

Kings Clipstone Parish Council



Minutes of the Meeting of Kings Clipstone Parish Council on 4th May 2021 at 7.45pm online via Zoom.

Present: Cllr A Stanley
Cllr P Bromley
Cllr L Shaw-Browne (present from item 8.00pm, during item 19 which was done first)
Cllr C Hunt
Cllr M Smith

In attendance: Frances Ford, Clerk

Apologies: N/A

1. Welcome

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2. Apologies for absence

Unanimously approved.

3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda

There were none.

4. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 8th March 2021.

The minutes were unanimously approved by all present at the meeting and signed by the Chair.

5. County Councillor's Report

C/Cllr Peck reported that there was a budget meeting on 25th February for 9 hours. A budget was passed and will mean a council tax rise of 2% plus 1% adult social care precept. Cllr Peck voted against the budget as it contained a proposal to spend £2.8m on new offices across the county, and with so many people working from home and uncertainty for the future when Covid is over, it would have been better to postpone the decision until after the pandemic.

C/Cllr Peck advised that speed limit signs are now up on the B6030 between Kings Clipstone and Cavendish Park island bringing the limit to 50mph. Potholes have been reported around the bridge at the end of Gorsethorpe Lane.

6. Correspondence from Residents

The Clerk had received correspondence asking for up to date minutes only

7. Village Councillors report

Cllr Hunt reported that a resident had approached her regarding resident only parking signs being put up, particularly on Holbrook Crescent as people are parking to then go and cycle before later returning and the views to enter and leave junctions are obstructed. A discussion took place and it was unanimously approved to look into the legalities further.

8. Questions / Statements from members of the public

There were none.

9. Planning Matters

a. Applications received:

21/00834/FUL | Eastfield Cottage Farm, Clipstone Road

Change of use of part of field from agriculture to tourism for campsite including drive widening works

It was unanimously approved to make no comment.

b. Decision notices:

21/00140/FUL | Severn Trent Water Ltd Pumping Station, Waterworks Drive

Full permission granted for installation of a UV kiosk

The decision was noted.

10. To discuss and agree on whether to order potential extra litter bin for litter picks

The Clerk made the council aware of a scheme to get a free wheelie bin for litter picks from NSDC. A discussion took place and given there are already issues with the wheelie bins on the B6030 being abused, the vote was as follows; 1 vote for, 2 against and 2 councillors abstained from the vote.

11. To discuss heating for the hut, and approve purchase and installation

Cllr Smith had got a price of £1450 from a contact specialising in air conditioning. Air conditioning was agreed to be the best long term solution, given it will be hot and cold and dehumidify, which is of benefit to a timber building. It will also heat up quickly. Decision deferred to next meeting until more quotes are received for comparison. It was unanimously agreed to apply for the 'greener' grant from NSDC to help cover the cost.

12. To discuss and approve purchase of toilet block for the hut and related grants

Several options were presented before the council for design of the toilet blocks, from different companies at differing prices. It was unanimously agreed that 2 toilets is enough to serve the amount of potential visitors to the shed, and that portaloos could be hired if required for events with higher numbers.

The councillors unanimously agreed to proceed with purchase of the toilet block from Arkem, a 2 toilet design at £17,757+VAT. The Parish Council will be able to reclaim the VAT and a potential grant from Veolia would cover 85% of the cost, and the council have also received a grant from the Sir John Eastwood Foundation of £5,000 towards the project.

Cllr Hunt made the council aware that a 50% deposit usually required but may be negotiable, possible to get 25%. The council await agreement from Veolia for grant funding prior to paying deposit to Arkem.

13. To discuss implications of Sherwood Pines Caravan Site opening

Camping in the Forest will open on 15th May to public, and they are expecting to be very busy. There is a soft opening this week. Initial directions given to campers were to send traffic from the M1 through Clipstone and Kings Clipstone, and Cllr Stanley has liaised with owners at the Caravan Site who have changed the directions to bring traffic in via the A614.

14. To approve the purchase of a strimmer for use on the Playing Field

A new strimmer is required for the field as one is currently being used that belongs to a Councillor. Cllr Stanley proposed a maximum spend of £150 for a petrol strimmer, seconded by Cllr Smith and unanimously agreed.

15. To discuss plans/potential decoration for British Legion's 100th Anniversary 2021 on 15th May 2021

A discussion took place and with regret it was unanimously decided not to decorate due to short time frame, and councillors' work commitments.

16. To discuss and approve Clerk to gather quotes for KCPC insurance, expiring 20th June 2021

The Clerk had received insurance renewal quotes at almost double the previous price, and Came and Company have not offered a good service to the council during the term of the insurance. It was proposed by Cllr Bromley that if a new quote comes out at less than the renewal and is like for like, then the Clerk should proceed. This was seconded by Cllr Shaw-Browne and unanimously approved.

17. Accounts for payment

Payee	Description	Amount inc VAT
Clerk	Pay for April & May	-
HMRC	Tax on Clerk's wages	-

The items were approved unanimously, and payments will be made by online banking.

18. Date of Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting will be held Monday 7th June 2021 at 7.00pm at the Village Shed on the Playing Field.

The Chairman thanked all those present for their attendance, and closed the meeting at 9.05pm.

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Chairman

Date:.....