



Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Friday 13 January 2017 at 7.30pm in Kemble Village Hall

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Present: Parish Councillors – Roger Pettit, Michael Binks, George Collins, Carol Dougill, Lester Napper, David Ball, Sohrab Sorabjee, Nicky Baber

Tony Berry – District Councillor

Three residents – Debbie Garner, Michelle Heaven and Adrian Thorne

Adrian wanted to understand why many trees along the A429 had been removed. He considers the trees provide a benefit to the village in terms of visual impact, habitat for wildlife and may help to reduce traffic speed, resulting from the 'village environment' image they project. Roger Pettit assured Adrian that the Parish Council value trees on the A429 and throughout the village and are enthusiastic about creating a tree friendly environment. A five-year programme is being prepared to review, replace where necessary and increase our tree numbers. The work on the A429 is part of this programme with replacement trees already in place. Additional trees have also been planted on Washpool Lane.

Having received an unsupportive response from Shaun Parsons (GCC), Debbie and Michelle want help with the issue of speed/safety on A429. RP has contacted RoSPA for guidance and it was agreed that TMS consultants be considered to commission a report. Costs and fundraising opportunities to be considered. Careful location of trees and shrubs could be used to create a visual impact at the start of the village.

Report from Tony Berry, District Councillor

Local Plan – the final consultation process starts on 16th January. RP reported that he'd not had any replies from several letters he sent to CDC with PC comments regarding the Local Plan. TB to investigate with CDC.

Christmas message from Lynden Stowe, Leader, CDC – it was noted that savings have been made at CDC without the need to reduce services.

Car parking scheme – TB to circulate a document by GCC about its policy and options for car parking schemes in Gloucestershire. It was noted that parishioners may have to pay for permits.

Item 8. Car Parking Scheme – PC agreed to discuss this item at the start of the meeting so TB could take part.

Amendments to plans were discussed and agreed for the Kemble Parking Control Zone and the proposals for parking restrictions in the village. Both the area of the zone and the amount of available parking was increased to ensure maximum benefit to the village.

1. **Apologies** received from Eric Silk,
2. **George Collins declared an interest** in item 12 – application 16/05109/FUL
3. **The minutes of the meeting held on 25 November were approved and signed** following a small amendment and correction.

4. Matters arising from previous meetings:

- a. Highways update – nothing to report
- b. Police crime report / Neighbourhood Watch – report noted
- c. Update on possible cemetery site – nothing to report
- d. Update following playground inspections – moss cleared, equipment cleaned and replacements ordered.
- e. Appearance of the village – plans progressing
- f. Neighbourhood Development Plan - nothing to report
- g. Sports grant for changing rooms on the football field - nothing to report
- h. Repair to wall at Lydwell Spring – wall has fallen again. Mike Patch has agreed to pursue.
- i. Ewen Bus Shelter – still to be fully repaired. Bus stop at Clayfurlong also needs repairing. KH be asked to quote for repairs. Posts for bus timetables near bus stop on Clayfurlong need to be renewed. MB to approach bus company.
- j. Hole in the fence between the playground and 17 Clayfurlong Grove. Bromford have said they'd repair, DB to check.
- k. Kemble Village Landscape Appraisal - nothing to report
- l. Footpath to Kemble Wick – LN working on this. Will also contact Ramblers re overgrown footpath from Kemble Wick to Oaksey.
- m. Trees in village/I Dig Trees 2016 - ordered
- n. Consultation for Kemble Parking Scheme – see above (under, report from TB)
- o. Memorial Bench next to Beehive – nothing to report
- p. Review of Cemetery Fees - nothing to report
- q. Shrubs on junction of School Road/Washpool Lane – have been planted
- r. Road Safety – see above (under, report from TB)
- s. Listing of Gatehouse/No5 Kemble Park – listing applied for.

5. Repair to Village Gate – LH to obtain quotes

6. Ewen Wharf fence – Looks as if the owner of Ewen Wharf has extended the garden onto the old railway line. LH to make enquiries regarding ownership of the land.

7. Parish Laptop – renewal of Anti-virus and MS Office software. Agreed to fund

8. Car parking scheme - see above (under report from TB) A public meeting will be arranged when proposals are ready for consultation.

9. Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute & WWI Beacons of Light 11th November 2018
PC supportive and agree in principle to financial support

10. Twinning project with gardens at Montfort en Chalosse, France – LN to progress with members of KCGs

11. The Great British Spring Clean – PC noted confirmation from Tom Barrow that there will be a Gloucestershire Spring clean.

12. Planning items - ongoing

a) Top Farm – nothing new to report

b) Kemble Airfield – it was noted that a helicopter had been flying low and was circulating for a few hours earlier in the week. SS to make enquiries

New Planning Applications

Cramond Court Old Vicarage Lane Kemble 16/04729/FUL

Erection of a single storey garage and outbuilding (Amend to 16/02099/FUL)

No objection

33 West Hay Grove Kemble

16/05109/FUL Single storey extension

No objection

Lodge Cottage Lodge Yard West Lane Kemble

16/05267/FUL Two storey front extension, single storey rear extension and single storey link extension between house and outbuilding

No objection to application, however SS expressed concern regarding overall size of project and use of aluminium for french doors.

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

13. Finance matters

- i) Schedule of accounts – payments 26 November 2016 to 13 January 2017 approved and signed
- ii) Business Plan for 2017/18 – approved
- iii) Precept Demand – agreed to approve amount in Business Plan of £21,800.

14. Any other business for discussion, and not requiring a decision, subject to the Chairman's approval

- i) The recent meeting with GWR highlighted there are no plans to repair the road leading to the station from A429, even though it is next to works for the new car park. RP to pursue with GWR.
- ii) PC noted the new bus timetable shows an improved service to the village
- iii) Top Farm - the posts next to footpath need be replaced by staggered gates, to prevent cyclists and pedestrians walking out directly on to farm traffic. RP to investigate
- iv) The roof on the village hall has been repaired but will still need to be replaced.
- v) BBC coming to report on the 10th Anniversary of the Rural Cinema
- vi) Tom Barrow plans to buy new kit for the spring clean up
- vii) Farm track - it has been noticed that people are not keeping to the public footpath and going along the private farmland to Randall's Barn – RP/SS
- viii) Cars have been parking on the narrow road outside Horseshoe Flat, Limes Road. LH asked to send note to the flat.

Meeting Finished 10.30

KEPC Finance – Payments 26 November 2016 to 13 January 2017

Chq No.	Date	To	Purpose	Total £ (inc VAT)	Power to spend
102273	09/12/2016	<i>The Play Inspection Company Ltd</i>	<i>Inspection for November</i>	108.00	LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)
102274	16/12/2016	<i>Little Fishes</i>	<i>Replacement of equipment</i>	200.00	LGA 1972 s137
102275	16/12/2016	<i>Mrs E A Hall</i>	<i>Salary (December) and expenses</i>	██████	LGA1972 s112(2) LGA(FP)A 1963 s.5
102276	17/12/2016	<i>Jim Macleod</i>	<i>Pressure wash of playground equipment</i>	365.00	LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)
102277	23/12/2016	<i>Landcare Nursery Ltd</i>	<i>Purchase of 22 trees</i>	901.16	HA 1980 s.96 LGA 1972 s.137
102278	23/12/2016	<i>Steve Marsh</i>	<i>Annual payment for web hosting</i>	36.30	LGA 1972 s.142
102279	04/01/2017	<i>Kemble Village Hall</i>	<i>Hall Hire – 16 hours</i>	96.00	LGA 1972 s.134(4)
102280	09/01/2017	<i>Mrs E A Hall</i>	<i>Salary - January</i>	██████	LGA1972 s112(2)
102281	VOID				
102282	12/01/2017	<i>Keith Harrison</i>	<i>Trimming of yew hedge in Cemetery and tree works</i>	1,300.00	LGA 1972 s.214 (6) HA 1980 s.96 LGA 1972 s.137
102283	13/01/2017	<i>Martin Leay Associates</i>	<i>Preparation of document for planning inspectorate</i>	516.00	LGA 1972 s.111
102284	13/01/2017	<i>David Ball</i>	<i>Reimbursement for purchase of play equipment</i>	641.25	LG(MP)A 1976 s.19(3)