

KINGSLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018 AT THE VILLAGE SHOP AND CAFE

PRESENT Mr R C Smallwood... CHAIRMAN, Mr D Thompson... VICE CHAIRMAN, Mrs C Sawyers, Mrs G B Bengry, Mrs L Juson, Mr J Vaughan, Mr B J Watkins, and Mr P D Vaughan.

IN ATTENDANCE Ward Cllr. S Bowen; and Mr R Hewitt, Clerk. There were nine (9) members of the public present.

2018/177 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Mr D Fordham and Mr C Southgate.

2018/178 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Cllr. Smallwood declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in planning application 180687 The Granary.

2018/179 CO-OPT NEW MEMBER

Postponed to the next meeting. A note will be placed in the parish newsletter to ask for expressions of interest.

2018/180 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – The Minutes of the Meetings held on 13 and 19 February 2018 were agreed and signed.

2018/181 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Planning services has provided a note via Ward Cllr. Bowen in respect of the weight given to the neighbourhood development plan in considering application 180077, 1 Highfield Close. It was agreed to ask planning services to the April meeting of the parish council. Ward Cllr. Bowen kindly agreed to request that the planning application is referred to Herefordshire Council's planning committee.

2018/182 REPORT ON HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

Ward Cllr. Bowen said Herefordshire Council has a new leader, and a new cabinet is due to be appointed shortly. General scrutiny will be looking at museum, library and archive services. The archive in particular provides an excellent service from a very modern facility. The council is required to provide a 'reasonable library service'. The display of 6,000 poppies at the cathedral is very impressive and well worth a visit.

2018/183 LOCAL RESIDENTS DISCUSSION

A member of the public presented a 147 signature petition which objects to the "parish council's intention to alter traffic signs on the B4529 at Burnt House and the A4110 at Lawton Cross". Ward Cllr. Bowen said a full survey of traffic movements in north west Herefordshire will be undertaken by Herefordshire Council, which is expected to use the survey to suggest ways to improve the way HGVs and other vehicles are signposted. A member of the public expressed concern at the size of HGVs using the smaller roads in the county.

A member of the public said guidance indicates that it should be possible to introduce a Traffic Regulation Order to introduce a weight restriction on Hostel Lane, Cobnash, where hedgerows and the edge of the highway are being eroded.

A member of the public said the proposed speed limit between the car auction and Lawton Cross should be extended higher up the A4110 towards Kingsland village, and said the main section which has a problem with speeding will not be covered by the speed limit as it stands. Ward Cllr. Bowen said it is a possibility and is being considered by the highway authority.

2018/184 CLERKS REPORT

West Mercia Police have been asked to provide an update on the request to operate a Community Speed Watch scheme. The Bowling Club has been referred to the Section 106 officer at Herefordshire Council following an enquiry about funding to support access improvements to the club house. Quotations for the repair of the wall at the Corners crossroads have been shared with the landowner. The highways improvements plan agreed with Balfour Beatty should be in the Annual Plan for 2018-19 according to the section 106 officer. The £15,000 precept has been confirmed by Herefordshire Council, which is equivalent to £31.61 per year for a band D property. A place has been booked on the free General Data Protection Regulation training being provided by Herefordshire Council on 16 March 2018. The date of the Parish Briefing by Balfour Beatty at the Kingsland depot has changed to 10 April 2018.

2018/185 PLANNING I

[Cllr. Sawyers left the meeting.]

180641 Cornhill Poultry Farm, Kingsland, HR6 9PZ – Demolition of existing life expired poultry houses, and replace with two modern poultry buildings, with ancillary structures such as feed bins, etc. The planning application was supported.

2018/186 FINANCE

The following payments were AGREED: Kingsland Village Shop, meetings (£230.00); Hitrees Ltd., lengthsman (£153.60); and R Bayliss, footpaths maintenance (£36.85).

The parish noticeboard by the Coronation Hall has been damaged and the cost of repair has been claimed via the parish council's insurance policy. The repair will be carried out by the lengthsman based on the £590.00 (plus VAT) estimate provided.

The Clerk was given delegated authority to spend up to £1,000.00 between meetings in the event of an emergency or unexpected need, in consultation with the Chairman or Vice Chairman.

2018/187 HIGHWAYS/ LENGTHSMAN SCHEME

Ward Cllr. Bowen said Longford and North Road, Kingsland should be high on the list of roads for resurfacing from April 2018 by Herefordshire Council. Road sweeping and clearing of gullies are supported in the programme for Balfour Beatty.

The Annual Maintenance Plan for lengthsman and P3 footpaths work in 2018-19 has been submitted to Balfour Beatty.

2018/188 P3 FOOTPATHS

Cllr. Juson said the village has really come together. Funds raised at a coffee morning will pay to stone footpath KL1 from the church to the brook. Two stiles need to be replaced. Balfour Beatty has said that there is insufficient stock at present and it was agreed to purchase the stiles from an alternative provider.

2018/189 SPEED LIMIT, A4110 AT LAWTON CROSS

An amendment to the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to implement the 40 mph speed limit on the A4110 between Lawton Cross and Kingsland was supported. The amendment is to extend the speed limit along the C1035 for approximately 90 metres.

2018/190 LORRY ROUTING STRATEGY

It was decided to put the proposed lorry signing and traffic island on hold to allow for the consideration of a full survey of traffic movements in the north west of the county which is being undertaken by Balfour Beatty/ Herefordshire Council.

2018/191 REVIEW OF FLOOD ZONE

It was agreed to request that the flood risk assessment for the parish is updated to reflect new technology such as LIDAR readings. Ward Cllr. Bowen kindly agreed to talk to planning services about the appropriate process for doing this.

2018/192 PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

The parish council agreed to publish a summary of the key points from each meeting in the parish newsletter. The editor has kindly made a page available for this purpose.

2018/193 GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)

Cllr. J Vaughan kindly agreed to join a GDPR working group. Cllrs. Sawyers and Fordham were asked to join the working group. The Clerk will contact the working group after attending training sessions on GDPR.

2018/194 REVIEW OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS, 2018-19

It was agreed to amend three meeting dates to 24 April, 29 May and 31 July 2018.

2018/195 MATTERS RAISED FOR THE NEXT MEETING (no discussion) – Time taken for the planning authority to make planning decisions.

2018/196 PLANNING II

[The Chairman left the meeting. The Vice Chairman chaired the meeting.]

180687 The Granary, Kingsland, HR6 9RU – Removal of beech tree. The proposed tree work was supported, and it was agreed to request that two appropriate trees are planted elsewhere on the site to replace the amenity provided.

Planning Decisions/ Enforcement – Herefordshire Council has granted planning permission for: 1 Three Owls (180070). Enforcement has requested no further work takes place on the Boarsfield site pending the outcome of a reserved matters application (172847).

2018/197 INFORMATION ITEMS

The information items on the agenda were noted.

The Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 9.28 pm.

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