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Chairman: Councillor Tony Horry

Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council Meeting held in the Kewstoke Village Hall on Monday April 4th 2016 which commenced at 7.00pm
Present T Horry (Chairman) J MacDonald (Vice Chairman) R Adams, T Morris, G Vearncombe, K Harper, C Thomas, K Jenkins, R Pearson and N Whyte
Unitary Member Lisa Pilgrim
Members of the Public -two

Public Participation (15 minutes) -None

Opening of the Meeting

Meeting opened at 7-05pm

1. Apologies for Absence

Liaison Officer S Ivermee
Cllr C Bates

2. Declarations of Interests

None

3. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of March 7th 2016

These were adopted with one minor grammar error

4. Matters Arising as a Matter of Report

None

5. Police Report

PSCO Burnside gave the report

There were 17 offences since the end of January. They were: - 4 ASB, 2 Burglary, 3 Criminal Damage and 8 thefts

A question and answer session followed covering issues of drug addiction and its use around the area, illegal parking and road obstructions.

Cllr Adams reported on how his house was burgled and Cllr Vearncombe raised issues about problem cars on Kewstoke. A member of the public through the chair reported on youths urinating against fences in full view of residents.

The Officer advised that ringing 101 and getting the call log should be the first port of call

7. Highway Issues

7a, Beach Road Drains.

A debate took place about the lack of action by NSDC and its general attitude to the Parish. Cllr Ingram agreed to take the matter up with Senior Officers of NSDC

8, Other Issues

Allotments

Three quotes have been received for the new path at the allotment entrance

It was agreed to go with the Babbage quote

Proposed by Cllr R Pearson seconded by Cllr Whyte

The vote was unanimous

Toilets

The toilets were up and running for the new season and the new money dispensing lock was now on the disabled toilet. Problems have occurred in that a seat has been broken, dirty behaviour within the disabled toilet and some malfunctioning of the doors

The issues are being resolved

9. Correspondence

Parish Recycling Scheme

It was decided to ask the Officer in charge to come to a future meeting of the Parish Council to explain the scheme

10. Financial Update:

Cheques for Approval

Clerks Salary	£ 266.73
Clerks Expenses	£ 50.78
Inland Revenue	£ 66.60
B Thorne	£311.98
A Ham	£510.50
J Mortimore	£182.00
SSE Electricity Toilets	£ 14.80
SEC Contract	£289.31
Harlow Hygiene	£ 18.36
Village Hall rent	£ 150.00
Zerographic Ltd Printer	£119.42
R Palmer	£ 86..78
R Ingram	£323.00
Wallgate Ltd	£ 97.98

Proposed acceptance Cllr R Pearson seconded by Cllr Vearncombe

Vote was unanimous

11. Update Traffic Management

Cllr MacDonald led the debate.

A draft leaflet has been produced and circulated to all Councillors for approval.

The main focus was on measures for traffic calming throughout the village and the newsletter was a series of ideas to be put to the public as a consultation exercise ahead of the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on the 26th April 2016.

The working party that have put this together emphasised that it was still work in progress as other ideas may come out of the consultation. More work will be needed prior to the day as the Village Hall will be open from 4pm for the residents to view and express their opinions and hopefully will attend the evening Annual Parish Meeting which will start at 7-30pm

12 Sand Bay Management Report

The Clerk reported on this meeting which proved to be one of the most interesting.

The Coastal path final route has not been decided but the Clerk raised concerns that the boardwalk, be not part of it, unless guarantees for its update and maintenance were given. To this effect he has written to NSDC and Natural England seeking advice

Other issues covered were Huckers Bow, Rare plant life, rare birds coming to the area and damage to the dunes by invasive plants

13. Councillor's Reports

Cllr Adams asked if there was any possibility of some stone gravel being placed along Church Path opposite the Pontin area

Clerk will ask NSDC

Cllr Whyte and Morris reported that the church had been burgled twice with its sound system being stolen twice. With regret it might been the church being locked at strategic times

Cllr Thomas requested if there was any information relating to the churchyard tree which needs attention. Cllr Pilgrim agreed to follow up again

Cllr Vearncombe requested to write to a business owner in the village about a retaining wall in Kewstoke road which regularly has rocks falling from it onto the road.

Clerk will write

Cllr Vearncombe also requested that action will be needed to repair the retaining wall at the Allotments hit by a lorry. Clerk will write to NSDC as it is believed it is their responsibility.

Cllr Pearson reported that the owners of the Castle Restaurant have installed a seat within the area.

Cllr Pilgrim informed the meeting that she will look into the Beach road, drains the Car park sign and the churchyard tree.

14 Staff Salaries

An increase was agreed

15. Date of Next Meeting Monday May 9th 2016

AGM followed by the Monthly Meeting