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**Chairman: Councillor Tony Horry**

Minutes of the Kewstoke Parish Council Meeting held in the Kewstoke Village Hall on  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018 which commenced at 7.20pm

**Present** J McDonald (Chairman), T Morris, (Vice Chairman), R Adams, C Thomas, K Harper,  
C Bates, R Cunningham, N Whyte and G Vearncombe  
Police PSCO Benfield

**Public Participation (15 minutes)**

None

**1. Opening of the Meeting**

Meeting opened at 7-20pm

**2, Apologies for Absence**

T Horry (Chairman), K Jenkins,  
Liaison Officer N Richards  
Unitary Member Lisa Pilgrim and Roz Willis

**3. Declarations of Interests**

None

**4. Adoption of the Minutes of the Council Meeting of April 3rd 2018**

These were adopted with 2 minor spelling errors

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

Three extra cheque payments agreed

**6. Police Report**

Officer Benfield gave the report  
There were 28 calls during the last month of which 4, were road related,  
3 Threats/Harassment, 2 Welfare. 7 Abandoned 999 calls, 5 Suspicious Vehicles/Persons.  
2 Public Order and 2 ASB  
Several instances of speeding were reported within the village

**7. Unitary Members Report**

None

**8. Highway Issues**

**Traffic Management Work**

A discussion took place about the merits of the scheme and its effectiveness. Concern was expressed about the positioning of many of the signs despite the points made by NSDC Officers. Many Councillors felt the positioning of some signs were wrong and some needed to be taken away.

It was decided to write to NSDC Highways to ask them to review whether the signage was in the correct positions and whether it was as per plan

### **Electronic Speed Sign**

Kewstoke Road was always going to be the venue for these signs and bearing the reports from the police in mind Councillors wished to pursue the possible purchase of 2 units.

Clerk will get a representative to come to the village to see the position and advice

## **9, Other Issues**

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

There were issues on several roads. They were Kewstoke Road, Monks Hill, Sand Road, Lower Norton Lane and Beach Road. Clerk will contact the area Officer for an update on any work to be carried out

### **Dog Bins /Waste**

The Bank holiday proved to be an overspill waste problem and it proved difficult for the Visitors to bin waste. The Orderlies and Councillors had to intervene which is not their job to do so. The collection service has been less than good for some time and the recent attempt to stop collecting dog bins seemed to be making the situation worse as several times they had to be emptied by Parish employees. All Councillors agreed the situation needs a more radical approach, It was decided to invite NSDC Officers who could influence some actions to a meeting to try and plan a strategy for the future

### **Huckers Bow**

Cllr Adams reported that there is to be major work done on Huckers Bow to strengthen the outflow within the Summer months

## **10. Correspondence**

Possible meeting with Kewstoke School

The problems of getting children to school, difficult parking, and other related issues have been passed to Councillors but after a discussion it was felt little gain could come from a meeting with the school as the Parish had no powers to do anything that could effect any outcomes

## **11. Car Parks**

There was no more information available than reported last month.

## **12. Financial Update:**

### **Cheques for Approval**

Clerks Salary	£ 346.40
Clerks Expenses	£ 186.96
Inland Revenue	£ 86.60
B Thorne	£ 355.98
J Mortimore	£ 208.00
Weston Support Services	£ 42.63
Southern Electricity	£ 15.49
T Baker	£ 1006.50
Ward Tree Surgeons	£840.00
R Palmer Toilets	£ 270.00
R Palmer Village Hall	£ 321.03

Village Hall Rent Oct/Nov/Dec	£150.00
N Whyte (village Hall )	£ 462.70
G Haughton( Village Hall)	£ 384.09
Damascio (ice Cream)	£ 428.15
K Harper	£ 365.81

### **12a, Annual Governance Statement 2017/8**

This was approved unanimously proposed T Morris seconded G Vearncombe

**Vote was unanimous**

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

**Cllr Vearncome** reported that all allotment payments had been made and agreements had been filled in

**Cllr Vearcombe** asked if Cllr Morris would look at a crack in the inside of the allotment wall to check if serious. Cllr Morris agreed

**Cllr Adams** was alarmed about the number of residents complaining recently about run off water entering the sewer system around the Crookes Lane area. Clerk will ask Wessex Water to investigate

### **14.New Clerk**

Due to Cllr Horrys illness the timetable has slipped. An attempt to resolve a short list will begin again soon

### **15. Date of Next Meeting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018**