

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTH KILWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Held at South Kilworth Village Hall, Leys Crescent, South Kilworth, Leicestershire

Monday 2nd July 2012

Minute's number - 7

1.0 MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr P Alcock (PA) – Chairman
Mrs J Williams (JW)
Mr R Dorman (RD)
Mr E Roberts (ER)
Mr G Byrne (GB) Vice chairman

Apologies

None

2.0 OTHER ATTENDEES – PARISHIONERS AND NON PARISHIONERS

Mr Colin Olle
Ms Mary Knibbs
Ms Sally Archer
Mr Stephen Willis

3.0 PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 3.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 12th June 2012 as circulated were confirmed as a true record of matters discussed.
RESOLVED: Copy of previous minutes signed by PA

4.0 DISCLOSURES OF MEMBER'S INTERESTS

RD disclosed that an applicant for the Clerks position was a relative, and so disqualified himself from all discussions on this topic.

5.0 REPORTS FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

No Reports

6.0 PLANNING MATTERS INCLUDING MATTERS RECEIVED SINCE POSTING OF AGENDA

- 6.1 Planning Application List
The PC reviewed the planning application for a two storey side and rear extension to Holmewood, North Road. The PC supported the application. Resolved: Filed

7.0 PARISHIONER'S TIME

As dog fouling continues to be problem, and not just in South Kilworth, Mr Ollie brought to the PC's attention the current measures being considered by HDC – see notes in section 12

Ms Archer and Mr Willis highlighted a number of additional points regarding the parking area in Leys Crescent – the actions from this discussion are listed under 8.6

8.0 TO DISPOSE OF BUSINESS, IF ANY, REMAINING FROM THE LAST MEETING

- 8.1 Footpath between the Church and the Grange. This has been marked out for repairs for some time now and is scheduled to happen 'soon'
- 8.2 A "Children Playing" sign will be installed at the entrance to Leys Crescent. REFS 4905388 please see 8.1 comments
- 8.3 Refurbishment of the Village Pump has now started.
- 8.4 PA has contacted HDC requesting a schedule and specification for the grass cutting around the village.
- 8.5 RH had previously asked what area could the Parish Council work on next to enhance the village? We have received one quote so far to refurbish the benches and notice board, and we will try and get some alternative quotes before deciding.
- 8.6 Ms Tibbs mentioned that there used to be a bench on the left of Rugby Road just past the entrance to Dog lane, and asked if we could add the replacement of this to the list for consideration. Suggestions are always welcome on this topic.

- 8.7 PA will follow up with HDC and Seven Lock Housing on two additional points with regard to parking on the grassed area in Leys Crescent;
1. When checking with HDC Enforcement Section to determine if the available parking space is being used appropriately, also ask about any parking restrictions that might apply to large vehicles such as horse boxes.
 2. Two houses have parking spaces in what was once the front gardens - have these changes been approved? Mr Willis made the point that vehicles reversing out of these parking spaces is potentially dangerous when so many children play in that space.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED INCLUDING CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED SINCE POSTING OF AGENDA

9.1 All correspondence was circulated and any relevant matters that arise to be raised at the next meeting

10.0 PRESS RELEASE, POSTERS AND NEWS LETTERS

10.1 All press releases etc were circulated and any relevant matters that arise will be raised at the next meeting.

11.0 ACCOUNTS / FINANCE MATTERS

11.1 ER has taken control of the accounts documentation and has reconciled the Current Account (£2,293) and the Reserve Account (£11,523). The following payments were made;

Description	Invoice Total
Swift Flash advert	£5.00
Total	£5.00

No Income was received between meetings

The audited accounts from 2011/2012 are available for inspection.

12.0 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OTHER MEETINGS OR ORGANISATIONS ON BEHALF OF COUNCIL

Highways/footpaths

We will chase (again!) HDC to see if Welford Road and North Road could be swept and the trees and paths cut back from the carriageway.

Traffic calming to be discussed when Windfarm money is allocated later in the year

Dog Lane has now been partially repaired.

Since the Welford Road traffic diversions the condition of the edges are in a dangerous state of repair. We will follow up with Rod Hook (Mount Sorrell) who has said previously that once the weather improves he will be pulling the verges back with more soil and seeds if necessary fill in any large potholes.

Allotments

A Perkins would like access for a vehicle to be able to put materials down to improve the footpath around the edges of the allotments – please contact Ray Dorman who will make these arrangements.

Agar Venture

ER confirmed the reserve account currently shows £3,579.82 that is earmarked for recreation.

Ms Tibbs asked that children should come forward with suggestions for fund raising they could get directly involved with, and a couple of days later there was a cake sale on the road outside Leys Crescent – very nice cup cakes!

On a less positive note it is sad that one of the smaller pieces of play equipment has been vandalised.

Neighbourhood watch

No Report

Wind Farm

ER attended a Windfarm Community Fund Steering Group meeting.

Feedback from the recent open day in Swinford is that most people are generally happy with steering group proposal for distributing the fund.

One issue to arise is that two of the parishes benefiting from the fund only have committees and not parish councils. This means that they cannot contract with the Windfarm developer (Vattenfall) for their share of the fund.

The most likely way to solve this problem is to establish a Community Interest Company (CIC) to act as an intermediary to contract with Vattenfall and distribute the community fund.

A CIC is a non profit making company.

If this happens South Kilworth PC would need to provide a Director of the company (who would need to be a Parish Councillor) along with the other six parishes.

SK would hold a £1.00 share in the company along with the other parishes. The CIC could then be used as the body to collate the annual reports that Vattenfall require

Website/Broadband

No Report

Dog Fouling

This was raised under Parishioners Time again – clearly we still haven’t got on top of this problem yet.

HDC are considering a bylaw specifically aimed at addressing this problem. This bylaw would in effect extend Dog Control orders to cover any open air space. This proposal is currently at the ‘discussion’ stage, and this would then be followed by a consultation period before a final bylaw was decided

Street Lights

We are now transitioning the maintenance of the street lights to LCC.

Phone Box

We are investigating installing a defibrillator in the phone box, and the shelving was constructed with this in mind. For details of how a defibrillator could benefit the village you can follow the link below from the British Heart Foundation.

<http://www.bhf.org.uk/heart-health/life-saving-skills/defibrillators.aspx>

We were delighted to hear from the Kilworth Challenge, who have very generously offered a significant contribution to the cost of installing a defibrillator - more details to follow!

Parish Council procedure improvements

We have received five applications for the position of Parish Clerk, all strong candidates. The candidates will be interviewed and the selection process complete by the end of July.

13.0 Matters raised to be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting

12.0 MEETING CLOSED

21.00

13.0 Date of Next Meeting

6th August 2012 – 7.30pm start

COPY OF THESE MINUTES SHALL BE CIRCULATED IN SOUTH KILWORTH NEWS, POSTED ON VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD.

AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING SHALL BE POSTED ON THE VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD.

Minutes Signed..... Dated.....