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**Chairman: Councillor Tony Horry**

Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council Meeting held in the Kewstoke Village Hall on  
Monday March 5th 2018 which commenced at 7.00pm

Present T Horry (Chairman) J McDonald , R Adams, T Morris, K Harper, C Bates, N Whyte,  
K Jenkins, and G Vearncombe

Liaison Officer N Richards

Mr Pointon and Mr & Mrs Rogers

### **Public Participation (15 minutes)**

Mr Pointon new to the area was disappointed that more was not done by the Parish over the recent cold snowy weather period. A short debate took place about the responsibilities for highways and Social Care and however useful Social Media is it was obvious from Councillor comments that all Councillors were active in different ways over the period, If as he wished to set up a kind of action team for the future the Council would try and be supportive

### **1. Opening of the Meeting**

Meeting opened at 7-20pm

### **2, Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs R Cunningham, C Thomas,

Unitary Members L Pilgrim and R Willis

Police

### **3. Declarations of Interests**

None

### **4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of February 5th 2018**

These were adopted with three minor grammatical errors

Proposed by Councillor K Jenkins seconded Cllr Whyte, Vote was unanimous

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

Some minor changes to the finance payments

### **6. Police Report**

Attached to these minutes for future police officer reference

There were 61 calls to the police of which 11 were crimes. There was 4 incidents of assault, 3 of theft, 3, public order and 1, Anti -social behaviour

### **7. Unitary Members Report**

The Clerk was informed that last months question's were asked at Council. Some correspondence from Officers have been received as well as an e-mail from Cllr Ap-Rees

## **8. Highway Issues**

### **Traffic Management Work**

Resident Mr Duff who is a specialist in the field of Traffic Management has entered the scheme within the NSDC complaints procedure. The Council decided to await any results from that complaint.

## **9, Other Issues**

### **Pot Holes/Road issues**

The main problems are Sand Road/Lower Norton Lane Junction and parts of Kewstoke Road both already known to NSDC who will patch as soon as equipment is available

### **Dog Bins /Waste**

NSDC have shelved the issue for 12 months however the Clerk has informed NSDC that they are not the Parish bins but theirs and have been for many years. No further correspondence has been received

This will be an agenda item for May

## **10. Correspondence**

### **Letter from Kewstoke School .Re-School Crossing Person**

The Clerk and other Organisations have requested a breakdown of the costs. It is understood this is happening and information will be available shortly

## **11. Car Parks**

Several emails have been received from Members and Officers of NSDC including an apology from Mr Ap-Rees the portfolio holder.

A debate took place about the ability of NSDC to finish the scheme prior to the season starting which was thought by the Parish impractical.

It was decided to seek a meeting with the NSDC Chief Executive before making any more proposals or comments as there was now real concern as to the ideas and commitment of NSDC other than to raise revenue

## **12. Financial Update:**

### **Cheques for Approval**

Clerks Salary	£ 346.40
Clerks Expenses	£ 64.15
Inland Revenue	£ 86.60
B Thorne	£ 333.98
J Mortimore	£ 187.50
Mikes property services	£500.00
EDF	£231.44
Southern Electricity	£ 14.85
R Palmer (Village Hall payment )	£195.00

All accepted unanimously

Proposed Cllr Vearncombe seconded Cllr Whyte

## **13.Councillor's Reports**

**Cllr Vearncome and Jenkins** asked about the availability of locked Salt bins for spreading on roads during adverse weather. Clerk suspected they would have to be bought and they can be lockable

**Cllr McDonald** highlighted the problem of a light in Southside Crescent which continues to cause problems. Cllr Harper is going to try and get NSDC lighting to find out what keeps going wrong

**Cllr McDonald** raised an issue of access to the defibrillator which was not available to a resident who unfortunately died later. The Chairman has asked the Ambulance Service to investigate why the 999 call procedure did not work in this case, This will be reported back to Council next month

**Cllr T Morris** reported that Croosville Buses are to cease the route in April but understood First Bus will take over the route

**Cllr Harper** raised the issue of the sand now almost blocking the seashore footpath in places. Clerk reported that in his opinion Council could be facing a £500 bill for this work which was not the responsibility of this Council. The Chairman sought permission to spend up to this amount

**Cllr Harper** wanted the trees pruned on the roadside of Crookes Lane on the Village Green. The Clerk suggested again this would be an expensive job but they were the Council's responsibility. Ward Tree Surgeons will be asked to quote.

#### **14.Clerks Resignation**

The Clerk tendered his resignation after 14 years and was moving to Wales.

A debate took place about a successor and a working group would meet to discuss a format to find his replacement

Cllrs thanked the Clerk for his long service to the Parish

#### **14. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 3rd April 2018**

**Meeting closed at 9pm**