

Minutes of the Kempley Parish Council
held at Kempley Village Hall on Thursday 14th September 2017 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr S Hanes
Cllr G Bennett
Cllr B Andrews
Cllr G Young
Cllr Bennion
Cllr R Roberts
Cllr Rees
Clerk
District Cllr R Yates
Members of the public

111/17 Open discussion for local residents to raise local issues

Issues and Questions:

- 1) Katie Osmond Chair Kempley Village Trust asked whether the Parish Council have been able to consider the development of the village hall. Parish Council stated that the Village Plan is due to be published and the feasibility of the hall will be discussed as part of the Village plan.
- 2) District Cllr Yates was welcomed and reported that the local district Councils including West Oxfordshire, Gloucester, Forest of Dean and Cotswolds have appointed Publica, shared services company for cost savings. He explained that there are new regulations restricting District Cllrs to a specific timeline when commenting on planning permission applications which have frustrated him and his colleagues. He is in the process of challenging these new regulations which have been adopted nationally since he feels they prevent him from representing the views and concerns of his constituents.
- 3) Members of the public welcomed this new item of the agenda but questioned whether they could have an opportunity for a forum at the end of the meeting. Parish Council stated that they will need to check whether general Parish Council Standing Orders will allow this and want to initially trial this new meeting format.
- 4) Cllr Bennion will organise tea and coffee for the next meeting.

112/17 Apologies

There were no apologies.

97/17 Declarations of interest

Cllr Rees declared an interest in the Kiosk

98/17 Minutes of meeting Thursday 18th July 2017

The minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting and were signed by the Chairman.

99/17 Matters Arising

Neighbourhood Watch: Parish Councillors are keen for this role to be covered from September 2017. The Clerk agreed that they will start immediately and inform the

that it should be sited in the bus shelter.

Action: Cllr Hanes to organise a maintenance visit for defibrillator, to organise training for the public and to remove the lock from the defibrillator sited on the Village hall.

105/17 Notice Board at Fishpool

Parish Council approved a new notice board to be made for Fishpool.

106/17 Items for future agenda

New standing orders to be discussed at a future meeting

Village plan-may potentially need an additional meeting to discuss

The budget and figures for precept

107/17 Any other business

Cllr Roberts thanked Cllr Hanes and Cllr Bennett for interviewing the clerks. Cllr Roberts invited all Cllrs to the meeting arranged by Paul Hyatt new Labour representative on 26th October. Parish Council agreed for Cllr Roberts to attend.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 9th November 2017

Chairman thanked all for attendance and with no further business closed the meeting.

Signed.....*Lina Roberts*.....

Date.....*9th Nov 17*.....

council on the time commitment since it was initially agreed that the Clerk will work 3 hours a week this financial year and 4 hours from April 2018 and any additional hours this year may impact on the budget.

Action: Cllr Young to contact past Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator for info and handover

Caravan on land opposite Little Hoopers: Clerk reported that they had contacted planning enforcement technician, Ryan Morgan for the outcome of the investigation but had not yet had an update.

Building work at Kempley House:

Action: Clerk to chase Ryan Morgan about this potential planning violation.

100/17 Clerks Report and Finances

Councillors expressed confusion over the budget.

Cheque 341 for £17.96 for inland revenue for Clerk salary authorised and signed.

Cheque 342 £297.50 for Clerk salary and expenses was authorised and signed.

Cheque 343 £203.00 for village plan publicity authorised and signed.

Action: Clerk to clarify the budget at next meeting

101/17 Parking and Access at 1 Beauchamp Villas

Two Rivers have reported that they are not concerned about their tenants' removal of the hedge. The attending members of the public expressed that they were unhappy with this response and have requested that Parish Council investigate further.

Action: Cllr Roberts to write a stronger letter to Two Rivers and Parish Council to potentially seek legal advice from GAPTC.

102/17 Printing of the Village/Community Plan

Parish Council reviewed the 4 quotes that had been obtained by Cllr Bennion and approved a quote for £1113 which covered design, artwork and printing. Parish Council congratulated Cllr Bennion on completion of this project.

Action: Cllr Bennion and Clerk to discuss circulation on completion of printing the plan

103/17 Demonstration on the Parish Council Website

Cllr Bennion showcased the new website and Parish Council and members of the public were pleased with the result.

Action: Councillors to send their completed bio in the first person and photo to Clerk.

Action: Cllr Bennion to arrange to add a button from Parish Council website to Kempley Portal, map, and sat nav destination and check if the new website is compatible with all platforms.

104/17 Siting of defibrillator on the Green

B Jarvis and attending members of the public expressed their concern over the siting of the defibrillator in the kiosk citing issues around leasing the kiosk to The Friends of Kempley Churches' Kempley Tardis project, ease of use of defibrillator and aesthetics of the iconic phone box. Parish Council explained that additional costs would be incurred if it was placed in the bus shelter due to the absence of an electricity supply. Members of the public stated that they would be prepared to contribute towards the increased costs to place it in the bus shelter. A vote was conducted and there was a unanimous decision