

Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh held on Wednesday 9th October 2011 at Kimble Stewart Hall at 7.30pm

Prior to the start of the Parish Council Meeting time is allocated, subject to the sole discretion of the Chairman of the meeting, for statements or questions from members of the public.

Mr Gerald Redding attended to enquire about the Affordable Housing Scheme progress and to thank the Parish Council for their part in getting some work carried out on the footpath along the A4010.

1 Attendance and Apologies

Councillor David Williams (Chairman) Julie Bunker - Clerk
Councillor Delia Burton
Councillor Donna Johnson
Councillor Julia Northway
Councillor Alun Jones

Apologies were tendered by Councillor John Austin (Vice-Chairman) and accepted.

2 Declaration of interest in any item on this agenda by a member

Councillor Alun Jones declared an interest in item 6 of the agenda relating to his property.

3 Co-option of Mr James Good onto the Parish Council

Mr James Good was unanimously co-opted onto the Parish Council and welcomed by the Chairman

4 Minutes

To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 14th September 2011 and any matters arising from those minutes not dealt with elsewhere on this agenda.

There were no matters arising and the minutes were signed as a true and correct record

To review and determine a course of action on the following subjects

5 To review the Accounts for September 2011

The accounts were reviewed and balances confirmed. Councillors requested a copy of the current grass cutting schedule carried out by Richard Billyard, the Clerk will distribute a copy to all.

6 Planning Applications and appeals

To review and confirm the responses made to Wycombe District Council by the planning committee. (Updated list sent prior to meeting)

The Parish Council careful considered all the current applications and approved responses. Councillor Alun Jones left the room whilst his application was discussed.

A letter will be drafted to all District Councillors regarding future traveller applications.

7 Report on any outstanding BCC highways matters (including footways, footpaths, Vehicle Activated Signs and BCC Grass cutting.)

Bus Shelters – a specific agenda item in the next meeting where a design shall be chosen.

Bucks County Council have installed a lockable bollard at the start of Footpath/bridleway GLK28 to deter fly tipping. The Parish Council agreed that the bollard should be painted green and the Clerk will arrange for this to happen.

The fingerpost sign for the village hall is totally obscured by large trees, the clerk will report this to BCC and contact Richard Billyard to see if he would be willing to cut them back. The trees are actually on Network Rail land so contact with them will also be made.

8 Affordable Housing – Update

There is no further update on the Affordable housing scheme, it is hoped that news of the central government funding grants will be known in early November.

9 HS2 – Update

There is a debate in the House of Commons on 13th October 2011.
The Parish Council continue to oppose the scheme.

10 Proposed extra funding grant for the Chilterns Conservation Board

It was unanimously agreed that the Parish Council will send £50 to the CCB to help towards their battle against HS2.

11 Projects around the Parish for 2011/12 – Update

- **Bulb Planting – Councillor Delia Burton**

A revised quote of £1000 has been received from Askett Nurseries for the planting of bulbs at each of the village entry gates and signs, including covering with chipped bark after planting. The Parish Council unanimously agreed this quote.

- **Greener, Cleaner, Safer – Councillor Donna Johnson**

The clerk will investigate the availability of allotments and also contact TVP regarding speeding issues within the Parish and use of HGV's through Marsh.

- **Kimble Stewart Hall – Councillor David Williams**

Councillor Burton reported that all the planned work had been carried out and the next step would be the external cladding but this was unlikely to be until the next financial year. Councillor Williams proposed that, subject to there being enough available funds, the Parish Council should bring forward their support for this project to enable the work to be carried out before the winter. This was unanimously agreed by the Parish Council.

- **Planting 60 Trees to mark The Queens Diamond Jubilee in 2012 – Cllr David Williams**

Gerald Redding had suggested more planting near the War Memorial. It was also suggested that more trees be planted around the Green outside the Swan. The Clerk will put a note in the next Newsletter and locations will be decided in November/December for planting in Spring 2012.

12 Report on the Local Area Forum Meetings - 21 September 2011 @ Kimble Stewart Hall - Cllr Northway

Councillor Northway reported that this meeting was well worth attending as it was wide ranging and informative about local issues. The next meeting is on 7th December 2011, venue to be announced.

13 Forthcoming Village Celebrations

(Christmas Party and Carols and Queens Diamond Jubilee)

It was confirmed that Bill Brown is organising the Christmas Party.

Ellesborough Silver Band are unable to attend the Carols so it is hoped local musicians can be found.

14 Reports from Councillors and Parish Clerk on various matters

To include any correspondence on the following matters:

a) Parish repairs/maintenance (non BCC matters)

The Clerk reported that one of the Horse Chestnuts outside the Swan had had another branch fall off and on inspection Richard Billyard had found it to be rotten in places so the tree has been felled.

The Parish Council had received an email from the owners of Grove Barn regarding the traditional bench that was a long standing local feature outside the property before it was redeveloped. The email suggested they were not happy with replacing it but were open to discussion. The Council were equally clear that it should be reinstated now that work had been completed. Councillor Julia Northway offered to meet them to discuss further.

b) Proposed TRO regarding the Byway Open to All Traffic

There has been no further correspondence on this matter.

15 Any other business and items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the council on Wednesday 9th November 2011 at 7.30pm at Kimble Stewart Hall

Councillor Northway suggested that Gerald Redding be contacted to ask if he would lay the wreath at the Remembrance Day Service on behalf of the Parish Council.

The Parish Lunch is on October 15th 2011 from 12.30 – 14.30pm.

A report had been received that 2 members of the Parish had had they Catalytic converters stolen from their cars recently.

N.B. - Councillors

The Clerk must be notified at least 3 working days before the next meeting to add an item to the Agenda

Minutes prepared Julie Bunker on Friday 21st October 2011

Councillor David Williams (Chairman)
9th November 2011

Julie Bunker (Parish Clerk)
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