KINGSLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT 7.30 PM ON TUESDAY 23 JULY 2019 AT THE VILLAGE SHOP AND CAFE

PRESENT: Mrs C Sawyers (Chairman), Mr G Bradley (Vice Chairman), Mr R Bayliss, Mr R Harris, Mr D Fordham, Mr J Vaughan, Mr B J Watkins and Mr P D Vaughan.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ward Cllr. S Bowen; and Mr R Hewitt, Clerk. Three (3) members of the public were present.

2019/244 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received from Mrs L Juson and Mrs S Rowsell.

2019/245 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – None.

2019/246 CO-OPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Deferred to the next meeting.

2019/247 MINUTES OF MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 2019 were agreed and signed.

2019/247 REPORT ON HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

Ward Cllr. Bowen said the roundabout at Lawton Cross is expected to be built this year, though a date has yet to be confirmed. The cabinet is to meet later this week to consider a decision on the southern link road and Hereford bypass projects.

[Cllr. Bayliss joined the meeting.]

A briefing from children's services highlighted the challenges of the service, which is just about fully staffed and has a hard-working team.

2019/248 LOCAL RESIDENTS DISCUSSION

A member of the public said HGVs cross the centre of the road when entering Hostel Lane (C1037), and shared photos showing this. A member of the public said this also was a problem on a narrow section of the A4110 at Shirlheath. It was agreed to consider this at the next meeting.

2019/249 CLERK'S REPORT/ MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS

A new parish council matters article has been submitted to the newsletter. 30mph wheelie bin stickers are available now from the shop or via the Clerk. Residents have been asked whether they are interested in participating in the smartwater scheme promoted by the Police and Crime Commissioner. A free website seminar for parish councils by Fastershire is on 14 August 2019. A pre-application has been submitted to the War Memorials Trust for a grant to renovate the Monument.

2019/250 PLANNING

192212 Old Hill Barn, Eyton, HR6 0BZ – Extension & Alterations to existing dwelling. *The planning application was supported.*

192252 York House, Mortimers Cross, HR6 9TG – Variation of a conditions 6, 10, 11, 12 and 13 following planning permission 172709 (demolition of existing and proposed new dwelling) amendments to access. Retrospective. *There was no objection to the proposed variation of conditions*.

192400 Plot 2, Kingsland Court, Kingsland, HR6 9RU – Propose to fell T1 Oak. Replace with a new tree in a more appropriate position on the plot. *The parish council decided to object to the proposed removal of the T1 Oak. The Oak tree is a healthy 40-year-old tree that should have been considered when the design of the property was changed in application 190150 when the drawings provided did not appear to include any landscaping.*

KNDP6, #3 states that "Trees and hedgerows should be an integral part of any new development as essential components of the rural character of Kingsland Village. And this is supported in KNDP 14, g) which states that "Development shall not adversely affect important features or sites of biodiversity interest, in particular important trees, orchards and hedgerow cover...".

The parish council believes the T1 Oak is an important tree, and as such should be retained, and requests that the T1 Oak is protected through a Tree Preservation Order.

192316 Lawtonbury Farm, Eardisland, HR6 9AX – Erection of building and installation of 2 no Bio-Mass boilers and associated plant. *The application was supported, subject to a condition that the flues are dark green to minimise their impact on the landscape.* **192435 8 Boarsfield, Kingsland, HR6 9SN** – Proposed new dwelling. Demolition of existing single storey extension and erection of a replacement two storey extension to existing dwelling. *The planning application was supported.*

Planning Decisions/ enforcement – Herefordshire Council has granted planning permission for 191695 Plot 2 Cobnash House; 191648 Holgate Farm; and 191336 Blackhall. Listed building consent has been granted for 191772 Blackhall. Approval of reserved matters has been granted for 183125 Land to the south of Martindale. Works to trees within a conservation area have been granted for 191766 Fairfield.

2019/251 FINANCE

The following payments were AGREED: Greenbarnes Ltd., parish noticeboard (£760.69); K Isaaks (Smartwheelie), wheelie bin stickers (£179.50); and R Bayliss, footpaths maintenance (£96.00). It was agreed to donate £180.00 to Kingsland Life to cover the cost of website maintenance and SSL certificate.

2019/252 HIGHWAYS/ LENGTHSMAN SCHEME

The meeting considered a letter from the leader of Herefordshire Council concerning major transport infrastructure projects, and agreed to write to the leader of Herefordshire Council and responsible Cabinet Member expressing the strong support of the parish council for the planned Hereford bypass, which is considered vital to the future prosperity of the county.

The lengthsman is to quote for work to replace the posts around the Monument and will be working on Chapel Lane.

2019/253 P3 FOOTPATHS

There was no report from the footpaths officer.

2019/254 OLD PARISH NOTICEBOARD

The old noticeboard is being stored by the lengthsman. Options for its use in the future were considered. A decision was deferred pending further consideration of the matter.

2019/255 HALC TRAINING

HALC will be asked to hold an in-house course at Kingsland for all members of the parish council.

2019/256 ADOPTED TELEPHONE KIOSK

The parish council agreed to convert the adopted kiosk into mini library or book exchange. The lengthsman will be asked to provide a quote to install shelving and repaint the kiosk.

2019/257 CONSULTATION ON A4110 SPEED LIMIT

The proposal regarding the 40mph speed limit on the A4110 at Kingsland was supported.

2019/258 POLLING DISTRICTS, PLACES AND STATIONS CONSULTATION

The consultation was noted.

2019/259 LOCAL CONNECTION COMMITTEE

The parish council agreed to appoint new members to the local connection committee to support the process with Herefordshire Housing, whereby the parish council is asked to confirm the local connection of applicants. The following members were appointed: Cllrs. Bradley, Fordham, J Vaughan and Watkins. The committee will meet between parish council meetings as required. The committee will only meet if the local connection cannot be considered at a scheduled parish council meeting due to the requirement for a prompt response.

2019/260 MATTERS RAISED FOR THE NEXT MEETING (no discussion) – Cobnash roads and speed limit; and review of neighbourhood development plan.

2019/261 INFORMATION ITEMS

The information items on the agenda were noted.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.24 pm.

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