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Chairman: Councillor Mr. T Horry

Minutes of the of Kewstoke Parish Council held on Tuesday 5th June 2012 at Kewstoke Village Hall.

Present, T Horry (Chairman), C Thomas, K. Harper, T Morris, R Adams, R Pearson, C Bates and D Jolley,
Clerk Colin Hill
Unitary Member I Porter
Member of Public- None

Public Participation (15 minutes)

None

1. Opening of the Meeting

The meeting opened at 7.05pm

Cllr Horry proposed that the Council record its support for Her Majesty the Queen for 60 years dedicated service to her country

Cllr Horry on behalf of the Council also wanted to thank everyone who assisted and helped at the weekend jubilee fête and celebrations

Both were agreed unanimously

2.Apologies for Absence

Cllr N Whyte, J McDonald (Vice-Chairman), M Ray,

Liaison Officer Sue Ivermee

Police

Press

3. Declarations of Interests

None

4.Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 8th 2012 . These were adopted with no changes

4a. Police Report PACT

No report

5. Matters Arising as a Matter of Report

Cllr T Morris had purchased the paint for the sign posts and will get the paint company to invoice the Council direct so that the VAT can be claimed back

a. Public Participation not agenda items-

None

b. Highway Issues

Road Closure Crookes Lane

No new date has yet been given for this work. The Clerk will be informed before work starts but it is now likely to be the Autumn.

Sign Beach Road

There appeared to be some confusion between the Council and NSDC Officers about this sign. The Clerk will clearly explain to the Area Officer the significance of the sign at the junction of Crookes Lane and Beach Road and its need to be more visible.

Flooding outside Village Hall

NSDVC have agreed to jet the drains again and at the same time investigate if the problem is more problematic than just blocked drains. This work is scheduled but no date given.

Parking Lower Kewstoke Road/Kewside/Play Area

The Clerk had spoken to the police and the NSDC Officers about double yellow lines in this area. It would be added to a list which will be consulted on later in the year.

Some discussion took place about the merits but it was proposed to continue with the request at this stage.

c. Other Issue

Allotment Wall. Re- Horses Entry

Horses had got into the allotments and caused some damage. They are from the field at the lower side of the allotments protected normally by a small wall and a bramble hedge. The land is rented to the horse owners and there is no stock fence.

A discussion took place about the responsibility of stock owners and their responsibilities as well as possible Council responsibilities in relation to the low level wall. Cllr Thomas will try and delve into the archives to see if the deeds etc. of the allotments shed any light on the ownership of the wall and Cllrs Morris and Adams with the Clerk would inspect the land currently occupied by the horses to consider whether to approach the owner to purchasing the land for possibly more allotments.

Bus Stop Holiday Centre

The Clerk met with Officers and a scheme will be drawn up to put two high kerb stops in the road. The Clerk explained the thinking behind the scheme. Some Councillors expressed concern but all agreed to wait until the plan drawings are available for discussion.

Website

Cllr Ray had met with the Web-Site designer with some more suggestions and the work was ongoing.

Insurance

The working group had analysed the three quotes and it was decided to go with Cane and Company Parish Insurance. A 4month free offer was part of the agreement.

Churchyard Issues

The first section of phase 3 of the renovation has been completed with 11 graves restored.

Cllr Horry reported on an accident to a visitor in the churchyard relating to steps although nothing to do with the Parish Council the Clerk has instructed the contractor to close the gates to visitors when working within the confines of the churchyard.

6. Junction 21 M5 New Works

The Clerk had been to visit NSDC Officers again for clarification about the northbound exit from Kewstoke/Worle. The plan is that once the traffic has passed over the railway bridge (past the turning down to St George the road will have a designated lane to the M5. The junction slip road area from Worle and Weston will then be traffic lighted and then advanced to the motorway roundabout. A long discussion took place about the project but Councillors would await the results over the next 18months

7. Correspondence

Southern Area Committee Papers May
Consultation Outside Auditors
Minutes Social Enterprise Forum
All noted

8 Financial Update:

8a Cheques for Approval

Clerks Salary	£ 216.45
Inland Revenue	£ 54.00
Clerks Expenses	£ 61.87
David Richards	£ 00.00
S Ryall (Beach Warden)	£ 169.00
Thorne (Orderly)	£ 411.49
A Ham	£1023.00
Cane and Company	£1038.48
Taylormade	£9,691.80
Worle Band	£ 300.00
Stylish Memorials	£1,764.40
St Pauls Parochial Council	£ 324.00

Paid In (£500.00Kew/Rel/Need) (£240 Allotments) £740.00

8a Accounts

The Clerk reported that the accounts were now with the internal auditor and requested delegated powers to the chairman to sign them off to go to the external auditor
This was agreed unanimously

9. Toilets Bus Terminus and Toilets Sand Point

The Clerk had been in touch with the Officer charged with looking into the transfer of toilets to other Organisations. A detailed debate took place about charging for use, car park charges and concessions. A working group would look into the issues with NSDC. Cllrs Morris ,Adams,Thomas as well as Jolley if available with the Clerk will form the Working Group.

10. Jubilee Weekend report

Firstly the whole Council congratulated Cllr Bates for the sterling effort she put in to organise the event.

Cllr Bates gave her report indicating that the evening section which profits were to go to the Village Hall funds had made £1001.17p after £800 expenses were taken account of.

The church fete in the afternoon where also many Councillors helped raised approximately £4,000.00

11. Youth Club Steering Group

A meeting had been held and it had proved difficult. The steering group was finding it difficult to focus on its role as it seems to not be able to move the process forward. Everyone was aware of the difficulty faced by youth clubs for funding, volunteers etc but in the end the solutions rely on having all the information at hand. This process needs to be adopted more robustly for progress to proceed. A further meeting is planned

12. Kewstoke Relief in Need Membership

The Council was aware that Mrs Lowe finishes her term of office in September. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Chairman the Vicar Mr Eales to confirm that as from September Cllr Thomas will replace Mrs Lowe

13. Memorial Seats

The Clerk produced a map of the situation of all the seats. A long discussion took place about whether to allow more seats or not. A discussion also took place about gifted seats and the time scale the Parish should be prepared to maintain them.

It was proposed by Cllr Bates and seconded by Cllr Pearson that positions towards Sand point from the bus terminus down be identified and planning sought from the Environment Agency and that any other positions would be at the Councils discretion
Unanimously agreed.

14. Grass Contract Cutting Times

The Clerk explained the procedure for the two cuttings one of the hedgerows which was in operation and the sea shore about to start. There was general agreement about the quality of the work all ready carried out on the hedgerows. The Clerk asked Councillors to be observant and report any issues relating to the cutting.

15. Planning Issues

There were no planning issues

16. Councillors Reports

Cllr Bates asked for the bushes on the left side of Beach Road past the Commodore to be cut back as they were dangerous The Clerk will action

Cllr Harper reported pot holes on Sand Road and Cllr Jolley reported two pot holes near Elmsley Lane

Cllr Pearson again reported the railings that were still down near the water tower

Cllr Adams reported that the soak aways opposite 11-113 Beach Road may be blocked
Clerk will action

17. Date of next Meeting Monday July 2nd 2012 Meeting closed at 9-43 pm