



Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Kemble & Ewen Parish Council held on Friday 11th January 2008 at 7.30pm in Kemble Village Hall.

Present: Councillor R Pettit, Chairman
Councillor D Ball, Vice Chairman
Councillor Gabi Somerville
Councillor Sally Turner
Councillor G Moreman
Councillor G Collins
Councillor Withiel Cole

In attendance: John Birch, District Councillor
Linda Wixey, Clerk

Opportunity for the public to raise any matters. No members of the Public present.

Roger Pettit welcomed all new councillors, Gabi Somerville, Sally Turner & Withiel Cole. All 3 Councillors completed their Declarations of acceptance of Office. All Issued with a Code of Conduct Booklet and Declaration of Interests form, which they are all informed need to be re-turned to LW asap.

RP informed all Councillors that Sara Lawlor made an application for Councillor. RP had requested that Sara send her details to him and asked all councillors for their views. All councillors agreed that Sara should be welcomed onto the committee at the next meeting.

Minutes:

- 1. Acceptance of apologies for absence.** Apologies were received from George Collins as he would be attending the meeting later.
- 2. Receipt of Declaration of Interest.** PC declared interested Item 9.1 Planning CT.5623/B Kemble Village Hall..
- 3. Approval and Signing of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.** The Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 23rd November 2007 were approved and signed by the Chairman. RP also thanked GS for writing Minutes.
- 4. Report on matters arising from the minutes – items not on the agenda.**
Development of Allotments – John Birch to report on.

Noise from Airfield- John Birch to report on.

No Cold Calling - RP confirmed that the meeting on 8th January was successful, 8 members of the public attended. Scheme will start in Windmill Road, and progressively the whole Village will adopt the scheme.

Speed Reduction sticker GS reported that one was in use in Kemble.

Cemetery Bench DB confirmed that it is still in storage.

RP informed JB that the £15,0000 cheque had not yet been received by the PC for the Play equipment contribution. JB to follow up.

Costings for Village gates. LH to gain and report on.

Playworld – RP reported that Playworld have agreed to replace the broken fixtures of the Cycle track. Work to be carried out W/C 21st January 2008.

Playground fence. DB reported that the fence was not in urgent need of repair.

5. Matters for report by John Birch JB reported that the Tree office will look at the 3 trees that SL reported between Kemble and Ewen.

Allotments: The allotment idea has been approved, with a sketch plan which includes wildlife habitat. SL to draw up a management plan for the allotments and submit to CDC to be approved and a licence to be issued.

Annual Clean up: The CDC will provide all volunteers for the Annual Clean with Tabards and Littler Picking equipment throughout the district, Individuals will also be covered by CDC insurance during the Clean up. **LW to contact Mike Harris to confirm.**

Ewen Manor: JB reported that the plans for Ewen Manor had been considered. Currently 2 resident objections. Agreed that JB delegates for planning officer decision.

Kemble Airfield: A decision has been made that the whole of Kemble Airfield is regarded as one Planning Unit. All organisations within the Airfield will receive enforcement notices with a 90 day sanction to produce evidence of reasonable use. If unsatisfactory Enforcement notices will be issued. JB also confirms that Nigel Adams holds all CDC reference material regarding Kemble Airfield.

RP commented that if planning permission is requested then the PC will hold a public meeting to take into account all public opinions.

Network Rail: RP reported that a letter had been received from a resident to say that Network rail planned to reinstate the second line between Kemble and Swindon. The Operational base for this will be sited near Davis Lodge, Kemble Wick. RP suggested that Network Rail engage with Parish Council, Highways & CDC to control the situation. Jb to make further enquiries.

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Thames Information Board. GM reported that he and DB would need to meet to discuss tree removal at the site of Information board. The Children of Kemble School have produced Mosaic work to be included on the Board.

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Highways

LW reported that the Plans & Letters for the residents of Windmill Road re Traffic calming have not yet been sent out. RP confirmed that this should be done as soon as

possible. RP suggested that Sara Lawlor adopt the position of Highways, replacing Laura Hetherington, when she comes on board.

DB confirmed that a new footpath between Ewen & Kemble has been supported by highways.. This will be placed within the wall of the field adjacent to the road.. **DB** to gain quote for cost of surfacing, ie clean stone. The path will leave the field at the bridge and it is suggested that a small barrier is placed on the side of the road, preventing pedestrians from stepping directly on to the road. Keith Harris has agreed to do progress this.

Playing Field.

It is planned that a path will be put in place from the top of the Playing Field to the bottom of the lane exiting Kemble, opposite the Railway station entrance.. Verges will need to be cleared back from the edge of the playing field by approx 1.5m, to allow for the path to be put into place. Quotes to be gained by **DB** for clearing of verges, tarmac/surfacing and a fence to be installed along the roadside edge of the playing field.. This will be scheduled for March 09.

West lane Junction.

The junction at West Lane/ A429 has been looked at as residents in The Oaks are concerned about the speed in which traffic enters the village and the increased number of vehicles using this as a through route.. It has been suggested that the angle of the junction be changed to cause vehicle to slow before entering the residential area. Currently waiting for a response from Chris Franklin.

Windmill Road.

Speed restriction signs need to be replaced with new Yellow signs entering Kemble at the bottom of Windmill Road.

GM reported that he experienced an incident whilst taking his son to school, where by a car drove through a 'red light' whilst he was on the A429 crossing. This has not be the only reported incident of its type and feels that a diary of events logged by parents from school will help us to gain a better chance of securing a Priority Score rating.

LW to produce and distribute letter to all parents via Kemble School.

GM to speak to Pat Ayres about including a piece in the Kemble Section of the Standard asking the public to reduce their speed through the village.

Station Road.

GS reported that since new traffic calming measures were put into place at Station Road, more cars are being parked in West Hay Grove. **DB** suggested that the chicane be removed as the **PC** was not informed of the choice of preventative measures that would be installed. Cars continue to be left all down Station Road, very close to junctions. **GM agreed to temporarily head up Road Safety.**

8. Cemetery

It was agreed to deposit the Cemetery Files into Archives held at the GCC..

9.1 Planning.

Committees report was noted. **DB** suggested that more information was included on the report when Planning Permission is granted.

Stoneleigh Old Vicarage Lane. Planning application was discussed by all councillors and a unanimous decision was made by the PC to Object to the Plans. This decision is based on the fact that the Plans are not sympathetic to the original building and the surrounding area.

Ewen Manor – Conversion of Stone Barn and Living area. – PC NO OBJ.

9.2 Section 106 Agreement. RP informed all new councillors of the Section 106 agreement. Explained that £15,000 had been gained from the property developers of New Manor Gardens to go towards the Childrens Play Facilities. This must be spent within 5 years. £7,000 remaining.

10. FINANCE.

10.1 The Financial report was noted

10.2 The new pay increases for the Clerk inc Isobels back pay was adopted and approved.

10.3 Precept requirement was discussed and agreed that £15,000 was requested.

10.4 Discussed Community Fund applicants –LW to circulate and be decided at next meeting.

10.5 It was agreed that the increase to the Parish Magazine Contribution would be from £50.00 to £100.00 pa. Agreed that Cheque will be issued in between meetings.

10.6 Schedule of accounts for payments. GC proposed GM seconded and the meeting agreed that the following accounts be paid

AGENDA ITEM 10.5:

Schedule of Accounts for Payment.

10.4.0	L Wixey 1972 s112	5 hrs/wk @ £8.59/hr x 7 wks	£300.65	cheq 136	LGA
10.4.1	J Telling s112	4 hrs/wk @ £5.52/hr x 7 wks	£154.56	cheq 137	LGA 1972
10.42	B Robbins s112	1hr/wk @£7.50/hr x 7 wks	£52.50	chq 138	LGA 1972
10.43	P Measures	10th -18th Mowing & strimming of Cemetery	£540.00	Chq 139	
10.44	Kemble Village Hall	Hire 2 meetings @ £4.50 per Hr	£36.00	Chq 140	
10.45	Isobel Yates	Back dated pay due from Clerks payrise 27wks @5hrs per week @£.231pence per hour	£31.19	Chq 141	

11. Playing Field. LW reported that there has been an increase in lager cans/ bottles at the Playing field. Brian reports this on a weekly basis.

12. AOB GS suggested that bins for Dog Fouling should be purchased and placed within the village. GS to identify where in the village they should be placed.

Gifts for Isobel. RP informed the Council that Isobel will receive her leaving gifts from Roger.

GC reported that there was a piece of greenery within Old Manor Gardens that would need maintenance. **LW** to contact Redcliffe Homes to discuss who is responsible for the maintenance.

RP asked that someone volunteer to update the Village Residents Booklet with all of the contact details of local organisations. It was produced 3 years ago, and needs updating. Christian Brann has agreed to put together. **GS** volunteered to do research and update booklet.

SIGNED

Dated

The meeting closed at 10.30pm.

The next PC meeting will be held on Friday 22nd February 2008 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Summary of actions arising from meeting held on 11th January.

Action:

Costings for Village Gates	LH
Management Plan to be drawn up for allotments	SL
Contact Mike Harris at CDC to confirm Clean up	LW
To gain costings for surface for footpath Kemble to Ewen	DB
To gain incidents logged at traffic lights	LW
To contact Redcliffe Homes re OLM greenery	LW