

## **KING'S STANLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES OF MEETING OF KING'S STANLEY PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Lounge Room of the Village Hall on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2014** at 7.30pm.

**Present:** Cllrs John Graham, Lawrie Hall, David Hauser (Chairman), Wendy McNamee, Symon Parsley and Lesley Williams.

Also present Cllr Steve Lydon, Cllr Nigel Studdert-Kennedy, Frances Ashfield – Parish Clerk .

**76/14 Public Time** – no public attended

**77/14 To receive apologies for absence**

Parish Cllrs Jamie Burke and David Owen. Natasha McClune from the Play Area Working Group

**78/14 To receive Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda** – Cllr McNamee declared an interest in one of the planning applications (S.14/1452/HHOLD)

**79/14 To discuss potential play equipment and make a site visit**

Unfortunately Natasha McClune was unable to attend but has been invited to the next PC meeting in September.

**80/14 To approve the Minutes from the Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2014** – Minutes were accepted as a true record and signed

Action points: 52/14 Cllr Lydon had followed up enquiries about the nursery in Castle St and investigations showed that it was a childminding service not a commercial business. 56/14 – Cllr Williams to contact the Fire Service re access to Woodside Lane and was informed that the Fire Service look at all planning applications and comment as required . Trees on Shute Street still hadn't been cut back. The Chair asked the Clerk to follow this up as a matter of urgency.

**81/14 To receive updates/reports from the County and District Councillors**

Cllr Lydon reported that issues relating to speeding and road safety were being addressed in Coldwell Lane and white lining at the junction was being implemented. Re supermarkets applications – due to legal challenges and arguments the applications due to be discussed this week at Development Control will now be postponed until October. The King's Head pub had changed hands again with a new manager in post. The future of the canal is still on track and the sale of the site at the Ship Inn is to be considered in October.

Cllr Studdert – Kennedy reported back that the Slad Valley application in Summer Street had been refused by the Planning Inspectorate. The Woodside Lane appeal will still go through the usual process. The village green application was still progressing for Mankley Fields. SDC has to prove it hasn't a 5 year land supply but can't do this until December when the examination in public should be carried out. Funding is available for dual convergency from junction 13 to junction near Oldend Lane. Feasibility study taking place for the A417. Houses at Mankley Road are likely to start being built in January 2015. Both District Councillors are now sitting on the Planning Advisory Committee.

Councillors were all concerned that there didn't appear to be any cohesion in all the housing developments currently being applied for ie west of Stonehouse, Bath Road etc and that SDC didn't have the authority to chase up developers to start building where applications have been agreed.

**82/14 Planning:**

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

- S14/1452/HHOLD Kingston House KS – 3 dormer windows to front elevation to roof – *Cllrs made no observation but commented that the windows were in keeping with the property*
- S.14/1490/FUL White Lodge St. George's Ave KS – New dwelling – *Councillors were concerned about the entrance being near the bend in the road which they considered dangerous. In principle have no objections to the proposal but suggest that the existing drive be used by both properties.*
- S.13/1893/FUL Rooksmoor Mill – Revised details re residential and commercial units + reinstatement of millpond etc. - Not discussed as this is not in the parish
- S.14/1519/HHOLD The Old Nags Head, Selsley Hill – single storey extension *Cllrs made no observation*

ii) *To receive a progress report from the Clerk on applications already responded to*

- S.14/ 1224/FUL and S.14/1225/ LBC The Bell Selsley, demolish existing toilet block and replacement toilet block/bar dining area and revision of plans. - (*Consent*)
- S.14/0851/FUL The Beeches – Division of house into 2 flats - (*Permission*)
- S.13/1337/DISCON Ryeford Mill - *Discharge of conditions* - (*Permission*)

iii) *To complete NALC consultation on underground drilling process – Councillors agreed that more clarification was required on the questions being asked as they didn't make sense.*

**83/14 Highways, footpath and public spaces:**

i) *To receive a report from the Highways working group*

No update available.

ii) *To receive an update on work to The Pound and grass cutting requirements*

No update available

iii) *To receive an update from the Allotments Working Party*

Agreed that the Clerk writes to Perennial and requests a meeting with herself and Cllr Hall to look at possibility of using some of their allotment space.

**84/14 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 a report from Cllr Hall on how KSPC will respond to discretionary aspects of the Local Government Scheme.*

Cllr Hall has read all the documents and produced a report. As employers the PC needs to have an employer contact which will be Cllr Hall, an appointed person in case of any issues arising from the pension scheme which will be GCC. Cllr Hall requested that the Councillors empower him to finalise the details and return the forms to LGPS. This was agreed. Councillors once again thanked Cllr Hall for taking on this piece of work.

**85/14 To receive the Clerk's Report and any correspondence received**

The Clerk's report was distributed prior to the meeting. The Clerk listed some of the surveys and questionnaires which needed completing. Cllr Hauser and Williams

agreed to complete the Community Rights Survey (Parish Pulse Test) at the Parish Office on 11<sup>th</sup> August. The Clerk reported back on a phone call received that day re stream near cricket club and pavilion. Western Power had cut down trees which were rolling into the stream and causing it to dam and become stagnant which could be deemed a health hazard for children playing in the water. Also litter and barbed wire were an issue. A meeting is to be set up between caller and Cllr Graham to look at issues.

86/14 **Councillors Submissions** (for notice of forthcoming events or reminders, (not for discussion)

Cllr Williams reported that new LED lighting in street lights will save GCC money Cllr Graham gave an update on AMEY – Currently the new system appears to be failing. Lack of materials and long wait for materials are a major concern. Meeting AMEY for 22<sup>nd</sup> July was cancelled at the last minute. AMEY is now considering that each ROW Officer has their own budget rather than orders going through one commissioning officer which is current process.

Cllr Williams was concerned about what is happening with then old school as it has been empty for over 2 years. Clerk to contact John Kendall to find out who the contact is re Diocese

87/14 **Parish Council meetings:**

Next Parish Council meeting to be held on **Wednesday September 24th 2014 at 7.30pm in the Lounge Room of the Village Hall.** At this meeting grant applications will be assessed and the play area equipment will be discussed.

Mrs Frances Ashfield Parish Clerk – King's Stanley Parish

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Meeting closed at 9.05pm