



## Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

### ***Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Friday 10 February 2017 at 7.30pm in Kemble Village Hall***

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**Present:** Parish Councillors – Roger Pettit, Michael Binks, George Collins, Eric Silk, David Ball, Sohrab Sorabjee, Nicky Baber, Lester Napper (note taker)

Tony Berry – District Councillor

Three residents – Helen and Tom Sandman, Keith Carter and Richard Honeycombe.

Helen and Tom Sandman attended to put forward amendments to their approved planning application, for an additional house, Upper Paddock, prior to submission to CDC. They want to change the access to the new property from the Ewen Road (the current access for The Paddock and approved access for Upper Paddock, to a separate access off the road leading towards Siddington, next to the property called Three Ways.

The proposed access to Upper Paddock would be by a new driveway, formed from the 'ransom strip' of land, part of the Estate of the late Lady Gibbs. The rest of the field belongs to Ewen Manor and is farmed.

Objections were raised by Richard Honeycombe who lives at Three Ways. He is worried about the removal of trees, loss of the farm line and is concerned that creating an access point here could encourage development of more properties on this site. His concerns were echoed by Keith Carter.

It was noted that ownership of the ransom strip would be retained by the late Lady Gibbs estate and that a right of access would apply to Upper Paddock only. PC requested that any application should allow for the driveway to reach entrance to Upper Paddock but not extend past this point.

#### **Report from Tony Berry, District Councillor –**

Local Plan – any comments by 27<sup>th</sup> February. KPC will have the opportunity to speak to the Inspector responsible for the plan submission.

Methodist Chapel – this has not been given a Grade II listing. However, it was noted that it is classed as an unlisted heritage site.

TB left at 8.25

1. **Apologies** received from Carol Dougill and Liz Hall
2. **David Ball declared an interest** in item 7 – application 16/05367/FUL
3. **The minutes of the meeting held on 13 January were approved and signed**
4. **Matters arising from previous meetings:**
  - a. Highways update – The potholes on West Lane (by the Green) have been filled in. RP has spoken with Richard Grey of Glos. Highways and discussed the potholes on Church Road, poor state of the road on Smerrill Lane and Windmill Road (beyond the station). The meeting noted that road signs have been damaged (Ewen Road) and that potholes on Washpool Lane have got worse. RP to discuss with R Grey.

- b. Police crime report / Neighbourhood Watch – it was noted that a car parked on Windmill Road had been damaged with an angry note left on the windscreen. The Police have asked that the public phone 101 to report any cars illegally parked. MB to write a report for the newsletter.  
LH to ask Paul Waldron for the date of the next meeting of Neighbourhood Watch
  - c. Update on possible cemetery site – carried forward
  - d. Update following playground inspections – only the replacement spring for the gate is needed for work complete to be complete - DB
  - e. Appearance of the village – RP to ask KH to cut back verges between Clayfurlong Barns and the bridge.
  - f. Neighbourhood Development Plan – Currently have 5 volunteers for the steering committee. ES to report progress at next meeting
  - g. Sports grant for changing rooms on the football field – carried forward
  - h. Repair to wall at Lydwell Spring – nothing to report
  - i. Bus Shelters in Ewen and Kemble – PC agreed to approve up to £800 for refurbishment and removal of tree at site.
  - j. Hole in the fence between the playground and 17 Clayfurlong Grove – DB to check if now repaired
  - k. Kemble Village Landscape Appraisal – no more information to date
  - l. Footpath to Kemble Wick – Glos. Highways are aware, LN to submit a note regarding poor state of footpath to Poole Keynes
  - m. Consultation for Kemble Parking Scheme – waiting for information from Glos. Highways
  - n. Memorial Bench next to Beehive – ES to talk to Sara Lawlor
  - o. Review of Cemetery Fees – carried forward
  - p. Road Safety – carried forward
  - q. Listing of Gatehouse/No5 Kemble Park – listing has been applied for
  - r. Repair to Village Gate – LH has obtained two quotes. PC agreed to use JACS and approved the spending for a full replacement of the gate. Work to be carried out after the new car park has been completed.
  - s. Ewen Wharf fence – Land Registry information has been obtained.
  - t. Twinning project with KCGs and gardens at Montfort en Chalosse, France – carried forward.
  - u. The Great British Spring Clean – a quote for materials needed was forwarded by TB. The meeting approved the spending, the money to come out of the prize money awarded earlier in the year.
- 5. Grant for Parish Magazine – MB asked for £100 towards costs. Approved**
- 6. Land at Windmill Road & Clayfurlong Grove – RP to go back to CDC for clarification of details**
- 7. Planning items - ongoing**
- a) Top Farm – overlapping gates are needed as a safety measure, where the footpath leaves the development - RP
  - b) Kemble Airfield – nothing to report

### **New Planning Applications**

#### Pyke Cottage 166 Washpool Lane Kemble

16/05367/FUL - Erection of detached dwelling and creation of new vehicular access

Revised scheme following permission 16/00448/FUL

Agreed to support the application as one vehicular access considered preferable to two.

PC noted concerns of neighbours and will discuss with them.

3 Clayfurlong Barns Kemble

16/05360/FUL and 17/00274/LBC - Erection of single storey rear extension

Agreed to support

Larcum School Road Kemble

17/00093/FUL - Erection of garage and store to side

Agreed to support

Land Opposite Thursday Cottage Ewen

17/00329/FUL - Creation of vehicular access including replacement of pedestrian gate with a vehicle gate approx. 3.6m wide

PC to object. There are concerns regarding visibility and safety - the proposed opening is very near a corner on the main road through Ewen. Access to the land is currently gained by a pedestrian gate and has been gained as presently for decades. The PC see no need for it to be altered.

Local Plan - Consultation on Focussed Changes

No issues were highlighted that require comments by PC

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

NB left at 9.45

**8. Finance matters**

- i) Schedule of accounts – payments 14 January to 10 February 2017 approved and signed
- ii) Independent auditor – agree to appoint auditor through GAPTC – LH to arrange

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

- i) Following a suggestion by SS it was agreed to invite Edward Allsop to talk at a Parish Meeting – RP to arrange
- ii) DB has started measuring areas of grass we cut and are paid for by GCC, in preparation for the review.

Meeting Finished 10.10

**KEPC Finance – Payments 14 January to 10 February 2017**

Schedule of Accounts for Payment

Chq No.	Date	To	Purpose	Total £ (inc VAT)	Power to spend
102285	06/02/2017	Michael Binks	Reimbursement re PC laptop updates	275.66	LGA1972 s111
102286	06/02/2017	Mrs E A Hall	Salary for February and reimbursement of expenses	██████	LGA1972 s112(2) LGA(FP)A 1963 s.5