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Chairman: Councillor Mr. Tony Horry
Colin Hill, Clerk

**Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council Meeting held at the Kewstoke Village Hall on
April 7th 2014**

Present: Councillors T Horry, (Chairman), J MacDonald (Vice-Chairman), K Harper,
G Vearncombe, C Bates, T Morris, R Adams R Pearson, D.Jolley, N Whyte and C Thomas
Clerk Colin Hill
Unitary Member I Porter
Nicola Mitchell - Police

Public Participation (15 minutes)

Mr Evely thanked the Councillors for their work for the village.

1.Opening of the Meeting

Meeting opened at 7-05pm

2 Apologies for Absence

Liaison Officer Sue Ivermee

3, Declarations of Interests

None

4.Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 7th 2014.

These were adopted with two minor spelling errors

4a Police Report

There were 56 calls to the police compared to 43 last year however there were 5 crimes this year compared to 12 the previous year.

In this month the breakdown was as follows-: 10 traffic, 2, burglaries, 3 nuisance, 15 calls from Cygnet and misc others.

The Officer made Councillors aware of Rogue Traders in the area particularly relating to household repairs .

Cllr Vearncombe raised the issue of speeding traffic along the Kewstoke Road which could result in a serious accident.

5. Matters Arising as a Matter of Report

None not agenda items

a. Public Participation not agenda items-

b. Highway Issues

Fly Tipping Sand Road

The pile was still there but Cllr Porter informed the meeting that he had viewed it with Officer M MacGregor who would see it was moved.

Water Equipment Cover Monks Hill

This was now resolved

Pub Sign Crookes Lane

Photo's were circulated and it was agreed to replace the present signs with new ones. The main beneficiary would be the New Inn Pub and they would be requested to pay for the fabrication and installation.

c. Other Issues

Play Area Bark

The new holding boards have been installed and the bark would be ordered prior to inspection.

Holes in Bank Seashore

The Police and Councillors were aware of this practice but as of yet there has been no repeat in the last two weeks

The situation will be monitored.

6. Toilets

Progress report

The conversions, bar the locking mechanism for the doors will be complete within a week.

NSDC have indicated that the grant money will be released shortly.

There is a Planning issue to be resolved relating to a condition restricting the sale of some hot food.

It has partially been resolved for the purposes of the present client but could cause a problem if future clients were involved. The Clerks advice to Councillors was not to accept the condition without major clarification as a minimum. The legal side was held up because of this issue and it would be unlikely to be able to open before Easter.

It was decided to contact the Client and NSDC to resolve the matter one way or another and move the process on.

7. Correspondence

The Clerk read out extracts from the Area Officer Newsletter clearly highlighting their awareness of the road issues relating to the village.

8. Car Parking on Verges

The Clerk brought this back to the Council because he was continually having emails from a road user who was adamant it was a Parish issue. Despite repeatedly trying to explain the position of the Parish and to continually explain it was not in the Parish jurisdiction the road user refuses to accept the answers.

Councillors advised the Clerk to refer him to NSDC in future

9. Financial Update:

9a Cheques for Approval

Clerks Salary	£ 216.25
Inland Revenue	£ 54.20
Clerks Expenses	£ 55.80
B Thorne	£ 361.48
S Ryall (Beach Warden)	£ 169.00
A Ham	£ 510.00
S.E.C	£ 289.31
R Cousins	£2,500.00
T Morris	£2,500.00

Murodigital Printer	£3,840.00
Hodges Solicitors	£ 500.00
Paid In Environment Agency	£1,200.00
Proposed C Bates seconded G Vearncombe	
Unanimous vote of approval	

9b Printer/Copier

The printer has been installed and was ready for work.

The first major work will be the Newsletter and after discussions about deadlines and content it was decided to go to print on Friday the 11th April

Cllrs Pearson, Horry, Whyte and the Clerk will oversee the printing and a representative from the suppliers will be asked to come and help if he is available.

10. Sand Dune Defence Damage

The Clerk reported that this issue was raised at the Sand Bay Management Meeting where a representative from the Environment Agency was in attendance.

The minutes from that meeting confirmed that the Agency was still accessing any damage but it was not a high priority or of major concern at the present time.

It is thought that the dunes will repair themselves naturally and they will be continually monitored

11. Village Fete date- 12th July 2014

A further exploratory meeting is to be held regarding membership issues but all was in hand and a further report will be made in May

12. Park Homes (Legal Rights)

Cllr Thomas and the Clerk attended the seminar given by NSDC where speakers highlighted the issues of the new legislation concerning Park Homes.

In essence this law is balancing the rights of Site Owners and Home Owners within a structure which is fairer and more defined. The Parish Council role in any of these issues could only be minor

13. Councillors Reports

Cllr Jolley reported a damaged dog bin on the sea front close to Crookes Lane
Clerk will investigate and repair if possible

Cllr Jolley and Bates raised the issue of the broken drain with road signs in front at Lower Norton Lane just off the Queensway. This was echoed by other Councillors.

The Clerk raised the point that he had continually reported it and NSDC were aware of it but he was aware that the road network was in serious need of repair in other places and it would be prioritised along with those others

Cllr Pearson reported the manhole in the walk area approaching Weston Woods needs attention.
Clerk will report again

14. Date of next Meeting Tuesday 6th May 2014 which follows the AGM.