

Kings Clipstone Parish Council



Minutes of the Meeting of Kings Clipstone Parish Council on 20th September 2021 at 7.00pm at the Village Shed, Playing Field, Squires Lane, Kings Clipstone.

Present: Cllr A Stanley
Cllr C Hunt
Cllr M Smith

In attendance: Frances Ford, Clerk
3 members of the public

Apologies: Cllr P Bromley
Cllr L Shaw-Browne
C/Cllr S Carlton

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 7th June 2021.

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

5. County Councillors Report – no C/Cllr present

6. District Councillors Report – no D/Cllrs present

7. Correspondence from Residents

None received.

8. Village Councillors report

Cllr Stanley reported potholes and the state of pavements between Clipstone and Kings Clipstone. There is a new contact at VIA East Midlands who may be able to look into this further. Cllr Carlton had spoken to the Chair and said that resurfacing that section of road is a high priority subject to funding.

Cllr Smith reported issues with the road approaching the bridge, particularly as a cyclist.

Cllr Hunt reported dog bins full to overflowing. The Clerk is to query with Trade Waste at NSDC.

Cllr Hunt also reported fly tipping to dustbins in laybys. There was also a fly tip on Gorsethorpe Lane, where a numberplate was found in the rubbish, and reported to the relevant authorities. Cllr Stanley to look into cameras for laybys to prevent further fly tips.

Cllr Hunt said a resident applied for litter picker from the Rotary scheme to tidy around the bus stop. He has been tidying up much further than that and is doing a great job – thank you to Dave Smith.

9. Questions / Statements from members of the public (10 minutes)

A resident queried the phone box looking a mess and the door not shutting. The council previously looked in to defibrillators for the phone box but the project came to a standstill over Covid. Clerk to look into defibs for phone box and potentially moving phone box to squires lane to be more accessible in the event of emergency.

A discussion took place regarding traffic and speeding in the village.

Pathways need clearing - banking needs gardening and litter picking.

10. Planning Matters

There were none.

11. To receive a Village Shed report from Cllr Hunt

Cllr Hunt reported that the toilets are installed. It is yet to be decided how to clean and maintain the toilets.

A discussion took place regarding events for the Village Shed. A suggestion was made for a newsletter regarding volunteers for events.

The Summer picnic took place with around 40 residents attending and was a successful day which made £120.70. Thank you to all volunteers and people who took part and made donations on the day. The shed committee are to keep the £120.70 as a cash float for future events.

A discussion took place regarding funding for play equipment. Clerk to ask NALC re funding for playground or suppliers for equipment.

A discussion took place regarding wifi for the village shed.

12. To discuss the following for the Village Shed;

a. Heating

A quote was received from Cllr Smith from a friend for £1295+VAT for a wall mounted unit that would heat and cool, with installation by Cllr Smith at no cost. Two other quotes were received for similar units. Proposed by Cllr Hunt to move forward with Cllr Smith's suggestion, seconded by Cllr Stanley and unanimously approved.

b. Connection of the new toilet block

Cllr Smith to install in addition to pipe insulation for outside.

c. Ramp for disabled users

A resident has offered to make a ramp if materials are paid for. A discussion took place regarding a free-standing ramp so it could be moved. Cllr Stanley proposed authorisation of up to £300 for materials for ramp, seconded Cllr Smith, UA.

d. Forward work on the path and the hard standing

A discussion took place regarding extending the hard surfaces to allow for disabled access to ramps. Cllr Stanley asked for approval for a spend for sleepers and chippings - proposed by Cllr Hunt up to £500, Matt second UA.

13. To receive a financial update from the Clerk

The Clerk gave a financial update including current bank balances, expected expenditure and VAT reimbursement.

14. To discuss plans for the following for the coming season;

- a. **Christmas Trees** – It was agreed to contact Forest Holidays to ask for trees if possible.
- b. **Spring Bulbs** – It was unanimously approved to spend up to £100 on Spring bulbs.

15. Accounts for payment

Payee	Description	Amount inc VAT
Clerk	Pay for August	-
HMRC	Tax on Clerk's wages	-
BMB Financial	Internal auditor Fee	£30.00

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

16. Date of Next Meeting

The next ordinary meeting will be held Monday 18th October 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 8:30pm.

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Chairman
Date:.....

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