



Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Friday 22 July 2016 at 7.30pm in Kemble Village Hall

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Present: Parish Councillors – Roger Pettit, Nicky Baber, Michael Binks, George Collins, Carol Dougill (left 10.00pm), Lester Napper, Eric Silk, Sohrab Sorabjee, Liz Hall - Clerk (arrived 8.00pm)
Tony Berry – District Councillor

Jane Rushton of The Byre, together with her architect, presented revised plans to the existing consent for an extension to the barn. To allow more light into the building, she would like to replace conservation roof lights with a gable roof and introduce larger windows throughout.

Report from Tony Berry

- i) Consultation for the Local Plan and CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) ends 8 August. As noted at previous meetings, CDC has increased its proposed number of new houses by including SHLAA areas, to improve the likelihood that plan be approved by the Inspectorate. CIL is a replacement for section 106 payments which are levied on new builds. The new system gives a flat rate per £80sq.m, with the PC allocated 15% of the sum, up to a maximum of £100 per property. It was noted that should a Parish have a Neighbourhood Plan this amount is increased to 25% without a maximum level.
- ii) CDC has agreed to allow small developments in those villages designated as 'unsustainable'. This should take the pressure off 'sustainable' villages such as Kemble in the future but won't alter the numbers in the proposed Local Plan.
- iii) Station Car Park. All aspects agreed and work ready to start. Noted, a Kemble Parking Plan has to be in place before the car park can be opened. RP to contact GCC.

1. Apologies were received from David Ball.

2. No interests were declared.

3. The minutes of the meeting held on 24 June were approved and signed

4. Matters arising from previous meetings:

- a. **Highways update** – RP to continue to chase highways. Drains and flooding near school still to be addressed.
- b. **Police crime report / Neighbourhood Watch** – LN to attend next Police Meeting in South Cerney on 2 August
- c. **First Aid training from St Johns** – went well, consider again for next year
- d. **Update on possible cemetery site** – nothing to report
- e. **Update following playground inspections** – DB to chase re pressure washing of equipment. Footpath needs to be strimmed. RP to ask KH
- f. **Appearance of the village** – a letter has been given to residents whose hedges need to be cut back. Trees on WHG/A429 footpath blocking view of main road, potential hazard. RP to arrange for them to be cut back. To be reviewed in autumn.
- g. **Neighbourhood Development Plan** – plans in place to start the process. To begin a Housing Needs survey has to be completed, to be coordinated by GRCC. In addition, a history of all previous developments in the village is to be prepared. A steering

group is being formed to work on these. It was noted that a NDP needs to broadly conform with the Local Plan, and as such all 3 sites highlighted for Kemble will be included.

ES to invite a representative from GRCC to attend the next meeting to discuss the Housing Needs survey.

- h. Sports grant for changing rooms on the football field** – At next meeting, RP will look to secure a long term lease.
- i. Maintenance of wall at Lydwell Spring** – RP to talk to Edward Allsop. LN gathering information about the 'Athelstan' stone and Lydwell wall, for an application regarding listing.
- j. Purchase of dog and litter bins** – a map of sites sent to CDC for procurement.
- k. KCG site – problem with dog mess** – MB spoken to dog warden at CDC who is to inspect the site and review notices, refurbishment and patrols. NB to contact the individual whose dog is causing a problem.
- l. Ewen Bus Shelter** – repair is underway
- m. Conservation Area Statement** – next draft is due soon. PC will have a further opportunity to review.

5. Purchase of picnic tables for West Lane – ordered and agreed to have 'KEPC 2016' carved into the top in an attempt to prevent possible theft.

6. Lease for Kemble Community Gardens – not available to sign, CDC has not agreed to the changes requested. TB to chase.

7. Pension Scheme – review in November at staging point.

8. Clean for the Queen – Tom Barrow as the organiser of the campaign for Kemble, has been presented with a £1000 prize, from Ubico Ltd, for the village. The PC are very grateful to Tom for his tremendous effort, and are keen to continue this work. To consider the introduction of an annual 'Tom Barrow' prize.

9. Gate on Old Vicarage Lane – PC to consider a self-closing gate.

10. Local Plan – decide on response to CDC (by 8 August)

Following a lengthy discussion and vote, it was decided the PC should make representations to CDC regarding housing numbers allocated for Kemble.

Votes for a representation (5)– SS, CD, RP, NB, includes a casting vote by RP

Votes against a representation (4) – LN, GC, ES, MB.

RP to prepare comments for CDC.

11. Planning items – ongoing

a) Top Farm – CD has heard nothing from Bovis despite sending three emails. Will visit site over the summer. A 'welcome' pack has been produced.

b) Kemble Airfield –SS to contact Nick Howard to arrange a meeting.

New Planning Applications – decision required

Kemble Airfield 16/00320/FUL - New B8 (Storage & Distribution) and B1 (Office) Space Including Provision of New Vehicular Access and Associated Parking and Landscaping Works.

New details

Objection – same comments as before

27 West Hay Grove Kemble Cirencester GL7 6BE 16/02430/FUL

Erection of first floor side extension

Support

Kemble Railway Station Windmill Road Kemble GL7 6AW 16/02628/LBC

Extend Platform 1 at North end by 21m

Object – support an extension to the platform however would prefer ramp at end of platform to match the others.

The Byre Mill Farm Ewen Cirencester GL7 6BT 16/02425/FUL

Proposed side extension - amendments

Object – Roof gable and extensive window detract from the listed barn. The plan for the original application was more sympathetic to the barn.

Kemble Wick Farm Kemble Wick Kemble GL7 6EQ 16/02783/FUL

Change of use from agricultural barn to single dwelling with external alterations (Variation of Condition 2 of permission: 15/04055/FUL)

Object – proposed plans are a major change from the original application which had retained the structure and appearance of the agricultural barn.

Pear Tree Farm Washpool Lane Kemble Cirencester GL7 6BT 16/02789/FUL

Erection of new dwelling

Object – application site is outside the development boundary. Design conflicts with the local vernacular and is very large and out of scale with its surroundings.

Planning decisions reported and planning applications pending as per agenda - noted

12. Finance matters

Schedule of accounts – Payments for 25 June to 22 July 2016 – approved and signed.

13. A.O.B.

i) 20th Anniversary Thames Path National Trial Baton Relay. A nice walk to the source of the Thames to meet the walkers. Following a little ceremony, LN together with a councillor from Coates, signed the official record of the day. LN discussed with Steve Tabbitt, trail manager, the state of the wooden footbridge near A429. He is to look into a repair.

ii) Traffic Count on Washpool Lane – ES would like figures

iii) Welcome Pack – ES to distribute at Top Farm Development

iv) Additional Councillor – may need another councillor to reflect increased numbers in the village

v) New Emergency Tel. No. for Western Power Distribution from September 5th - **call 105**

MB to put a notice in Parish Magazine

vi) Top Farm – RP to review plans to determine if pedestrian access gates from houses to farm track were included.

Meeting finished at 10.50pm.