

Kings Clipstone Village Council

Village Council Meeting

10th March 2014

Minutes of the meeting of the Village Council of Kings Clipstone, held on the Monday 10th March 2014 in the Community Room, Sherwood Forest Holiday Park, Gorsethorpe Lane, Kings Clipstone, Nottinghamshire. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr M. Bradley (Chair of the Council)
Cllr J. Govan
Cllr J. Harbottle
Cllr S. Parkhouse
Cllr J. Smyth
Mr M Plumb (Clerk to the Council)

Also present: 12 member of the Public

144/14 Apologies for Absence

Cllr M. Maguire,
Cllr M. Rowe
District Cllr S. Soar

145/14 Declarations of Interest

None

146/13 Minutes – Village Council Meeting 10th February 2014

Subject to the following amendment, the minutes of the Village Council meeting held on the 10th February 2014 were **APPROVED** as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair.

- Minute 129 and 130/14. Re-number to 142/14 and 143/14 respectively.

147/14 Questions/Statements from Members of the Public

- Mr Keith Laver asked who, in the Village Council, determines the contents of the agenda for Council meetings. Cllr S. Parkhouse replied making it clear that it was, in law, the Clerks responsibility to prepare and issue the Council agenda. It was generally accepted, that for reasons of good communication and standards of practice, the Clerk always confers with the Council Chairman before issuing the agenda, and this additional requirement is applied in Kings Clipstone's case.
- Mr Laver then asked why a communication from the Clerk concerning a planning application had been issued before a formal agreement at a Council meeting. The Clerk explained that because a previously specified date, (by which comments upon a planning matter were required), was early, he had conferred informally with Village Councillors direct and had been given the Councillors consensus views. These had been passed onto the Planning Authority, but with the proviso that formal confirmation would be given at the next full Council meeting. (That matter is to be debated in open session, later in this meeting). Comments were expressed by members of the public in relation to the particular planning application (above) and also the future planning, design and development for the Village. These were noted by Councillors.

- Mr Collins asked about the nature of the relationship between the “Celebration of Kings Clipstone” group and the Kings Clipstone Village Councillors. Councillors responded explaining that the two organisations were entirely separate bodies, with separate constitutions and policies.
- Mrs Ivey Redfern reported that the traffic lights at the junction of the Dog and Duck Public House had been serviced.

148/14 County Councillors Report

No report was made or discussions held under this item of business.

149/14 District Councillors Report

No report was received or discussed held under this item of business.

150/14 Village Councillors Reports/Statement

- Cllr S. Parkhouse reported that he is continuing to monitor the new guttering on the bus shelter in order to assess, amongst other things, the effect on falling leaves at the rear of the shelter.
- The Chairmen Cllr M. Bradley reported upon her discussions with a District Council Planning Officer concerning the neighbourhood plans. She suggested that the Village Council form a working group to investigate and plan the next steps. The meeting **AGREED** and appointed Cllr M. Bradley, J. Govan, J. Harbottle and S. Parkhouse to form the working group.
- Cllr J. Harbottle reported that new grants were becoming available from the County Police Authority toward projects aimed at improving Community safety.

151/14 Planning Consultation

a) Extensions to Culloden House – 13/01848/FUL

The meeting examined the plan and details and concluded that the proposed development was well screened from all directions and that the development was compatible within the Local Environment. No adverse impact upon the Village environment was noted. It was **AGREED** that no observations be offered upon this proposal.

b) Tourist accommodation – Main Rd, Kings Clipstone – 14/00137/FUL

The meeting reviewed the details and plans in relation to planning policies issued for considering application of this nature. The meeting **noted** that the date for submission of observation had been extended, but that the Clerk had submitted a provisional and draft objection to the proposal based upon informal consultations with Councillors.

After a full discussion, the meeting **confirmed unanimously** that subject to the final wording being agreed by all Councillors, the Councils **strong** objection to this proposal be confirmed and submitted to the District Council.

c) Extension to Holiday Cabins 14/00319/FUL

The meeting examined the details of this proposal and concluded that the development concerned was already well screened by existing woodland and had little impact on the Local environment. It was **AGREED** that no objections be offered upon this proposal.

152/14 Confirmation Date for Bridleways Modification Order (7/2/814)

The Clerk reported that the modification order for the Bridleways no 55 (Warsop) and no 17 (Clipstone) had now been confirmed by the County Council and came into force on the 7th February 2014. The meeting **NOTED** this report.

153/14 Publication of Minutes on the Village Council Website

The Clerk reported that he had now “e-mailed” all Village Council minutes back to 2013 to the District Council Website Manager (Helen Bayne) for inclusion in the Village Council Website. Minutes of meetings prior to 2013 will be sent shortly, together with dates of meetings and contact details. Helen will be considering how best to display these minutes on the web site. The meeting **NOTED** this report.

154/13 Maintenance Contract – Kings Clipstone Recreation Field

The Clerk reported that he had requested from the County Council the accounts for this work carried out during the current year. He had also asked for an estimate for continuing this work in 2014/15. He had been advised that any increase in cost would be about 2%. The current year budget includes £1,000 for this work and a 2% rise would not significantly increase this cost. Councillors expressed their satisfaction with the standards of maintenance by the County Council. The meeting **NOTED** this report.

155/14 Accounts for Payment

The meeting **APPROVED** the following payments.

<u>Chq No</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Net Cost</u>
025	M. Plumb	Salary/Expense February 2014	£240.33
026	Post Office (HMRC)	PAYE February 2014	£47.60

156/14 Date of Next Meeting

14th Aril 2014 Annual **Parish** Meeting following by **Village Council** Meeting.

There being no further business, the Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 8.40pm.