

# Kemble and Ewen Parish Council: Minutes



Meeting of Kemble and Ewen parish council was held on: **Friday 5 March 2010 at 7.30pm**

in: Kemble School Hall

Present:	Councillor R Pettit Chairman Councillor D Ball, Vice-Chairman Councillor S Sorabjee	Councillor W Cole Councillor S Lawlor Councillor G Somerville Councillor G Collins
Apologies:	Councillor S Turner	
In attendance:	F Garnet-Lawson, clerk	Guests: Peter Burns

**Agenda:** to discuss the proposed section 106 unilateral undertaking between CDC, Wiltshire unitary council and Kemble Airport estates Ltd sent in confidence.

## Comment:

1. The contractual undertaking would enable the control of any breach of it to be monitored and handled.
2. However, noted that the existing planning 28 day rule should also enable breaches to be monitored – but this is not happening successfully. CDC has failed to monitor or enforce this.
3. A lot is asked of the community – for no apparent return. An increase in non-flying activities to 258 days from 28 days.

Noted: this substantial increase in non-flying activities represents a significant shift in business plan and strategy for the airfield. There is no indication that the amount of flying activity would be restricted in return.

4. Implication that the airfield will submit a planning application to go with this Section 106 'shortly', but no date given.
5. KEPC still not completely clear what the existing constraints are – especially or car testing. 14 or 28 days, and is this included within the 28 days. WC to get copy of council's opinion mentioned by JB.
6. Concern that there would be no formal opportunity for public consultation of this 106 undertaking outside of the general planning application – if there were to be one. Also that the implication is that if this 106 were accepted, then the councils (Wilts and Glos) would be 'bound' to approve the planning too. IS this a deal in itself?

Question : how do these proposals fit into the CDC's own strategic plan?

Conclusion: this proposal is intolerable and excessive. There is no benefit to local residents at all. Instead there would be activities on almost every day of the week; resulting increased traffic flow (noise and activity) especially on the A429; and associated noise. This would be in addition to flying activities, and presumably there would be nothing to stop the airfield from applying for further planning permission for other activities later.

Clerk to investigate Hall availability for potential public meeting in March.