

Kirby Muxloe Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd April 2008 in the council chamber at 7.00pm.

Present – Mrs R Buckingham, Mr D Clements, Mr T Collins, Mrs S Eppel, Mrs E Fleming, Mrs J Greasley, Mr G Hillier, Mrs T Houldridge, Mr A Hurdley, Mr G Norris, Mrs S Stanbridge, Mr G Tansley

In Attendance – Mrs Yvonne Waters (Clerk to the Council)

1. Apologies.

These were received from Mrs Cooke (Working) Mr Griffiths (attending funeral) Mr David Parsons and Mrs Elizabeth Parsons (Attending an official function elsewhere) P C Carl Sutherley.

2. Disclosures of Interest.

None received.

3. Minutes of the meeting held on 6 March 2008.

Mrs Fleming advised there was a discrepancy with the minutes, after investigation it was agreed there was nothing technically incorrect with the content of the minutes and the chairman continued with the agenda.

Taken as read and agreed to be a true and correct record of the meeting, Proposed by Mrs Greasley, Seconded by Mr Hillier and carried.

4. Clerks Report

ASB Road show, The clerk gave details of the above which are run by Steve Parker from Blaby DC, the council would like to take part and asked the clerk to set this up as a separate meeting from the council meetings. **Clerk to action.**

Plastic Bag Amnesty – Mrs Stanbridge gave an update on this initiative.

Parish Plan – Mrs Stanbridge gave a further update, the next step is to hold a public meeting.

Muga – 1 quotation had been received and a further 1 was in the pipeline, the clerk is to obtain 1 more and then the consultation can take place with the local young people, to see which scheme is preferred.

Timkin – The clerk gave members copies of a reply received from David Parsons with regard to the weight restrictions on Desford Road.

The Brook – The clerk advised that the environment agency had been out and tested the water in the brook and no pollution had been found.

Kirby Comment – Magazine now completed and would be distributed as soon as possible, Mrs Buckingham thanked the clerk for the effort made to get the Kirby Comment out, in view of the recent problems.

Kabaddi –The council had been advised that this event has been provisionally booked for 29 June 2008 at Leicester Forest RFC, The clerk has advised Blaby DC and the Police, in view of the problems with noise and parking etc which were encountered two years ago when this event was held.

Contingency Plans – A emergency plan needs to be put in place to cover any eventuality or the absence of the clerk for a prolonged period of time. It was decided to form a sub committee to put this plan together. **Clerk please note and action**

CCTV – Mr Hurdley advised on the situation with regard to the CCTV system, work is scheduled to start on Wednesday 9th April 2008. Mr Hurdley also advised that when the original design was passed a mistake had been made with regard to the camera which is to cover the entrance to the car park, this now needs to be updated to a PTZ, and will incur a further charge of £1750, Proposed Mr Clements Seconded Mr Tansley that the camera be updated, 8 for, 2 against, carried. **Clerk please note and send purchase order for update to Coalway.**

Village Hall Extension – The clerk reported that Mrs Buckingham, Mr Hurdley and herself had met with the chairman of the VH committee Mr Hassell with regard to the proposed extension to the village Hall, no proper plans have been drawn up and until this has been done and the council can see the full extent of the proposals, no further action can be taken.

Insurance Renewal – The clerk advised that the insurance renewal documents had been received, Mr Collins will go through these and report back at the next meeting in May 2008. **Mr Collins please note.**

5. To note the minutes of the Plans & Maintenance Committee meeting held on 11 March 2008.

Noted.

6. To Consider

Cemetery Charge Review – The review has been referred to Plans & Maintenance, the Clerk was asked to get comparative charges from other parishes with cemeteries and report back to Plans & Maintenance. **Clerk please note and obtain comparative charges.**

8.00pm The meeting adjourned at this point for the Public to speak.

Cemetery Problems – A delegation of parishioners attended the meeting with regards to perceived problems in the cemetery and Mrs O Donnell outlined the problems. Vehicles have been seen late at night entering the cemetery, evidence of drug taking has been found, together with used condoms and sanitary wear. The police had been informed and

had apprehended 1 vehicle, although no evidence of drugs or sexual activity had been found. The parishioners and the Parish Council want the police to patrol at regular intervals; this is not possible, due to a lack of transport and resources on the part of the police. After a long discussion, it was decided 1 option is to have gates placed at the entrance to the cemetery, so that this can be locked after dusk. The council will look into the various options of placing gates at the entrance. **Clerk please note and obtain quotations for gates and also a security post as an interim measure.**

8.20 Meeting re convened.

Feedback from Environmental Group – Mrs Eppel

Mrs Eppel reminded the council again of their statutory obligations with regard to biodiversity. The group will report back again to the next meeting with a plan for the next 5 years, **Clerk please place on agenda for next meeting**

7. To approve the order paper.

The clerk presented the order paper, no additions and no transfers required.

Mr Collins raised a query with regard to the amount paid to Leicestershire Scout Council for the new flags for the Scout Group, as he thought the grant was limited to £500, Mrs Greasley advised that the council had agreed to meet the cost of the new flags in full which amounted to £554 and the rest of the invoice was VAT.

Proposed by Mr Hurdley, Seconded by Mr Clements and carried.

8. Delegates Reports

County Councillor - David Parsons – The clerk circulated a copy of Mr Parsons’s report.

District Councillor - Jenny Bell – Mrs Bell gave an update on the smart water initiative and advised she has a further meeting with the Police and Neighbourhood watch representatives at the Police HQ.

Beat Team – PCSO Paul Shine – Paul advised it had been a relatively quiet month. Crime figures were produced which showed a total of 16 incidents in the village for March 08. Mr Tansley asked PCSO Shine what could be done with regards cars that were parked on the pavement, PCSO Shine advised this is no longer a problem for the police and Blaby DC should be contacted in this respect. Mrs Buckingham thanked PCSO Shine for his report.

9 Correspondence

Letters regarding the cemetery had been dealt with under item 6.

Email from Mr Alexander ‘Holly oaks’ Station Road, regarding the damaged fence.

Mr Alexander has advised that if something is not done by the Parish Council to stop people entering his garden from the playing field, he will sue the council. After some discussion it was decided the council should take legal advice on the problem before

replying to Mr Alexander. Proposed Mr Collins, Seconded Mr Tansley and carried. The Clerk was asked to take advice from LAPC and send a short letter to Mr Alexander to this effect before proceeding any further. **Clerk to action accordingly.**

Letter re Moel Leys Planning application – Mr & Mrs Warner
Mrs Fawcett expressed disappointment at the reply sent to Blaby with regard to this planning application. Mrs Fawcett requested that the PC write an additional letter to Blaby DC planning dept covering the points she had raised.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.44pm.

Signed Date