

Kirby Muxloe Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on September 4th 2008 in the Parish Council Chamber at 7.00pm.

Present- Ruth Buckingham, David Clements, Susan Eppel, Simon Griffiths, Graham Hillier, Tracy Houldridge, Alan Hurdley, Graham Norris, Gilbert Tansley.

In attendance – Mrs Yvonne J Waters (Clerk)

Mrs Buckingham advised the meeting that regretfully she had received the resignation of Mrs Su Stanbridge. The clerk would arrange to advertise the vacancy in accordance with current legislation over the next week or so.

1. Apologies

Mrs Greasley(Holiday) Mr Collins (Holiday) Mrs Fleming (Holiday) Dr Fox (Family Commitment)

2. Disclosures of Interest

None.

3. Minutes of last meeting – 7th August 2008.

The minutes were taken as read and agreed to be a true and correct record of the meeting, Proposed by Mr Tansley, Seconded by Mr Norris and carried.

Mrs Buckingham allowed PC Sutherley to give his report at this stage.

PC Sutherley reported on the months crime figures which were low for the period.

Details of the Community Fun Day on 14th September were discussed.

He had been involved with the County Council and the Highways agency getting youths who had placed graffiti on the motorway bridge on Glenfield Lane to remove it; this had been very successful and hopefully will deter others from being tempted to graffiti.

A community safety day is to be held in the village hall on September 12th with outside bodies coming in to give advice on various topics.

Mr & Mrs Parsons then gave their respective reports.

Mr Parsons – County Councillor

Number 13 bus service – new timetable had been negotiated with the bus company.

New Cycleway and the remodelling of the red cow junction – details given

Mrs Parsons – District Councillor

Mrs Parsons advised she had been involved in trying to prevent flytipping near to the motorway.

She had also been involved in getting graffiti removed.

Mrs Jenny Bell – District Councillor

Mrs Bell had been dealing with the Highways dept regarding speeding traffic on Barry Drive – she was still waiting for a definitive reply.
She was also getting the County Council to remove the weeds which are prevalent along a lot of the gutters in the village.

**8.00pm Mrs Buckingham adjourned the meeting for the public to speak.
Mr & Mrs Andrew Stead, 2 Barry Drive, Kirby Muxloe.**

Mr & Mrs Stead outlined their concerns regarding the care home at 6 Barry Drive as no 4 Barry Drive has recently been acquired by the same company that owns no 6. A discussion followed and Mrs Buckingham assured Mr & Mrs Stead the Parish Council would do all they could to assist.
Councillor Norris would assist Mr & Mrs Stead in gaining any information he could that would assist their case.

Mr & Mrs Stead thanked the Parish Council for their help and left the meeting.

8.30pm meeting re-convened.

4. Clerks Report

Muga Opening – The clerk gave a full update with regard to the MUGA and the arrangements that were in hand for the official opening.

Recycling – The clerk had received a request from Blaby District Council to upgrade the recycling centre on the rear car park, this would entail pressure washing the bins and surface on a regular basis and sighting a new sign which would detail what can be recycled and also the % of recycling the site is achieving. The council agreed this was a move forward and gave permission for the sign to be erected. **Clerk please note and liaise with Blaby DC.**

Primary School – Mrs Buckingham gave an update on what was happening with the school extension.

Parish Seminar – The clerk gave details of the Parish Seminar to be held at Blaby DC on 29th September and urged all members to attend.

War Memorial – The clerk gave an update on progress with regard to the new plaque, quotations were awaited in this respect.

Letter from Inspector Chell – A holding letter had been received from Inspector Chell who had passed the matter on to the local sergeant.

Football Club Update – The clerk reported on the meeting which had been held between 4 members of the FC and the PC, relations were now a lot better and Sean Anderson will take over the liaison between the FC and the Clerk.

Scout Group Flags.

The new flags had now arrived and were to be dedicated at a special service at St Bartholomew's on Sunday 7th September, Tom Ringland had prepared a special dedication service and the Parish Council were invited to attend.

5. To note the minutes of the Plans & maintenance Committee meeting held on September 9th 2008.

Noted.

6. To Consider

Remit of Environmental Group – (Mr Clements)

The remit was adopted in the following format – remove and will monitor Councils progress against its Ecology and Environmental Policy and substitute with 'Monitor Councils progress in accordance with statutory biodiversity requirements'. The committee will report to full council.

Proposed by David Clements. Seconded by Alan Hurdley and carried.

Park, Brook and Pond - Mrs Eppel

See attached report prepared by Mrs Greasley.

Pond.

Mrs Eppel gave details of a voluntary group who could undertake thinning of foliage in the pond at a cost of approx £100. they are fully insured and will work under the supervision of Neil Talbot, after some discussion it was agreed to obtain further information. Proposed by Mr Clements Seconded Mr Norris. Mrs Eppel will pass the contact details to the Clerk to action. **Clerk please note.**

Sustainable Communities Bill – Mrs Eppel

Mrs Eppel advised the Council should opt in to this bill, Proposed Mr Clements Seconded Mr Norris.

Mrs Buckingham thanked Mrs Eppel for her efforts in this respect.

Hedges – Mr Tansley

Mr Tansley was concerned with the state of some of the hedges in the village which were the responsibility of the County Council. The clerk advised Mr Tansley that the PC had a system in place for reporting these problems to her and she would follow up with LCC.

AOB on agenda – Mr Tansley

Mr Tansley brought up the subject of AOB on the agenda, the clerk explained how the agenda works and any items which were considered an emergency could be dealt with between meetings.

Parish Plan and Control by PC – Mr Tansley

Mr Tansley voiced strong concerns at the way the Parish Plan committee was moving and that the Parish Council appeared to have no control over this.

Several items were clarified including the claiming back of VAT and finance as the Clerk was responsible for this aspect. Mrs Eppel would take Mr Tansley's concerns back to the next meeting of the Parish Plan Committee.

7. To approve the Order Paper.

The Clerk presented the order paper to the meeting, this was approved.
Proposed Mr Clements Seconded Mr Griffiths. Carried.

9. Correspondence

Letter from Mr & Mrs A Stead – Already dealt with under public speaking. No further action.

10 Future meetings

Plans & Maintenance – 9 September 7.00pm Parish Council Chamber
Parish Plan – 30 September 2008 7.15pm Parish Council Chamber.

Meeting Closed at 9.09pm

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