

Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh held on Wednesday 12th January 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.

Gerald Redding and Sue Howgate attended to listen to Sarah Allwood speak regarding the Kimble Stewart Hall

1 Attendance and apologies

At this meeting the following persons were present:

Councillor David Williams (Chairman)

Councillor Julia Northway (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Alun Jones

Julie Bunker – Parish Clerk

Councillor Stuart Watson

Councillor John Austin

Councillor Delia Burton

Apologies were tendered and accepted from Councillor Donna Johnson

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

No declarations were made. Councillor Jones left the meeting during part of item 6.

3 Sarah Allwood from Community Impact Bucks will speak to the Parish Council regarding the way forward for the Kimble Stewart Hall.

Sarah Allwood explained how Community Impact Bucks can help the Parish Council to create a Community Led Plan which is designed to engage the whole Community to enable them to have their say towards a shared vision for the area. Sarah also explained how an energy audit for the Kimble Stewart Hall may help towards reducing the current running cost. She was able to undertake this for a cost of £250 and would be able to deliver the report within 2 months of it being commissioned.

Sue Howgate then spoke in support of the Community Led Plan as a way forward for the hall so that the whole community has a say in the future of the hall and she felt the energy survey was a good start point. The Parish Council would still like a structural survey on the building to enable a long term plan to be drawn up on this valuable village amenity.

4 Minutes

To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 8th December 2010 and any matters arising from those minutes not dealt with elsewhere on this agenda.

The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved by the council and signed by the Chairman and Clerk

5 To review progress on the proposed Rural Housing Scheme within the Village

The rural housing scheme is progressing with Hastoe Housing Associate making enquires with Wycombe District Council regarding the site on the B4009. The Clerk will write to Wycombe District Council and Hastoe Housing Association to confirm their unanimous support for this scheme. .

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

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 Council carefully reviewed planning applications and unanimously approved responses.

The Council reviewed the Enforcement notice on The Lodge in Marsh Lane and the Clerk will write to WDC and the planning inspectorate expressing the views of the Council in this matter.

Councillor Alun Jones left the room whilst the next item was discussed

The Council discussed and noted the appeal against the enforcement at Doe Hill Farm

The Clerk was to be asked to contact the Police to enquire on the progress of the investigation into the fire at the Silver Nugget

Please visit our website at www.kimblecouncil.org for a list of local planning applications, this list is updated weekly and has a link to the Wycombe District Council Planning Portal where you can view further comprehensive information, including public and Parish Council comments on each application.

Please note: Comments made by the Great & Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council may not accord with decisions of the Planning Authority.

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

It was noted that there were various potholes around the village which would be reported to Transport for Buckinghamshire for repair

The Clerk will once again chase Si Kahn of Transport for Bucks regarding the flashing amber lights for the School.

The Council discussed the current Village Grass cutting contract and unanimously agreed to continue using the services of Mr Richard Billyard with the cost being increased by the Dec 2010 RPI as usual. The Clerk will contact him to confirm this.

- 8 Whilst our Parish coped well with the heavy snow, ice and record low temperatures through November December, this has been the second challenging winter in succession. The Global Warming forecasts have been increasingly discredited by our local experience. **To review what improvements, if any, that we, Wycombe District Council, and Bucks CC should put in place to better prepare the area for further similar winters.**

The Council is to contact Transport for Buckinghamshire with the following points:-

1. No contact made with local farmers to help clear the roads despite having been given contact details earlier in the Year
2. Marsh Level Crossing not salted on primary route.
3. Possibility of installation of a Salt Bin on the A4010 between the Kasturi Restaurant and the Village Nameplate

- 9 **Update on HS2 project and how the Parish Council can keep the pressure up in opposing this scheme**

It was agreed that the Parish Council will continue with the opposition of this scheme. Copies of the Route which runs near our Parish will be posted on the Notice board in Bridge Street and Marsh with contact details of the HS2 Action Alliance.

- 10 **To determine any further course of action that can be taken regarding the Arriva Bus Route along the A4010**

The Council, along with Cllr Paul Rogerson, continue to pursue this.

- 11 **To approve 'Home use as an Office' expenses for the Parish Clerk**

This was unanimously agreed by the Parish Council.

- 12 **To review the accounts for December 2010, approve all payments and confirm end month bank balances.** (List of payments circulated prior to meeting)

The Bank Statement had not been received by the Clerk, 2 sets of accounts will be submitted at the February Meeting.

13 Reports from Councillors and Parish Clerk on various matters

To include any correspondence on the following matters:

- a) Parish repairs/maintenance
- b) Proposed TRO regarding the Byway Open to All Traffic.

The Council continue to oppose this and the Clerk is in contact with Roger Howgate in this matter,

- 14 Any other business and items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the council on Wednesday 9th February 2011 at 7:30pm in Kimble Stewart Hall

Road Closures for Street parties for the Royal Wedding and the Queens Jubilee were discussed

N.B. - Councillors

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

Tuesday 25 January 2011

Julie Bunker

Councillor David Williams (Chairman)

Julie Bunker (Parish Clerk)