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Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council Meeting held at the Kewstoke Village Hall on Monday 3rd of November 2014

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

Public Participation (15 Minutes)

Mrs S Lowe made 3 Points:-

1. Mr R Pearson's term on the Kewstoke in Need comes to an end and a re-appointment will be necessary
2. The lights governed by NSDC are staying on until 1am instead of going off at 12 midnight
3. There seems to be no action these days on clearing gullies to allow water to flow of the roads into ditches

1. Opening of the Meeting

The meeting opened at 7-13pm

2. Apologies for Absence

Cllr C Bates,
Liaison Officer Sue Ivermee
PSCO Nicola Mitchell

3. Declarations Of Interest

None

4. Adoption of the minutes of the Council Meeting of October the 6th 2014

These were adopted with no changes

5. Matters arising as a matter of report

Cllr MacDonald raised the issue of the James & Son advertising boards at Elmsley Lane
Clerk reported he had written to James and Son asking for removal
It was decided to remove them ourselves

5a, Public Participation

Items one and two made by Mrs Lowe were noted and would be actioned

Item three which referred to gullies and roadside run off became a major debate.

Cllrs Porter and Jolley had the same day come from a NSDC highway meeting where they were informed that there were 35,000 cases to be dealt with and a priority list was needed.

The Clerk was asked to put Kewstoke's name on the list however it was generally thought little action would happen.

A debate took place about how much the Parish could or should take on in extra work but no final decision was made.

Highway Issues

Sand Road

The Clerk reported that an engineer had visited the area to assess what could be done.

No decision has been made

Kewstoke Road

Despite Road Closure notices the road has still not been re-surfaced

Cllr Vearncombe was concerned if it would ever be done this year

b, Other Issues

Church Path/Fence and Rhine and Church Footpath

The Footpath Officer was satisfied that the area was being catered for properly. The Parish would continue to monitor the situation

Crookes Lane Old Road Hedge Rows

The Clerk, Cllr Thomas and A Ham still need to look at these issues

Update Court Road

There is no more information available and there is doubt if there is anything the Parish can achieve in this case as it is a private road and area

Toilets

The Council confirmed its decision to close the toilets for the winter months and Cllr Morris agreed to padlock them.

An email has been received for the kiosk vender relating to next year's operation.

This would be discussed by the Finance Working Group and a report would come back to the December meeting

Small Car Park Adjacent to Castle Restaurant, Kewstoke Road

The process of leasing the Car park appeared to be ongoing despite the Council raising concerns about the whole process.

A letter has been sent to the Director of Environment raising the concerns of the Council.

No reply has yet been received.

Correspondence

General Correspondence was noted

Fly-Tipping

The Clerk reported that two ditches were now fly-tipped again in the usual places. The Clerk felt it would be a waste of time asking NSDC to remove from the ditches as they would refuse to do so. It will however be needed to remove before the onslaught of winter.

A debate took place about what could be done and it was decided to mount deterrent notices in the hope they would be noted by the perpetrators,

Clerk will organise notices

Finance Update:-

Cheques for Approval

Clerks Salary	£266.73
Clerks Expenses	£241.91
Inland Revenue	£ 66.60
S Ryall (Beach Warden)	£182.00
B Thorne	£311.98
Harlow Hygiene	£ 76.44
R Palmer	£307.50
A Ham	£1,874.75
Hodges Solicitors	£1,800.00
R Adams	£ 150.00
Society of Local Clerks	£ 101.00
Bristol Water	£ 76.39
K J Harper	£ 14.99
All approved	

Newsletter

There were still some articles to come in but once completed the proof read will take place.

It is hoped to be printed by the end of the month.

Christmas Party

Cllrs Whyte and Bates would organise as normal. They have a set procedure for the event.

The party is on 20th December 2014

Christmas Dinner

It was proposed the dinner would be at the Chinese Restaurant on the 6th January if available.

Clerk will enquire

Councillors Reports

Cllr Pearson and Verncombe were concerned about the leaves on Monks Hill.

The Clerk had already taken up the issue with NSDC

Cllr Thomas was concerned the pot holes around the Pink Shop were still unfilled and were being ignored by highways. Clerk will report again

Cllr Jolley highlighted some areas of hedgerow which needed a hard prune when the flayer is doing the roads

Cllr Jolley reported a new dog bin will be needed opposite Pontins on the sea shore. The present one is rusted out

Cllr Morris reported that there were highway work signs outside Woodleigh in Crookes Lane which had been there for over a year and needed collecting .Clerk will action

Cllr Morris reported that the flag pole on the Village Green was now repaired and the flag will fly on Armistice Sunday

The meeting closed at 8-45pm

Date of next Meeting is December 1st 2014