

Kirby Muxloe Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on July 3rd 2008 in the Parish Council Chamber at 7.00pm.

Present Ruth Buckingham, David Clements, Tim Collins, Susan Eppel, Liz Fleming, Jane Greasley, Simon Griffiths, Graham Hillier, Tracy Houldridge, Alan Hurdley, Graham Norris, Su Stanbridge, Gilbert Tansley. PC Carl Sutherley.

In attendance – Mrs Yvonne J Waters – Clerk to the Parish Council

1. Apologies – These were received from Mr David Parsons and Mrs Elizabeth Parsons.

2. Disclosures of Interest – None

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

Taken as read and agreed to be a true and correct record Proposed Mr Hurdley, Seconded Mr Collins and carried.

4. Clerks Report.

Election of councillor to fill vacancy.

2 applications had been received, Mr D Fox and Mr P Jarvis, a ballot took place and the votes were counted by the clerk in full view of the meeting and checked independently by Mr Hurdley, the result was as follows :- Mr Fox received 8 votes, Mr Jarvis received 3 Votes and there were 2 abstentions. Mr Fox was duly elected onto the Parish Council.

ASBO Roadshow.

The clerk was requested to book a date for this with Steve Parker and advise the council accordingly. **Clerk to note and action.**

Muga

The clerk gave an update on the situation with the muga, it is hoped this will be installed in time for the opening to be held on the fund day in September, the opening ceremony was discussed, after much discussion, it was decided to ask 2 young people from the village to open the muga, the youngest in year 6 from the primary school and the oldest at Brookvale who reside in the village. **Clerk to note and arrange accordingly.**

Cemetery Gates

The cemetery gates are due to be installed in the next 2 weeks and the subject of Locking/unlocking was discussed, Mr Potter had offered his services at a small daily cost, but the O'Donnell's and 1 or 2 other residents have offered to do it for free, this offer was taken up and a rota etc to be discussed once the gates are in situ. **Clerk please note and arrange.**

Dog Bin

A resident on Oakcroft Avenue has requested an extra Dog Bin at the bottom of the footpath to millennium way, this was discussed, proposed by Mrs Greasley Seconded by Mrs Fleming and carried. **Clerk please order new dog bin and advise Blaby DC accordingly.**

Football Club

The agreement had been signed and returned by the Football Club, no questions were raised.

Annual Accounts

The accounts had returned from the internal auditors and had now been sent to Clement Keys the external auditors, no questions or queries were raised at all by the internal auditor, Mrs Buckingham thanked Mrs Greasley and the Clerk for their hard work and effort.

CCTV.

The clerk gave an update on the CCTV and the progress to date with the snagging list, the new metal cabinet to house the DVD monitor was on order.

Standing Orders

The clerk advised that the standing orders were last revised in July 2005 and may need updating, the council agreed to get the LAPC to help with this. **Clerk please note and contact LAPC to arrange meeting.**

Primary School extension

The clerk advised that she had received confirmation from County Hall that the temporary classrooms would be housed on the school playing field and not on Parish Council land as was at first envisaged.

5. To note the minutes of the plans & Maintenance meeting.

Noted.

6. To Consider

CCTV Insurance – Mr Collins

Mr Collins gave a very comprehensive summary of the options available with regard to the new CCTV insurance cover, after discussion it was decided to follow the recommendation and pay the additional premium which amounted to £643.77, Proposed by Mr Clements, Seconded by Mrs Greasley and carried. **Clerk to remit additional premium.**

7. Order Paper.

The clerk presented the order paper with additions, Clerks salary, Litter pickers salary and employers tax and insurance.

Proposed Mr Hurdley Seconded Mr Clements and carried.

8.00 Mrs Buckingham adjourned the meeting for the public to speak.

Mr Mark Poulton 3 Windmill Close Ratby, Chairman KM88 JFC. Mr Poulton advised that the Football Club was not happy at being asked to pay rent for the use of 4 football pitches and 2 pavilions, although he had signed the terms and conditions laid down by the PC with no questions asked. He claims to have signed it under duress. A very heated discussion took place with accusations aimed at the clerk and other members of the council, Mrs Buckingham suggested that the football club put their questions in writing to the clerk and the council would arrange a separate meeting to discuss matters. **Clerk please note.**

Mr Poulton, Mr Marshall, and other members of the public then left the meeting.

8.21 Meeting re-convened.

8. To receive delegates reports.

District Councillor – Mrs Jenny Bell

Mrs Bell gave an update on the recent meeting and outcome regarding the proposed Gullet Lane development/conversation area project. A further report is expected at the end of the summer following investigations into the historical and environmental implications.

Bridge – Linden Lane

Several residents had mentioned to Mrs Bell that the shrubbery is blocking the view and making it difficult for motorists coming out of Linden Lane, she has contacted Blaby DC who will arrange to have it cut back.

Number 13 Bus – several elderly parishioners were concerned that the number 13 bus was due to be taken off the route in August leaving them with no way of getting to the doctors or the shops – Mrs Bell would look into this and if necessary take it up with Mr Parsons to see if anything could be done.

Mrs Buckingham Thanked Mrs Bell for her report.

Beat Officer – PC Carl Sutherley

Carl gave the crime figures, which were fairly low. He also outlined an idea that he and the clerk had discussed, and that was: to produce a 1 page monthly news sheet for the village combining matters from the PC and the police – it was agreed by the council this was a good idea and could go ahead. **PC Sutherley and the clerk to organise.**

Smart water – Carl gave a short report on what other Parish Councils are doing to promote this initiative. There was a meeting to be held on July 24th to discuss further and PC Sutherley encouraged councillors to attend if they could.

Speed watch – Pc Sutherley advised that councillor Collins and Hillier are taking up the speed watch scheme and that he would fully support this.

Other Reports

Environmental Committee

Mrs Fleming and Mrs Eppel gave a report on biodiversity and had circulated several papers on environmental issues. Mr Clements intervened at this point and advised that the environmental committee were not acting in accordance with the meeting and that this subject came under the remit of the Plans & Maintenance committee, he advised Mrs Fleming and Mrs Eppel had done things on their own and had not consulted with other members of the Environmental committee, he himself was on that committee and had only been invited to 1 meeting so far. Mrs Buckingham intervened at this point and advised that the approach has to be sensible and things have to be done in moderation. The subject of the remit of the environmental committee would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting. **Clerk please note and place on agenda for August meeting.**

Mrs Eppel then asked if she could arrange for a speaker from Natural England to come and talk to the council, this was agreed.

Parish Plan

Mrs Stanbridge advised that the recent Parish Plan meeting had been a huge success and that a committee of approx 20 people had been formed.

9. Correspondence.

A Consultation document had been received from the PCT, Mrs Buckingham asked for a volunteer to read and report back on this – Mrs Fleming volunteered to do this. **Mrs Fleming please note and action.**

There being no other business to discuss the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Signed **Date**