

## KING'S STANLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk – Frances Ashfield  
Tel: 01453 767384 email [clerk@kspc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@kspc.org.uk)

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF KING'S STANLEY PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Scout HQ in Selsley on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015** at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllrs Jamie Burke, John Graham, Lawrie Hall, David Hauser, Symon Parsley, Lesley Williams. Also present District Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy, Frances Ashfield – Parish Clerk. Sandra Adams.

**64/15 Public Time:** Cllrs welcomed Sandra Adams to the meeting.

**65/15 To receive apologies for absence**

Cllrs Wendy McNamee, Steve Lydon and David Owen

**66/15 To receive Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda** – Cllr Parsley declared an interest in the Peaked Elm Farm application

**67/15 To approve the Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2105** – Minutes were approved as a true record and signed

**68/15 To receive updates/reports from the County and District Councillors**

Cllr Studdert-Kennedy reported that Ridgers Cottage had been given notice to remove vehicles and a month in which to apply for legitimisation of business. Stanley Mills delay in starting work is to be taken up by senior planning officer. Discussion on Ecotricity building and land this evening at Ebley Mill. Nothing to report on Brunsdon Yard. Decision on incinerator has gone through High Court and decision expected in 21 days.

**68/15 Planning:**

**i) To receive and comment on planning applications received**

- S.15/1272/HHOLD Appin, Selsley Hill – Removal of existing utility store and garage - construction of extensions. *Comments - No observations*
- S.15/1189/HHOLD Henlian, Castle St KS – Proposed 2 storey rear extension, conversion of garage into dining room and front porch extension. *Comments - Over development of site, not in keeping with surrounding housing, could affect privacy of neighbouring houses.*
- S.15/1203/FUL Barn adjacent to Cider House, Gordon Park, Selsley – Erection of 2 storey dwelling including lower level garage. *Comments - Access is via a track, looks directly onto other people's property below, can't be seen from the road, mixed reaction to style of development – no observation.*
- S.15/1377/HHOLD Woodland View, Shute St KS – proposed rear single and 2 storey extension. *Comments – no apparent issues affecting surrounding properties, no observation..*
- S.15/1209HHOLD 1 Elmlea Rd KS - Erection of 2 storey extension and replacement garage.( Revised consultation).*Comments- Although property would double in size – no observations.*
- The Clerk advised that 5 further planning alerts had just been received and read through them. It was proposed and agreed that a sub group be set up to look at planning applications and come up with recommendations to bring to the full council meeting. Cllrs Parsley, Burke and Hall would form this group. Proposed that Cllr Parsley chairs the group.

Follow up discussion re the letter received relating to The Piggeries, concluded that Cllrs would prefer to see plans before carrying out discussions or having a meeting with the architect.

- **ii) To receive a progress report from the Clerk on applications already responded to**
- S.15/1066/DISCON Stanley Park, Selsley – Discharge of Condition 5 S.14/2101/LBC – To be forwarded to Cllrs. (permission)

Cllr Studdert-Kennedy reported that he had received concerns about the work being carried out at Little Foxes. The Clerk had also received complaints and had advised the complainants to contact the Enforcement Officer at SDC. Cllrs requested the Clerk contacts the Enforcement Officer with these issues.

#### **69/15 Highways, footpath and public spaces:**

##### ***i) To receive an update on play area equipment recommendations/quotes***

The Clerk reported that she had circulated the quote from Discovery Timber Play to Cllrs. It was proposed that the quote be accepted. The bark could either be removed by the supplier or Cllr Parsley could ask Dave Wheeler to remove it. Bark could be used for the play group, trail in the woods and for the main slide. Tasha to speak to Marling Trust re gate. Cllrs all agreed that Tasha had done a fantastic job organising the replacement of the equipment and that a letter be sent thanking her for her time and commitment.

***ii) To decide on course of action re issues with school traffic and parking*** – The Chair of Governors had said she was willing to discuss concerns. Cllrs proposed it might be a good idea to have a PC rep on the school governors. Cllr Burke said he would follow this up. The PC felt they couldn't do anything else on this at present and wondered if there should be a moratorium on this issue. The idea of part of the village green becoming a parking area was dismissed.

***iii) To receive an update on work to be carried out The Green*** – It was resolved that posts be installed and let residents know of date when they were likely to be installed so traffic wouldn't park there. Councillors felt that matters had reached such a pass that there seemed little alternative to posts/boulders and that the PC was resolved to install these if necessary. Before that, however, one last appeal would be made through a letter. Cllr Williams to draft a letter to everyone fronting The Green.

##### ***iv) To receive feedback on footpath related issues***

Cllr Graham reported they were waiting for SDC to respond to proposals re disabled access onto Selsley Common and that the Woodland Trust had offered funding towards the gate. Cllr Graham will get back to PC if funding is required and will forward footpath proposals to Cllr Studdert-Kennedy.

***v) Update on use of BT phone box-*** defer to next meeting

***vi) To receive an update on Old School community asset-*** (Discussed later in meeting)

Re Highways – Cllr Parsley reported back that he had met with Andrew Middlecote to look at road surface. Was assured that AMEY will do repairs prior to surface dressing in early July. Cllr Parsley was concerned that this wouldn't happen. Cllr Parsley to draft a letter to Cllr Binns, Scott Tompkins and other contacts. Send to clerk to type up and send out.

#### **70/15 Financial Issues:**

- i) To receive the finance report and authorise payments in accordance with the RFO report*** -The report was accepted and payments were authorised and cheques signed in accordance with invoices.
- ii) To receive feedback from internal audit and sign internal and external audit forms***  
The internal audit end of year accounts were circulated to Cllrs at the meeting. The external audit paperwork was signed ready to be sent to Grant Thornton.
- iii) To discuss and decide on payment towards gate on Cotswold Way -*** Any payment would have to come out of reserves. PC might make a contribution towards the gate. ( See agenda item 69/15 iv)

#### **71/15 To receive Clerk's report and any correspondence received**

The report was circulated prior to the meeting. The Clerk reported that she had received quite a number of concerns by phone, parish office and email that she was following up with relevant parties. Cllr Hauser asked that she lists them so Cllrs know what issues are coming through.

**72/15 Councillors Submissions** (for notice of forthcoming events or reminders, (not for discussion))

Cllr Burke reported that he had met with Mark Parker at Shire Hall to discuss a business case for the purchase of the Old School building. Concerns from GCC highlighted the need to identify: ownership of the building, running and maintenance costs, refurbishment, on-going financing and completion of a robust business plan. GCC agreed to provide a statement of work which they had received 3 years ago.

Cllr Burke had discussed the need for a play group on the basis of the present service being currently over-subscribed, current buildings having a short life span, demand from other user groups don't appear to be catered for by the Village Hall. He was mindful of having only 2 weeks to complete a robust business plan to GCC, prior to it going to the Diocese.

Cllr Parsley had looked at the option of Public Loans. This would mean the PC would become the 'owner' of the building, Cllrs would not be liable for any repayments but the 'Parish Council' would. The Village Hall Committee had agreed to manage the building. The Clerk would manage the finances with a twice yearly payments in and payments out transaction. The loan could be short term ie. 10 years @ £11k pa. The Chair requested that Cllr Parsley send information to Cllrs and Clerk about the Public Loan Board.

Cllr Burke asked if the PC would, in principle, be prepared to accept proposal of being the owner of the Old School building and therefore take on a loan. The Cllrs resolved to accept this proposal in principle as a possible way forward, but would need further information before any decision could be made.

It was also resolved that a single point of contact, to liaise with GCC etc, would be Cllr Burke. Cllrs thanked Cllr Parsley for all his hard work on setting up the community asset and drafting the business plan.

**73/15 Parish Council meetings:**

**Date of next meeting is Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup> in the Lounge Room of the Village Hall**

**Future meeting dates for 2015 :**

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**October 28<sup>th</sup>**

**November 25<sup>th</sup>**

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 10.00pm

Mrs Frances Ashfield Parish Clerk – King's Stanley Parish

*FD Ashfield*

