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Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council Meeting held in the Kewstoke Village Hall on
Monday August 7th 2017 which commenced at 7.00pm
Present T Horry (Chairman) J McDonald, R Adams, R Cunningham, T Morris,
G Vearncombe, K Jenkins, N Whyte, C Bates and K Harper
Unitary Member Lisa Pilgrim, Roz Willis
Members of the Public Mr Williams Mr Kaufman and Mr & Mrs Templeman

Public Participation (15 minutes)

Mr Williams and Mr Kaufman raised the issue of the granting of planning permission by NSDC to Rose Tree Caravan Site relating to 31 Static Caravans. The ref is 17/P/0926/F

Both residents live near the site and both objected along with the Parish Council.

The Clerk and Cllr Adams gave their views as to why the application was granted and the Chairman gave permission for a small debate about the decision. The result was that Councillor Adams as a Member of the Drainage Board would raise the drainage issue relating to the application at his next meeting and the Council would write to NSDC if appropriate following feedback from the Drainage Board

Mrs Templeman raised two issues

She was still unhappy with the ash trees growth opposite her house which she contends were not dying off despite the assurance from the Clerk they had been sprayed. The Clerk would get them cut back.

Mrs Templeman raised the issue of traffic problems around the Village of which Councillors were aware. The Chairman informed the meeting that it was hoped some of these problems would go away when the Traffic Management Scheme is implemented

1. Opening of the Meeting

The meeting opened at 7-35pm

2. Apologies for Absence

Cllr C Thomas,

3. Declarations of Interests

None

4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of July 3rd 2017

The minutes were adopted with two minor grammatical errors. Proposed Cllr Whyte
Seconded Cllr Morris . The vote was unanimous

5. Matters Arising as a Matter of Report

Clerk reported some minor changes to the accounts to be paid section

6. Police Report

PSCO Mike Benfield gave the report. There were 31 calls to the police over the month of which 4 were of some concern 1, burglary, 2, criminal damage and 1 theft of a motor vehicle

A youth in the area is to be prosecuted for riding a motor bike on the beach and the bike confiscated.

An ongoing issue relating to parking on Crookes Lane was discussed and the Officer intended to visit some residents about the issue however it was not a straight forward as they were not always committing an Offence

7. Unitary Members Report

The Unitary Member reported that all matters relating to the seashore were not the responsibility of NSDC but the Environment Agency and where other issues were concerned the Police. Other issues such as car parks and traffic issues were agenda items later in the meeting

8. Highway Issues

Recent Road works.

Recent work had been carried out in Sand Road and further work is scheduled for the coming week which should then end in the road being re surfaced

Ash Trees Kewstoke Road

Dealt with earlier in meeting

Railings far end Toll Road

Cllr Roz Willis informed the meeting this was a private fence owned by the Birnbeck Pier owner who was aware of the situation. NSDC were trying to get the company to do some work but at the moment there appears to be deadlock

Cllr MacDonald raised the issue again about Crookes Lane and the dangers of the parked cars there.

All Councillors agreed it was dangerous however the Clerk reminded members that NSDC had looked at the situation and did not envisage to take action. It will be raised as part of the holistic look at parking in the village.

9, Other Issues

Path around Boardwalk

It was decided to take the option of removing the centre of the boardwalk to ensure the safety and access for disabled people and replace the boards with a screed path compacted down

Proposed Cllr T Morris seconded Cllr Verncombe Vote was unanimous

Roundabout Flooring.

A six inch wide circular hole has been burnt into the flooring. The Clerk has identified a company with a kit hopefully which will do for a repair. This is ongoing at the present time

Cycling on Footpath Seafrost

Clerk reported that cyclist who were growing in number seemed to think the seashore path is a cycleway. The Council has concern that it is difficult to ban all cyclist as some children using the path with bikes is a much safer option than the road. The situation will be monitored to see it does not get out of hand

10. Correspondence

Airport news leaflets circulated and noted

11. Car Parks

A meeting was held with NSDC Officers and it was not as successful as was hoped. The Unitary Authority was only considering the Sand Bay car park and seemed not to understand the holistic issues of the village. A full and frank discussion was held and both parties went away to consider the next moves. The Parish decided to refer the matter to its working group who in turn will report back to Council

12. Copse Village Green

The Copse trees have had to be cut back in places as they are intruding into gardens.

It was decided to have a site meeting to evaluate the work before an estimate is sought

13. Housing and Transport Strategy

Cllr Adams and the Clerk attended a seminar at NDSDC and have circulated the paperwork from that seminar. The Chairman asked all Councillors to read and make any comments back to the Clerk ASAP. Although in general most houses will be built within the confines of the larger towns the add on effect to the village could vary. Traffic problems is most likely to be the biggest concern. The Clerk will update the NSDC with any requested information required

Financial Update:

14. Cheques for Approval

Clerks Salary	£346.40
Clerks Expenses	£ 196.76
Inland Revenue	£ 86.60
B Thorne	£ 333.98
J Mortimore	£ 195.00
A.Ham	£ 1033.50
R Palmer	£ 309.50
SSE Electric	£ 44.87
CommuniCorp	£ 12.00
EDF Electricity	£ 267.47
RPH ltd	£ 66.00

Proposed acceptance Cllr Verncombe seconded Cllr Morris

Vote was unanimous

15. Street Lighting Issues

The street light problem in Kewstoke Road has been resolved thanks to Cllr Vearncombe.

Other issues relating to maintenance are ongoing

16. Councillor's Reports

Cllr Adams reported pot holes at Elmsley Lane and **Cllr Vearncombe** at Lower Norton Lane. Clerk will action

Cllr Vearncombe reiterated his view that following some of the recent traffic "snarl ups" in the Village it might be prudent to consider the Toll Road issue sooner than later

17. Date of Next Meeting Monday 4th September

