

**MINUTES OF THE LOWER WINTERBORNE PARISH COUNCIL AGM HELD ON TUESDAY  
15<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019 AT WINTERBORNE KINGSTON VILLAGE HALL, COMMENCING 7pm**

**Present:** Cllrs R Allcock, R Brock, H Andrews, R Sorrell, D Knapp, L Luxford, R Jessopp, B Newman

**Chair:** Cllr R Jessopp

**Clerk:** Mrs Amanda Crocker

**Also present:** 5 members of public

Prior to the start of the meeting, Cllr Jessopp reported that Mark Leaper has resigned from the Parish Council for personal reasons. Our thanks are extended to him for his work during his time in office and we wish him well for the future.

**1 Public Participation**

19.172 Graham Hyde reported that, over the Christmas period he took his grandchild to the Winterborne Kingston play park but, after a few minutes they had to leave as the equipment was not only covered in algae, but also in need of a clean. It has been discussed at previous meetings that a pressure washer could be taken up to the site and the equipment cleaned. Cllrs Knapp and Allcock will look into sorting this out.

**ACTION: CLLRS KNAPP & ALLCOCK**

Joan Nash – following on from the last meeting, she felt that the meetings need to be more controlled and members of the public should not be permitted to speak unless asked to do so during the meeting. This is something the members have looked at and protocol will be made clear at the start of each meeting. In addition, Mrs Nash wishes to extend thanks to all those who undertook the tree planting at the recreation field. It is going to be an asset to the village.

Pat Shears asked about the Greyhound. This will be brought up at the appropriate time on the agenda.

Public participation at the end of the meeting – this used to be the case, but it was felt that this was not necessary as the public could be invited to speak when appropriate during the meeting.

**2 Declaration of Interest and requests for dispensations**

19.173 Cllr Andrews declared an interest in Item 14. No other interests were declared, and no dispensations had been requested.

**3 Apologies**

19.174 Apologies had been received from District Cllr Emma Parker and Cllr Keith Langdown.

**4 Minutes of the Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

19.175 A copy of the minutes had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Knapp proposed them to be a true and accurate representation of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr Brock and agreed unanimously. The Chair signed the minutes in the presence of the meeting.

**5 Matters arising from those minutes for report only**

19.176 Notice boards – on-going.

Repairs to the tomb stone – complete

SIDs – on-going

**ACTION: CLERK**

**6 County & District Councillors' Reports**

19.177 County Councillor’s report

Cllr Hilary Cox was unable to attend, and no report was available.

19.178 District Councillors’ report

Neither District Councillor was present and no report was available.

**7. Finance**

19.179 To confirm payment of accounts

The following payments had been requested:

Kingston Village Hall	Hall hire 2018	101552	64.00
Pampered Pigs	75ltrs red diesel	101553	56.25
D Dwight	Repairs to tomb stone	101554	1260.00
A Crocker	Wages + expenses (November)	101555	454.35
Ollie Noscoe	Kingston cemetery tree works	101556	450.00
JSR Treecare	WK grass cutting	101557	833.33
Mark Robbins Carpets	Hub carpet	101558	1490.00

Expenses relating to December and cheques already issued **4607.93**

WK Village Hall	Hall hire Jan to March 2019	101559	16.00
WK Village Hall	Pop In hall hire July-Dec 2018	101560	74.00
A Reed	Pop In Christmas meal	101561	130.00
JSR Treecare	WK grass cutting	101562	833.33
BT	Hub alarm line January 2019	101563	38.28
A Crocker	Wages + expenses (December)	101564	501.35

Expenses relating to January **1592.89**

The total amount requested from the Precept is £6,200.89

Cllr Sorrell proposed the payments are made. This was seconded by Cllr Luxford and agreed unanimously.

19.180 To confirm the reconciliation of accounts and position against budget

A copy of the reports had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Sorrell proposed the accounts are accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Allcock and agreed unanimously.

19.181 To confirm the joining of the Local Government Pension Scheme with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019

It has been a legal requirement for two years now for the Parish Council to provide a pension for the Clerk. DCC offers a scheme and the budget for this has been in place for 3 years. This topic was discussed in 2016 but, as that was some time ago, it is now being brought back for confirmation prior to the necessary submissions being made to DC Pension Fund. Cllr Brock proposed that this is continued. Cllr Knapp seconded the proposal and it was agreed unanimously. The Clerk will make the necessary arrangements for the pension scheme to take effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

ACTION: CLERK

8. Speed Watch (HA) - update

19.182 Cllr Andrews reported that the team will be back in action in February.

9. WK Hub update

19.183 Cllr Luxford reported that the new carpet has been fitted, and a spring clean has been undertaken. Cllr Luxford asked if anyone had a steam cleaner that could be borrowed to clean the lino in the central area and members will liaise directly with her regarding this.

The heaters are much more effective than the old ones. The blue rubbish bin needs to be emptied and the Clerk will ask the contractor if he will do this.

ACTION: CLERK

10. To consider registering the Greyhound, Winterborne Kingston as a Community Asset

19.184 The Greyhound public house closed its doors at the end of 2018 and Cllr Jessopp asked if members wished for it to be listed as a Community Asset.

Cllr Brock suggested that we do try to get it listed. Cllr Andrews understood that there was a group in the village who would be interested in having the building listed as an asset.

Cllr Knapp proposed that the Greyhound is listed as a Community Asset. This was seconded by Cllr Brock and agreed unanimously. The Clerk will look into what is needs to be undertaken for this to happen.

ACTION: CLERK

11. To consider dates for the 2019 meetings and review the frequency of future meetings

19.185 A list of the proposed dates had been issued to all members prior to the start of the meeting. Cllr Luxford proposed that these are accepted. This was seconded by Cllr Andrews and agreed unanimously. The dates are:

January 15th	Kingston
February 19 <sup>th</sup>	Zelston
March 19 <sup>th</sup>	Kingston
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Zelston – Parish Meeting
April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Kingston – Parish meeting followed by Parish Council monthly meeting
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	Kingston – Parish Council AGM ( <b>Please note: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month due to the elections being held and our first meeting must be within 14 days of that election</b> )
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Zelston
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Kingston
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	No meeting
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	Zelston
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Kingston

**12. Planning Applications & Tree Work Proposals**

19.186 To consider planning applications received

There were no applications to consider.

**13. WK Playground**

19.187 To receive an update on the cost of new equipment – basket swing

Cllr Allcock reported that a new basket swing would cost in the region of £3,500.00. The surface would then have to be considered and he suggested the grass mat where the grass grows through it. We now need some ideas on how we can raise some money to cover the cost. Cllr Knapp said he will wait until April and then contact Tesco for the Bags for Life and apply to some other fund-raising bodies.

**ACTION: CLLR KNAPP**

19.188 To receive an update on the recreation field tree planting

Cllr Newman reported that he has spoken to Rachel of Dorset Trees who thanked all the villagers who attended the event and made it so successful. She expressed some concern about deer and will submit an invoice as originally agreed for £200. Dorset Trees will put a 6' shield around each of the trees. The eastern boundary may be an issue and she recommended that some barbed wire is put around the site to prevent the deer access. However, it was felt that this will not work, and barbed wire would not be feasible in a public open space. There are 25 trees short which will be put in as soon as they arrive. They will replace any trees that fail over the summer season. Watering and brambles will be an issue, although the brambles will be sprayed in the spring.

Thanks are extended to all those who helped at both of the working parties and thanks to Dorset Trees for their help and guidance.

**14. To receive an update on the Village Gates**

19.189 No further update.

**15. Telephone kiosks**

19.190 To consider the future of the Anderson kiosk

It had been reported that, over the Christmas period, the kiosk had been hit by a vehicle and flattened. At the time, the kiosk was insured for third party cover only and not replacement cost. To purchase a new/second hand kiosk would be anywhere from £1,500 to £4,000. As only one person in Anderson had expressed an interest in keeping the kiosk, members were asked to consider what they would like to do moving forward.

Mary Saunders, a resident of Anderson, informed the meeting that she has spoken to a number of Anderson residents and they would like the kiosk replaced. She has the details of the car driver and the Clerk will try to recover this on their insurance.

**ACTION: CLERK**

It was noted that the Kingston kiosk has now been insured for replacement cost at a value of £4,000. The addition to the premium would be £19.25 but this has been waived by the insurance company.

19.191 To consider the quotation of £300 received to upgrade the Kingston kiosk electrics for the installation of the defibrillator

Cllr Andrews took no part in this discussion.

Cllr Knapp proposed that this work is undertaken. Cllr Brock seconded this, and it was agreed unanimously.

Cllr Andrews said she would be willing to paint the box and will collect the paint and undertake the work before the defibrillator is installed. She has spoken to the Tollard Royal Parish Council who manage a kiosk and have installed a VOIP phone. Members agreed that Cllr Andrews should pursue the possibility of a similar emergency telephone system being installed in our kiosk.

**ACTION: CLLR ANDREWS**

**16. Home Watch/Flood Watch (GH)**

19.192 Home Watch - Graham Hyde reported that there was nothing of real significance on Home Watch but there are several scams going around – fake TV licencing is possibly the worse one at the moment, although the HMRC scam and Metropolitan Police scam continues. The Police Commissioner is planning on increasing their precept by 11% and you can comment on this via the Police web site.

19.193 Flood Watch – Graham Hyde reported that the river is only flowing for a few hundred yards in Kingston. All the culverts have been dug out from Stickland, through Kingston and Whitechurch.

Rita Burden reported they have lots of water in Zelston but no problems. The water table has dropped about a meter so far.

**17. Parish Councillors' Reports**

19.194 Cllr Andrews – quote for notice boards of £3,000 received for the replacement of the 2 notice boards. The one on the hall desperately needs replacing. The Clerk will check the cost of notice boards on the internet. Cllr Andrews had also been asked if dog owners could pick up after their dogs around the village and at the recreation ground. This is an on-going problem.

Cllr Jessopp – steps on the Hub get very slippery when they are wet. He will look to get some anti-slip strips to put down.

**ACTION: CLLR JESSOPP**

**18 Correspondence receive since the agenda was set**

19.195 Nothing to add.

**19 Items for the February agenda**

19.196 Councillors are reminded to pass any items to the Clerk for inclusion in the February agenda by the 7<sup>th</sup> February.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.56pm.