

# KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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## To all Parish Councillors

Members are reminded that the council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety, and Human Rights.

Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting of Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Present:

Mark Strange (Chair)

Tony Williams

Christine Nugent

Neil Green

John O'Connell

Karen Saunders

Stephen Andrews (CDC)

Steve Trotter (CDC)

Teresa Griffin (Clerk)

1. **Apologies:** Phil Nickson and Dom Morris
2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 were approved.
3. **Disclosure of member's interests:** None
4. **Dispensation requests:** None
5. **Matters Arising:** None.
6. **Questions from members of the public:** None present.
7. **County Councillor's Report:** Not present.
8. **District Councillors Report:** -
  - Topics likely to be included at the Full Council Meeting tomorrow were given
  - At the Cabinet Meeting held 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022 the following was discussed –
    - Using Government funding to look at development options at Cirencester Old Station
    - Green Economic Growth Strategy Update
    - UK Shared Prosperity Funding
    - Financial Council Priority and Service Performance Report
    - Local Plan Update – progress is being made and the main thing is a Statement of Common Ground to share common interests with neighbouring authorities.
    - Legal Service Commissioning Review.
  - The Overview & Scrutiny Meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> June concentrated on the Cotswold Water Park and the project which is wholly based on the western side of the Water Park. We continue to press for someone to recognise the eastern side. Parish Councillors and the Clerk advised they received information on a survey being carried out on transport in the Water Park today, and this was focusing on the western side only.
  - The Cotswold Canal Open date at Inglesham Lock is on 23<sup>rd</sup> July
  - The Cirencester Master Plan Development Workshop held on 15<sup>th</sup> June focused on getting people to Cirencester rather than looking at other Market Towns such as Fairford and Lechlade
  - Problems remain in the Planning Department and the last planning committee meeting had to be cancelled.
  - Footpaths – good progress is being made in respect of the proposed southern route of the multi-user footpath from Fairford to Lechlade with an increasing likelihood that the southern route will prove to be deliverable in a relatively short timeframe. Lakes by Yoo are now looking at the route in more detail. Sustrans are starting on the next phase in early September, which includes traffic surveys and talking to landowners.
  - The Ward visit by the Chief Executive didn't happen due to Covid and will be re-scheduled
  - CDC meeting with Town and Parish Councils – There was low attendance at the Cirencester meeting.
  - RIAT – The emergency planning normally requires CDC to be involved. This year CDC declined.
9. **Kempsford Parish Council**
  - **Update on Hazel View Land Transfer** – A site meeting was held between GCC Highways and Persimmon on the 7<sup>th</sup> July and an Agenda/Actions spreadsheet from the meeting has been forwarded for comment. It was agreed to respond stating how disappointed the Parish Council was not to have been invited. Clarification over the £5,000 S106 payment needs to be given.
  - **Update from meetings attended** –
    - Lake 103 & 104 – The next monthly meeting will be discussing the leisure facility.
    - Mark Strange attended a meeting in the School Hall arranged by Rev Kim Brown to discuss setting up a Community Hub to provide hot meals once a month during the winter. A Stroud Group called 'The Long Table' attended to share their experience. Funding for this type of activity does seem to be available if enough volunteers could be recruited. The next step is for people interested in helping to attend a couple of The Long Table sessions.

- Karen Saunders reported on the Whelford Speedwatch Group – Sessions were stopped during RIAT. The new speed gun has arrived and Dave Holland will collect the Police kit shortly. It would appear that the Autospeedwatch system is going to take some time.
- Karen Saunders reported on the Kempsford Village Hall Meeting –
  - \* They would like Mark Strange to give them some advice on the card payment system.
  - \* The garden will be strimmed in the next few days and then hopefully it can be mowed. Tony Williams suggested they talk to Rob Mitchell.
  - \* The meeting room has been cleared out and will be available to hire at £6 per hour. A Craft group will be hiring it on the first and third Thursday from September.
  - \* Bingo – The gambling rules have been checked and they can hold around 12 events a year.
  - \* Accounts have been submitted to the Charity Commission and there is currently £17,415 in the bank.
  - \* The roof project will be looked at under a separate fundraising group.
  - \* Quotes are being obtained to replace the doors. Quotes received to date are around the £5,000 mark. Stephen Andrews suggested Cotswold Doors, as a local company, could be approached.
  - \* Fete 10<sup>th</sup> September – will include mini sports day, table top car boot, classic cars, refreshments from the Café, ice cream van. The George Pub has been asked to operate from the Village Hall Car Park, and if unavailable the Cotswold Chippy will be asked. Yoga, karate and donkeys will showcase in the school playground. A road closure will be applied for.
  - \* A Vice-chair needs to be elected at the next meeting.
- **Resident’s reports to Councillors –**
  - Cutting back of the unclassified Highway from Washpool Lane to High Bridge – Tony Williams advised that it is the responsibility of Glos. Highways and adjacent landowners. Glos. Highways have given it a report number. He will also speak to the adjacent landowners.  
Phil Nickson has also raised the issue of Himalayan Balsam in the area and has suggested putting a piece in the next newsletter. It was suggested he discuss with Robert Mitchell.
  - Elderflower at John of Gaunt/Tuckwell Road – The Clerk was asked to chase up the quote for removing it. The tree that was previously coppiced in this area appears to have died.
  - RIAT – complaints were received regarding the lack of mobile phone signal during RIAT. This will be raised at the wash-up meeting. Christine Nugent advised that mobile phone operators were asked to put up additional masts during the period but it was thought that EE were the only provider to do so.
  - Reports of a camper on the grass verge opposite the Parsonage – The Police and Highways were notified and they moved on.

## 10. Planning & Licensing –

Ref.	Location	Proposal/development	Decision
SNN301357	Oakley Flats, Kempsford	Street name query	Agreed new properties to be named as an extension to Oakley Court and ‘Oakley Flats’ to be removed from address
GCC 21/0032/CWMAJM	Former RAF Down Ampney Airfield	Mineral extraction – further information in relation to Environmental Statement	Further comments on access location & restoration
21/0098/CWS73M	Manor Farm Quarry, Kempsford	Variation of conditions to remove high permeable pathways – response from Agent to matters raised by EA	New information noted
C/22/00476/PRMA	Jenner’s Barn, Whelford	New Premises Licence	No objection
22/02175/FUL	Coln Park	Full application for change of unit design for, and siting of, Plot W.22	Object – encroachment on Conservation Lake/Country Park/SSSI
22/02283/FUL	No.1 Lane End, Whelford	Full application for change of outflow from the existing Sewerage Treatment Plant. Construction of a new drainage field under the rear garden of No.1 Lane End	No objection

**11. Finance**

1. The following bills were approved to be paid:-

002257	CDC (Newsletter printing)	£80.99
002258	SSE (power Dunfield defib/Reevey sign)	£5.13 inc. VAT
002259	J&T Chesterman (Whelford grass May/Jun)	£260.00
002260	T Griffin (speed gun, batteries & hi-viz jackets)	£212.13 inc. VAT
002261	John O'Conner (Kempsford grass July)	£234.24 inc. VAT
002262	T Griffin (wages & use of home)	£513.05
002263	HMRC (PAYE)	£69.80
Receipts since last meeting: Bank Interest		£0.60

2. The Finance Report was agreed and approved.

12. **Clerks Report** – Nothing to report.

13. **Correspondence** –

All correspondence received via email has been circulated.

14. **Date of next meeting** – 16<sup>th</sup> August 2022

Meeting ended at 9.35pm

Copies:- Mrs Nugent, Mr Green, Mrs Saunders, Mr Williams, Mr Nickson, Mr Strange, Mr O'Connell, CD.Cllrs, C.Cllrs.