

KIMBOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of the Parish Council held on
Tuesday 13th October 2020 at 7.45pm

Present: Cllrs Will Mears, Henry Beaumont, Doug Underwood, Jo Read, Becky Beaumont, Ed Rollings and Brian Morris.

In Attendance: Cllr John Stone (Ward Councillor), and Brian Tonks (Lengthsman).

1 Apologies for absence

None declared.

2 To receive declarations of personal or prejudicial interest

None declared.

3 To adopt Minutes of the previous meeting – 1st September 2020 were confirmed (to be signed at a later date by the Chairman).

4 Village Reports –

4.1 Footpath Officers – Cllr Mears reported that he now received and quotation from Balfour Beattie to supply some selected footpath style repair materials and marker posts. The quoted amounted to £326.60 + VAT together with a service charge of £39.96 + VAT. On conclusion the Councillors felt that this quotation was not a competitive and the decision was taken to source the materials elsewhere locally. Cllr Mears had now obtained some generic footpath maker arrows, and Brian Tonks proposed that some route specific markers could be used in the future displaying the 'KB' route map numbers to simplify routes with multiple connecting paths. Brian Tonks had also kindly carried out a temporary repair to the footbridge adjacent to Slaughter Castle.

4.2 Lengthsman Scheme – Brian Tonks confirmed that the footpaths along the main A4112 had been strimmed recently by Hitrees. Two areas of frequent flooding were discussed, one being the bend west of Slaughter Castle which is noted to hold water frequently. The other being the bottom of Stanley Bank which has now been improved considerably since last winter. The long term permeant solution for both sites would be to build up the road surface height which would involve considerable engineering works.

Councillor Mears thanked Brain Tonks for all of his hard work on a voluntary basis to date.

4.3 Traffic Calming – Cllr Mears said that there had been no further news from the Stockton Rock development, which would in turn release funds for additional traffic calming measures in the future. He again was activating the SID unit as much as practical.

5 Finance – To note the financial position and consider the following:

- 5.1 Second half year precept received from Hfd Council - **£4,775.75**
- 5.2 Hitrees – strimming along main A4112 - **£216 inc VAT – Paid Cheque No’ 753**
- 5.3 Hardwick Property & Garden Maintenance – Village hall sign installation - **£185 inc – Paid Cheque 754**
- 5.4 J & S Garden Services, Church yard mowing -October - **£300.00 – Paid Cheque 755**
- 5.5 S Rogers – Hedge Trimming along A4112 2019 & 2020 - **£210 inc – Paid Cheque 756.**

Please note two cheque errors No’s 751 Hitrees (VAT not included in payment), cheque 752 Hardwick Property and Garden (cheque not made out to ‘A Hollowood’). Cheques cancelled and stubs kept for records.

6 Kimbolton Village Hall –

Installation of access gates set back off the main road into 2021 was discussed together potential provision in next year’s budget. This would further enhance the hall appearance, and enable improved security.

7 Hammish Village Hall –

Cllr Mears re-iterated again that £2000 had been ring fenced for the cost of re-cladding works, and the hall committee would inform us of when they require the funds.

8 Planning –

- 8.1 202993 – Threshing Barn, Kimbolton – Proposed solar panels installation – no comments raised.
- 8.2 202696 (2019929) – Kimbolton Court Farm – Proposed Installation of an all weather equestrian arena – no comments raised.
- 8.3 20219928 – No’ 1 New Road, Kimbolton – Proposed two story extension – no comments raised.

9 Assets of Community Value – Carried forward

10 To note correspondence:

HALC had kept the Parish Council up to date with the operating requirements during COVID 19 to include the advice to continue holding Zoom meetings at this time.

11 AOB –

- 11.1 Potential supply of sandbags from Kimbolton Village Hall was discussed during the winter 2020/2021 period with the provision of one pallet.
- 11.2 It was proposed that in future the Parish Council should utilise the parish magazine more frequently as a way of reaching out to the community.
- 11.3 It was noted that Cllr Mears is to cover the clerk’s role in the short term due to a family member bereavement.

12 Public Forum – No members of the public participated.

13 Matters for next Agenda -
Assets of community value; traffic calming; report on footpaths; Hamnish Churchyard & Village Hall, bus shelter, Hamnish notice board.

14 Date of next meeting –Tuesday 1st December 2020

15 The meeting was closed at 20.50

Signed:

Date: