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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**  
**Monday June 2nd 2014**

**Present:** Councillors T Horry, (Chairman), J MacDonald (Vice-Chairman), K Harper,  
G Vearncombe, R Adams, R Pearson, C Bates, D Jolley, T Morris and C Thomas  
Clerk Colin Hill  
Unitary Member I Porter  
Members of the Public Mr Evelyn

**Public Participation (15 minutes)**

Mr Evelyn raised two points

1. The fallen wall on Beach Road up from the Commodore Hotel.
2. The recent obstructions to parking on verges put in by residents.

**1. Opening of the Meeting**

Meeting opened at 7-06pm

**2 Apologies for Absence**

CllrN Whyte  
Liaison Officer Sue Ivermee  
Police

**3, Declarations of Interests**

None

**4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 6th 2014.**

These were adopted with one minor spelling error.

**4a. Police Report**

Not Available

**5. Matters Arising as a Matter of Report**

None not agenda items

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

**The two issues related by Mr Evelyn**

1. The road signs on Beach road up from the Commodore Hotel were because of road subsidence and the collapsed wall. This was due to a badger set undermining the wall and road foundations. It was in hand by NSDC but where badgers are concerned it could be a lengthy process.
2. There are now several properties and businesses that have put stones, posts or even concrete objects on the verges of their properties in an attempt to stop people parking or using them as convenient passing places.

Whether the above is legal or not was part of the debate that took place however it was decided

that it was outside the jurisdiction of the Parish. The clerk would inform NSDC highways for them to determine the legality or not.

## **b. Highway Issues**

### **Pot Holes in Roads**

Some of the serious situations as in Sand Road and Lower Norton lane were addressed however there are other serious problems with the road network. It is understood that Kewstoke is due a team of repairers in the near future. The Clerk would check on the progress before the next meeting.

## **c. Other Issues**

Issues raised from the Annual Parish Meeting

The main issue raised at the meeting was the position of the Toll Road in the Councils priority list.

One member of the public of the three that attended felt this should be higher in the priority list.

Other issues discussed were dogs barking on Kewstoke Road and a possible help bar to get up the sea defence steps at the sea shore.

The latter would be investigated by the Clerk.

## **6. Toilets**

### **Progress report**

The building was now under lease to the Parish Council from NSDC and was insured.

The concession lease for the Kiosk was now with the concessionaires and it is hoped to sign shortly

The toilet cleaning contract was still awaited.

All the small outstanding works will be completed by the 7<sup>th</sup> June. The target date for opening is week 16<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014

## **7,Correspondence**

### **Letter Berry-Redmond-Storage of Documents**

This document refers to the piece of land owned by the Council opposite the New Inn Pub

It will be collected and registered with the Land Registry.

### **Police Newsletter**

### **Public Transport Guides**

Other documentation was noted

## **8. Orderly and Beach Warden Salaries**

It has always been the policy of the Council to pay the employees above the minimum rate.

It was decided to move the pay rate from £6-30p per hour to £7 per hour from July bearing in mind the base rate will go up to £6-50 in November.

## **9. Financial Update:**

### **9a Cheques for Approval**

Clerks Salary	£ 266.73
Inland Revenue	£ 66.20
Clerks Expenses	£ 54.34
B Thorne	£ 289.98
S Ryall (Beach Warden)	£ 169.00
A Ham	£2,026.00
Foremost signs	£ 164.40
K Harper (Sanitary Consultant Engineer)	£ 50.49
Internal Audit	£150.00
Hodges Solicitors	£660.00
R Ingram	£192.00

Cane And Co Insurance

£ 157.53

Paid in

Allotments £195.00

Churchyard grant £ 500.00 (2013)

All Agreed

### **9b. Accounts to be signed off to Internal Auditor**

The Clerk presented the Internal Audited accounts to be signed off to go to External Audit.

There was no comments by the Internal Auditor.

It was proposed for adoption by Cllr Vearncombe and seconded by Cllr T Morris

The vote was unanimous

### **10. Newsletter**

The Clerk raised the issue of future formats of the newsletter which had been briefly touched on at previous meetings.

A discussion took place and it was decided to look at all aspects of adverts, website and the newsletter in formats and report back to Council by a set up small working party.

### **11. Village Fete Date- 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

Cllr Bates gave an update on the Organisation of the Fete. Issues discussed were insurance, and who would be responsible. A list of activities proposed would be needed for the Village Hall Insurers and this was agreed to be supplied

The Clerk agreed to act as treasurer and the Councils account two would be used

A recent audit recorded the present balance and that would be left in the account at the end.

### **12. Councillors Reports**

**Cllr Adams** had been questioned about the height off the water within the Rhine's and he explained the penning system. Cllrs were of the opinion that the Rhine was being held at to high a level.

Cllr Adams will contact the Rhine's foreman to convey the Councils views

**Cllr Harper** had again contacted SEC about light 8 in Crookes lane which had been on and off for 3 Months.

**Cllr Harper** would purchase a cupboard for the storage of toilet rolls etc and it would be located in the disabled toilet mounted on the wall

**Cllr Harper** reported the area of land owned by the Parish near the New Inn Pub needs attention.

Clerk will action

**Cllr Pearson** reported that the street lighting was being obscured by tree branches and foliage from the Commodore up to the farm shop building area

Clerk will report to NSDC

**Cllr Jolley** reported on an experiment of LED lighting in Portishead and it might be worth being part of the review of the approaching plans of Kewstoke. He agreed to forward details to the Clerk

**Cllr Morris** reported damage to the flag pole situated on the village green of which he felt he could mend. Cllrs agreed for Cllr Morris to repair if possible in the first instance

**Cllr Vearncombe** reported on a serious accident outside Rose Cottage on Kewstoke Road. A car is regularly parked outside and it was hit by another passing motorist. The road has been damaged.

It was agreed as it was a rented house to try and get the name of the land lord and try and get the tenants to park off the road in the first instance

**13. Date of next Meeting Monday July 7th 2014**

Meeting closed at 8-55pm