Workshop May 23rd 2013

In relation to the planning workshop the Clerk will book two places.

New Improved Bridleway Surface, Collum Lane.

Cllr Adams felt it would be right to thank NSDC for the excellent work on this bridleway.

Clerk will write

10 Financial Update:

10a Cheques for Approval

Clerks Salary	£ 216.25
Inland Revenue	£ 54.00
Clerks Expenses	£ 169.69
B Thorne	£ 361.48
S Ryall (Beach Warden)	£ 169.00
A Ham	£ 707.12
Wessex Water (Allotments)	£ f 23.06

Unanimously agreed.

10b Interest Payments

A debate took place about the small amount of interest payed on the holdings of the Parish.

The Clerk had already started to look for better deals however he was concerned that some deals tied up the money for periods of time and moving banks was possible, but difficult.

It was decided that the Clerk would look for alternative deals and report back to Council.

10c Delegated powers to Chairman and Clerk to sign off accounts from Internal Audit to External Auditor

Clerk explained that this was a purely procedure issue

Proposed by Cllr MacDonald seconded by Cllr T Horry

Unanimous

11. Report on Community Farm Project.

Cllr Horry and the Clerk attended the opening of the project. This was a project funded by a £15,000.00 lottery grant and was being run by Jacky Williams our former Youth Club Leader.

The project is designed to give work experience to various disadvantaged groups.

12. Request for December meeting date change.

The Clerk requested if the December meeting could be moved from the 2nd December to the 9th December. This was agreed.

13. Councillors Reports

At this juncture Cllr Ian Porter the Unitary Member joined the meeting.

The Chairman acting for the whole Council expressed their hope that his long suffered illnesses was behind him and wished him well for the future.

This was kindheartedly agreed by all at the meeting.

Cllr Porter reported on issues raised recently at the full NSDC meeting he had just come from.

The Council Tax changes which had come into force would affect approximately 84 Kewstoke houses

Cllr Porter explained that the ward boundary review would likely affect his ward. It was decided that one ward member should represent approximately 3,000 to 3,500 residents.

Cllr Porter and Cllr Morris had both been contacted about the increase in bus transport going up Crookes Lane past the Owls Crest.

A short debate took place but the Council resolved there was little that could be done if the village wanted to stay as a viable holiday resort.

Cllr Jolley reported overhanging brambles on the footpath in Crookes Lane, close to Ardnave.

Clerk will get contractor to remove.

Cllr Vearncombe reported that he thought the water running permanently across the road outside The Elms, 110 Kewstoke Road was part sewage and may be coming from a septic tank or a broken sewer

Clerk will ask Environment Health to investigate in the first instance.

Cllr Vearncombe was concerned about one Allotment holder was using his site for more than general gardening storage.

Clerk will investigate.

Cllr Thomas was concerned about the hedge at the top of Monks Hill owned by the Golf Club which needs cutting back . Cars were now being scratched if they needed to pull in tightly to the road side

Clerk will contact golf club

Cllr Whyte gave notice of an apology for the next meeting in June.

Cllr Pearson agreed the deadline for articles to the newsletter was the 18th May.

Cllr Harper informed the meeting that Wessex Water had dug up the road outside the Rose Tree Caravan Site supposedly to mend the broken water- main, put the road back and it was now worse.

Clerk will contact Wessex Water.

Cllr Adams had been approached by an out of Village Company wanting to advertise in the magazine?

It was decided to continue with the policy of village only.

Cllr Horry had been approached by Members of the Tuesday Club about the difficulty of getting up the steps to the beach. He had requested them to put it in writing so it could become an Agenda item.

14. Date of next Meeting Monday June 3rd 2013.