

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on 12th December 2019 at 7.30 pm at Kings Cliffe Active.

<p>Peter Wallace from the Kings Cliffe Almhouse Charity and Endowed School Foundation updated the Parish Council regarding the 2 separate notifications of the Almhouse Charity proposals, 1) The disposal of property on the School House side of School Bridge and 2) Notice to Tenants.</p> <p>It was suggested that maybe regular updates regarding the above could be published in the Gazette to update the community.</p> <p>19/153: Present: Chairman A Howard, Vice-Chairman M Day, R Brown, D Gilbert, C Leuchars, J Dixon, N Ford, R Meadows & and 5 members of the public.</p> <p>19/154: Apologies for Absence: Councillor's J Atkinson, G Smid B Hardwick</p> <p>19/155: Declarations of Interest: None</p> <p>19/156: Chairman's Reported: The Chairman stated that all the items that he would be reporting upon would be covered on the agenda already.</p> <p>19/157: Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th November 2019: approved.</p> <p>Proposed: Councillor: R Brown Seconded: Councillor: J Dixon</p> <p>19/158: Matters Arising:</p> <p>After clarification with the Monitoring Officer the Chairman clarified:</p> <p>Declaration of Interest: When a member of the Parish Council declare an interest in an item and opted to leave the room, no further part in a debate should be taken. If the committee requires any further information to reach a decision they should request that it be obtained via their clerk if no one present can provide it.</p> <p>Should a Councillor be able to act as a member of the public and speak at the start of the meeting? This is down to the Parish Council's Standing Orders and will be clarified in the new model currently being adopted.</p> <p>Endowed School – It was agreed that the Clerk would write to County Council concerning that they have taken on the responsibility of the Endowed School upkeep and maintenance and the Parish Council are concerned that this site is falling into disrepair.</p> <p>The Clerk has written to Chattertons requesting copies of the Lease and Lease Agreement between the Parish Council and Kings Cliffe Area Community Sports Project.</p> <p>Pythel Fencing Quote– Agreed to not to commence with quote received and agreed for Councillor J Dixon to purchase fence posting and invoice the Parish Council by Spring 2020.</p> <p>Wood Yard Planning Application 19/00355/FUL dated 28 March 2019. Clerk to circulate to all Councillors to view the original planning application. Enforcement Officer re-visited site on 10/12/19 that a breach of condition concerning the paddock area has been remedied, and that the fencing currently in place is permitted. However, the first section of the bridleway in question is still partially flooded. This issue had been previously reported to ENC and was duly passed through for the attention of the Rights of Way officer at NCC on 02/12/19.</p> <p>Church Walk Wall – Cllr M Day to obtain quotes from Dan Dawson to remove and take away the Sycamore tree. Also to obtain a quote from K C Property to repoint damaged wall caused by the leaning Sycamore tree</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr J Dixon</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr M Day</p>
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<p>David Pritchard to contact the Clerk with a date of when he will be in the area to discuss Grants</p>	Clerk								
<p>Cllr C Leuchars raised a question from last month's meeting regarding:-</p>									
<p>19/151 East Northants Resource Management Facility (ENRMF) future operations – Augean East Northants Resource Management Facility (ENRMF) future operations – Augean. Clerk to upload onto the Facebook Community Page along with the link https://tinyurl.com/s3apq9h for everyone to view correspondence received.</p>									
<p>The Chairman declared an interest. Vice-Chairman Cllr M Day continued the meeting. Agreed for the Clerk to contact Augean and Howards Farm requesting freedom of information as to whether there are at present any agreements between Howard Farms and Augean to sell to Augean fields other than the two currently under agreement to the west of the ENRMF.</p>	Clerk								
<p>Chairman resumed the meeting.</p>									
<p>19/159: Accounts Payable</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Clerk's Salary £425.00 & Nov Expenses (£94.31)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£519.31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kings Cliffe Active Nov</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mowerman Ground Maintenance – Refill Grits Bins (20 Bags)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£147.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>E-On</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£364.68</td> </tr> </table>	Clerk's Salary £425.00 & Nov Expenses (£94.31)	£519.31	Kings Cliffe Active Nov	£ 20.00	Mowerman Ground Maintenance – Refill Grits Bins (20 Bags)	£147.60	E-On	£364.68	
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<p>19/160 Financial Position Bank Balances: As at 6th November 2019 Current £17,528.02 Deposit £70,244.80: (£51,757.15) of this is for the Village Field (Restricted Funds) Bequest Account Re: Cemetery £2,120.48 (Restricted Fund) Nationwide Business 95 Day Saver: Section 106 Lap & Leap (Restricted Fund) £60,133.81 as at 30/4/19 Cambridge Building Society Saver: Section 106 Lap & Leap (Restricted Fund) £60,000.00 as at 14/5/19 Income – Cemetery £150.00</p>									
<p>19/161 E-On Quotation Agreed to replace all items on item 4) S/L 20 Park Street, S/L 32 West Street, S/L 48 Eagle Lane & amp; S/L 92 Station Road. These are all very old and obsolete (2 x 8 watt fluorescent) bulkhead style lights which need to be considered for replacement with new 5 watt LED bulkheads asap. Quotation to replace the old wall-mounted bulkheads with new 5 watt LED energy-saving bulkheads, would be £115 + VAT each.</p>	Clerk								
<p>Requesting for quotes for two new street lights, between the Club and Oak Lane and Bridge Street near the cemetery as these areas are deemed very dark.</p>	Clerk								
<p>19/162 Precept 2020/21 The Chairman produced a 12 months' budget forecast for 2020/21 which was circulated and discussed. It was agreed that the Precept should be increased by £1,000 to £27,000 and this was carried after a vote made by the Parish Councillors.</p>	Clerk								
<p>Proposed: Councillor R Brown Seconded: Councillor M Day.</p>									

<p>19/163 Planning Applications 19/01779/TCA - Holm Oak - roughly 10m high, over 30 years old - fell because of inappropriate size to plot now it has grown. It causes significant shading to the king's house and is causing damage to the boundary fence. Not controlled under a TPO, and although on the edge of the village conservation area it is not visible from the road at 2 The Dovecote Park Street Kings Cliffe. Objected 19/01762/FUL - Replacement of all windows and external doors; replacement of rainwater goods; chimney removal; roof and wall repairs at 25 West Street Kings Cliffe. No Objection 19/01801/FUL - Proposed front porch and single-storey side extension. at 2 The Dovecote Park Street Kings Cliffe No Objection 19/01339/FUL - Removal of single-storey rear extension; demolition of existing outbuildings; erection of two storey rear extension and new garage at Kirks Lodge Bridge Street Kings Cliffe. Seek clarification that the roadside frontage remains the same scale as at present. Planning Applications granted by ENC 19/01691/TCA - Yew Tree Removal - Garden is overgrown with too many trees in a small area, the charity has been advised to thin out the trees which will help improve the growth rate and health of the remaining trees 35 Bridge Street Kings Cliffe 19/01678/TCA - Sycamore - Fell and replace at All Saints Parish Church Hall Yard Kings Cliffe 19/01597/FUL – Two-storey rear extension at 102 Oak Lane Kings Cliff WITHDRAWN</p> <p>19/164 Parish Council Elections May 2020 Councillor B Hardwick resigned as off 12th December 2019. Councillors, J Dixon, N Ford indicated that they will not be standing for re-election at next year's elections.</p> <p>19/165 Speed Control Measures Awaiting the start date.</p> <p>19/166 Amenities Sub Committee Meeting to arrange for early March 2020 to discuss obtaining quotes for the grassed area above Oak Lane.</p> <p>19/167 Allotments Agreed quote for the two new water troughs of approximately £100 each. Cllr M Day to obtain quotes to connect water troughs. Agree to provide a skip for the Allotments in the Spring.</p> <p>19/168 Grass Maintenance – Re-Tender 2020 Currently out for tender and deadline is 31st January 2020.</p> <p>19/169 Burial Board Report Memorial headstone application – Gilbert Sydney Markley, plot B29 Cemetery driveway trees appear to have been trimmed. To the Parish Council knowledge, this was not authorised. Burial board will endeavour to seek as to who carried out this work. RJC Countryside Management will be supply proposals for 2020 in January.</p> <p>19/170 Neighbourhood Plan Nothing to report.</p> <p>19/171 Gazette entry for January 2020 Discussed and Agreed.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr M Day</p> <p>Cllr D Gilbert</p>
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<p>19/172 Standing Orders</p> <p>The new model standing orders were passed and agreed with a clarification note regarding Parish Councillors having a right to public speaking. Agreed to amend item G Page 7 to include "unless directed by the Chairman of the meeting". Cllr R Brown to amend and re-circulate.</p>	Cllr R Brown
<p>19/173 Correspondence Received</p> <p>Email received from Charles Atkinson regarding white lines at the crossroads. Clerk to forward comments onto Highways. Also referred to the layby on Park Street that it should be extended so that cars may pull in to ease passing.</p>	Clerk
<p>Correspondence received from Wansford Parish Council regarding the re-direction of traffic from Kings Cliffe Industrial Estate. Clerk to contact County Council Highways and ENC Planning Authority for their view as the Parish Council is opposed to this redirection.</p>	Clerk
<p>Email received from Underground requesting permission to site a mini skip within the parking area for a few days just after Christmas. This was agreed.</p>	Clerk
<p>Email received regarding Village Calendar. It was felt this is covered under the Parish Gazette and Village Forum.</p>	
<p>Email received regarding sponsored Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras. It was agreed this was not something the Parish Council would wish to sponsor.</p>	
<p>Report received regarding Underground Funding. It was agreed that this will be discussed once the Parish Council have held the meeting with K C Active on Monday, 16th December.</p>	
<p>Meeting arranged with K C Active on Monday, 16th December.</p>	
<p>19/174 Any Other Business</p> <p>Sovereign Grange Trees – Agreed for Cllr J Dixon to arrange the removal of the dead trees and agreed to the quote to replace for approximately £975.00 to be paid from the funds for Sovereign Grange. Clerk to provide a letter authorising the order of new trees.</p>	Clerk
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<p>Jenny will meet with David to discuss the positioning of new trees.</p>	Cllr J Dixon
<p>Pavements – last resurfaced over 30 years ago. Clerk to contact County Councillor Annabel De Capell Brooke.</p>	Clerk
<p>Cemetery Trees – Oak Trees. Once received Parish Council will arrange to plant.</p>	Clerk
<p>Augean Road Sweeping – Clerk to contact regarding regular cleaning.</p>	Clerk
<p>Wansford road, trench and camber, railway bridge potholes to be reported.</p>	Clerk
<p>Chairman submitted his apologies for January's meeting and this will be chaired by the Vice-Chairman.</p>	
<p>The next meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 9th January 2019 in Kings Cliffe Active.</p>	
<p>Signed _____ Date _____</p>	