



Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Kemble & Ewen Parish Council held on Friday 2nd December 2005 at 7.30pm in Kemble Village Hall.

Present: Councillor R. Pettit, Chairman Councillor S. Sorabjee Councillor C. Brann
Councillor L. Hetherington Councillor G. Moreman
In attendance: John Birch, District Councillor Isobel Yates, Clerk Members of the public

1. Acceptance of apologies for absence. Apologies were accepted from Cllr Mark Bainbridge (work commitments), Cllr David Ball (holiday) & Cllr George Collins (previous engagement).

2. Receipt of Declarations of Interest. GM declared an interest in item 8: Airfield Liaison Meeting & item 9.2: CDC's Airfield Report.

3. Approval and Signing of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on Friday 21st October were approved, and signed by the Chairman.

4. Report on matters arising from the minutes - items not on the agenda.

May05/12 Guidance still awaited from GAPTC re Clean Neighbourhood Bill. **IY to chase.**
July05/15 Re station fencing funding from Network Rail, RP reported that he had been in contact and hoped for a positive response. He was awaiting a response from Morag Ricketts. **RP to follow up.**
Sept05/5 Done.
Sept05/11 **DB to organise some pruning & shaping of the trees on the A429 & on the Ewen road. Action completed?**
Sept05/15 Done.
Oct05/1 Done.
Oct05/5 **RP/JB to arrange meeting with Wessex Trains re parking issues.**
Oct05/6 **IY to order playground signs.**
Oct05/7 & 9 Done.

5. Co-option of Jenny Court as a new councillor. It was unanimously agreed by the meeting to co-opt Jenny Court. She signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office & Acceptance of the Code of Conduct forms, & RP welcomed her to the council.

6. Report on the Community Centre proposals. In the light of the comments received from the VHMC & circulated to councillors, RP asked the meeting to consider its commitment to the proposed scheme. The meeting unanimously confirmed its support for putting forward the current proposal to the parish & it was agreed that it should progress this by seeking the views of the wider community via the Q & A & questionnaire format. It also agreed Kemble Farms be asked to confirm in writing that the current scheme is the only one available.

Dec05/1 **Everyone to give RP any comments on the draft documents urgently.**

Dec05/1a **RP to approach Kemble Farms for confirmation in writing.**

7. Highways issues for PC action. Following discussion, these actions were agreed:

Issue	Action	By
Speed of traffic on main road	Dec05/2 Obtain price of mobile speed monitors from JW & raise feasibility of safety barriers at cross roads.	LH
	Dec05/3 Talk to Coates PC about sharing costs of speed monitors.	RP
Speed of traffic on main road & School Rd	Dec05/4 Write to Kemble School about walking bus, frequency of road safety briefings & running a road safety competition – Parish Council to provide prizes.	LH
Speed of traffic/congestion on Windmill Rd	Dec05/5 Ask bus operator to move school bus stop to main road & to limit speed to 20mph on Windmill Rd.	LH

Heavy goods through Ewen	Dec05/6 Continue to contact local companies to seek co-operation on weight restrictions.	SS
Parking on Station Rd	Dec05/7 Draft letter to go on commuters' windscreens Dec05/8 Put letters on offending vehicles & involve Police if illegal parking.	LH GM
Windmill Rd parking on verge	Dec05/9 Follow up use of posts with JW.	LH

8. Airfield Liaison Meeting report. The report was received. SS noted that item 2 should read 'type' 146 jets; item 5 - the 747s have arrived; item 7 – CDC & NWDC planners confirmed the complaint form did not constitute a 'neighbour dispute' but RP stated that CDC Legal Dept's advice was more cautious.

9. PLANNING.

9.1 The Planning Committee's report was received. District Councillor John Birch agreed to raise again with CDC the reinstatement of the eastern side of the stone wall on the Station Road site.

9.2 CDC Planning (Regulatory) Committee - Report on Kemble Airfield. District Councillor John Birch summarised the background to the report & confirmed that CDC had accepted the report's main findings. He concluded by stating that the businesses involved in flying activities on the airfield would be asked to apply for planning permission to regularise their position. He also confirmed that the report had concluded that planning consent should be requested for the distribution & storage operations at "F" site and that there were other matters which should be further considered.

Observations were made about the safety risk and disturbance caused by flying over the village. Strong views were expressed against CDC's decision to accept the report by one councillor & concern about a possible impact on jobs by another. Alternatively the decision to seek planning application was also supported. In conclusion, RP noted the parish council's dissatisfaction with the lack of advance notice from CDC on the report's availability. He said that there were two matters at issue, firstly the original decision of the CDC that planning consent was not required which now appeared to have been faulty and secondly the acceptability of the increased amount of flying activity since acquisition of the airfield by the present owners. He concluded by saying that should planning applications ultimately be made this would give the Council and local residents an opportunity to submit their views as part of the planning procedure. JB felt that the report was likely to be only the beginning of a lengthy exchange.

10. KAP cycle track. It was agreed by the meeting that a cycle track which would exist as a 'natural feature' on the playing field, without signage or inspection routines, was the preferred option. RP had asked DB to check whether this was practical. SS agreed to pass this view on to KAP.

11. PUBLIC RECESS.

12. FINANCE.

12.1 The financial report was noted. It was agreed that the £250 grant received from Central Networks would be used to provide a tree, decorations & internal lights for the village hall.

12.2 Business Plan 2006/7. It was noted that a preliminary meeting had taken place & a draft plan would be circulated before the next meeting.

12.3 Payment of accounts. The payment of accounts was proposed by CB, seconded by GM & agreed by the meeting.

	Payment	Amount	Cheq	Power
12.3.1	I Yates salary & £8.509/hr x 5hrs/wk x 6 wks	£255.27	778	LGA 1972 s112
	+ hall heating 21 st October PC meeting & 9 th November Community Safety meeting.	£4.00		LGA 1972 s111
	+ black printer cartridge	£31.71		LGA 1972 s111
	+ postage 48 1 st class stamps	£14.40		LGA 1972 s111
12.3.2	J Telling @£5.05/hr x 4hrs/wk x 6wks	£121.20	779	LGA 1972 s112

12.3.3	B Robbins @£6.50/hr x 1hr/wk x 6wks	£39.00	780	LGA 1972 s112
12.3.4	Wickstead Leisure: picnic table	£2087.04	781	LG(MP)A 1976 s19
12.3.5	Gardenia Landscapes 2 cuts October	£540.50	782	HA 1980 s96
12.3.6	P Measures cemetery grass cuts 15-19.	£250	783	OSA 1906 s10

13. Parish Plan.

13.1 Questionnaire. It was agreed that the section on the village hall should be removed & dealt with separately. Copies of the draft were to be given to JC & CB for comment.

13.2 Timeline. It was proposed that the questionnaire be finalised in January, & issued early February, with a response deadline of end February. Collation & interpretation to follow during March & April, with a report on the outcomes to the Parish Meeting in May.

13.3 Working Party. It was agreed that the Working Party would be most effective if it consisted of a few local residents plus a parish councillor, chaired by MB. CB volunteered to take on this role. It was suggested that individuals who might be willing to get involved should be invited to join the group, followed by a public meeting early in the new year to enable any other volunteers to come forward.

14. AOB.

14.1 It was agreed by the meeting that it was appropriate in principle to meet a councillor's unavoidable costs in attending meetings, on the basis that these expenses may otherwise debar individuals from standing as councillors.

14.2 GM reported that The Tavern were receptive to the idea of a youth club being held in the skittle alley.

SIGNED

DATED

The next meeting will be on Friday 13th January 2006 in the Village Hall.

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS ARISING FROM THE MEETING:

ITEM	ACTION	BY
May05/12	Seek guidance from GAPTC re Clean Neighbourhoods Bill.	IY
July05/15	Chase response from Network Rail re station fencing grant.	RP
Sept05/11	Arrange pruning of trees on A429 – action completed?	DB
Oct05/5	Arrange to meet Wessex Trains re parking issues.	RP/JB
Oct05/6	Order 2 'no dogs' signs for Windmill Park.	IY
Dec05/1	Make any comments on the Community Centre draft documents.	All
Dec05/1a	Approach Kemble Farms for confirmation in writing of scheme being only one.	RP
Dec05/2	Obtain price of mobile speed monitors from JW & raise feasibility of safety barriers at crossroads.	LH
Dec05/3	Talk to Coates PC about sharing costs of speed monitors.	RP

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Dec05/5	Ask bus operator to move school bus stop to main road /limit speed to 20mph.	LH
Dec05/6	Contact local companies to seek co-operation on weight restrictions in Ewen.	SS
Dec05/7	Draft letter to go on commuters' windscreens in Station Road.	LH
Dec05/8	Put letters on offending vehicles & involve Police if illegal parking in Station Rd	GM
Dec05/9	Follow up use of posts with JW on Windmill Rd verge.	LH

Notes on discussion held with John Birch, District Councillor, on 2nd December 2005.

- **JB advised that there was still an amount of £100 in the Ward Projects Fund for Kemble which had to be used by the end of March.**
- **JB flagged up the review of the speed limit entering Kemble from the Cirencester end. RP confirmed the paperwork had been received & the council would respond in due course.**
- **JB asked GM if he could continue to send him photos of parking problems in Station Rd.**