

KINGSLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 19 JANUARY 2016 AT 7.30 PM AT KINGSLAND POST OFFICE

PRESENT

R C Smallwood ... CHAIRMAN, Mr C Southgate (VICE CHAIRMAN), Mrs L Juson, Mrs C Sawyers, Mr G Bradley, Mr D Thompson, Mr B J Watkins and Mr D Fordham.

IN ATTENDANCE

Barbara Nurse and Jane Bayliss, Yarpole Good Neighbour scheme; and Mr R Hewitt, Parish Clerk.

- 2016/136** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** accepted from Mrs G B Bengry and Mr P D Vaughan.
- 2016/137** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**
Cllr. Juson declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in planning applications 153484 Station House, and 152726 Land adjacent to Westmead.
- 2016/138** **MINUTES OF MEETING** – The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 November 2015 were agreed and signed.
- 2016/139** **GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME**
Barbara Nurse and Jane Bayliss provided an overview of the Good Neighbour scheme in Yarpole, and offered to help set up a scheme in Kingsland. The key requirement is having sufficient volunteers, including a coordinator. The majority of requests are for help with medical appointments. The PCC is said to be interested, and plans to work with the Yarpole Good Neighbour scheme. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the Yarpole Good Neighbour scheme for sharing their experience and offer to help establish a scheme in Kingsland.
- 2016/140** **SEWAGE INFRASTRUCTURE**
In light of the extensive pumping of the sewage system over Christmas; blocked sections creating areas of standing water which do not drain, such as outside the Coronation Hall; and permitting new development to connect to the sewage system in contradiction to the Herefordshire Council Water Cycle Study - Addendum (Feb. 2015), which states that Kingsland falls within category 1 and "the assessment suggests there is no current capacity"; the parish council **AGREED** to request that Welsh Water attend the next meeting.
- 2016/141** **PROJECTS FOR SECTION 106 FUNDING**
The meeting noted requests from the Coronation Hall and Bowling Club for projects that might be supported by future Section 106 funding. Parish council projects for future Section 106 funding support will be reviewed at a later date.
- 2016/142** **REPORT ON HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL**
There was no report. Ward Cllr. Bowen sent his apologies.

2016/143 LOCAL RESIDENTS DISCUSSION

A member of the public said there are an increasing number of potholes in the village roads. The developer for Croftmead said there will be a number of minor planning amendments which reflect the requirements of the individuals who own the individual self-build plots.

2016/144 CLERKS REPORT

The neighbourhood development plan is at the point of going forward to the next stage, however, the Regulation 16 consultation is being assessed by Herefordshire Council, in particular the ability of the plan to deliver the guideline housing due to the change to the status of a planning application which has removed 12 houses from the plan.

The new fence put up by the landowner alongside KL2 from the Churchyard to Pinsley Brook has been reviewed by Cllr. Bradley in his capacity as footpath officer. Cllr. Bradley confirmed the footpath between the two fences is an appropriate width, and exceeds the guideline in places.

The provisions of automatic enrolment apply to the employees of the parish council, and the Chairman shall write to the Clerk shortly to explain what this means.

A sharp bend warning sign on the A4110 by Chapel Lane has fallen down and been reported to Balfour Beatty. A request has been made to Balfour Beatty for the roads to be swept. The faulty streetlight by the Corners has been reported to Balfour Beatty.

The Coronation Hall has advised that the removal of three trees in December 2015 was undertaken due to their poor condition. Given the proximity of the school and the use of the hall car park by the school and members of the public the trees were removed, and the Coronation Hall has contacted Herefordshire Council in this regard.

The Kingsland Life website is willing to provide the Clerk with direct access to post information on the parish council that is required by the new Transparency Code. The website needs to be refreshed and upgraded, and the parish council agreed to apply for Transparency Code funding to support this work.

2016/145 PLANNING

153404 St Mary's Farm, Kingsland, HR6 9QS – Proposed demolition of existing farm buildings and the residential development of St Mary's Farm with 16 dwellings. 13 new units and 3 to be provided by conversion of barns. The parish council agreed to support the application.

153690 Land to the rear of Boarsfield, Lugg Green Road, Kingsland – Proposed residential development of 14 dwellings. The parish council agreed to object to the proposed plans on the following grounds: the proposed development is outside the village envelope and is contrary to the neighbourhood development plan which has just completed Regulation 16 consultation. The neighbourhood development plan highlights the need to retain the integrity of the settlement boundary. In addition, development in this area of the village will place increased pressure on the crossroads by the Corners Inn, Kingsland, which is already a dangerous crossroads.

Increased traffic within Boarsfield itself as a result of the proposed development is a concern as cars currently park on the road due to the lack of off road parking for the existing houses, and may pose a hazard. The parish council notes that the sewage system proposed is independent of the existing network.

160063 Stone House, Kingsland, HR6 9QJ – Propose to fell Western Red Cedar tree and replant with flowering Cherry tree. The parish council agreed to support the proposed tree works; and agreed for the Chairman to be acting tree representative.

153484 Station House, Kingsland, HR6 9SF – Proposed balcony with French doors. Request for time extension declined by planning officer. The parish council agreed to support the application.

152726 Land adjacent to Westmead, Longford, Kingsland – Proposed 2 no. self build residential dwellings and ancillary garages. The amendment to the planning application was noted.

Planning Decisions – The meeting noted Herefordshire Council has given planning permission for 152254 Land adjacent to Chapel Lane and 152726 Land adjacent to Westmead. Tree works at St Michael's and All Angels Church (153236) may proceed.

2016/146 FINANCE

The following payments were AGREED: Data Orchard, neighbourhood plan (£2,906.67); Data Orchard, neighbourhood plan (£420.00); G Bradley, hi-visibility jacket (£6.00); Society of Local Council Clerks, subscription 2016 (£77.00); G B Bengry, Rose for the Monument (£17.99); HMRC, PAYE for period to 5 January 2016 (£133.40); and R Bayliss, footpaths (£147.00).

2016/147 SECTION 106 RESOLUTION RE: HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENTS

Herefordshire Council has said Balfour Beatty is reviewing the budget and programme for next year, including Section 106 works, and intends to undertake the agreed work to provide 6 x dropped kerbs during 2016-17. The parish council agreed to provide a week before taking the matter further in line with resolution 2016/128 agreed on 24 November 2016. In addition, the parish council expressed concern that all the section 106 monies agreed under NW07/1214/F Croftmead, not just for highways improvements, are allocated and spent as agreed, and would like this reassurance from Herefordshire Council.

2016/148 SPEEDING TRAFFIC

The meeting raised a number of options to address this issue. It was agreed to hire two Speed Indicator Devices during March 2016, and consider the matter again at the next meeting.

2016/149 CAMPAIGN TO INSTALL A ROUNDABOUT AT LAWTONS CROSS

The parish council agreed that work was required to improve the safety of the junction, but was not convinced that this extended to the construction of a roundabout, and decided not to participate in the proposed campaign.

2016/150 CONSULTATION ON EARDISLAND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The consultation was noted.

2016/151 MATTERS RAISED FOR THE NEXT MEETING (no discussion)

Proposed weight limit on roads to direct heavy goods vehicles via Lawtons Cross.

2016/152 INFORMATION ITEMS

Noted.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.58 pm.

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