

Kimbolton Parish Council

Minutes of the Face to Face Parish Council Meeting at Kimbolton Village Hall on Tuesday 4th
July 2023 at 7.45pm

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

In Attendance: Brian Tonks (Lengthsman and Footpath Co-ordinator) and John Stone.

At the start of the meeting Henry Beaumont and Doug Underwood were gifted Coronation mugs by Lewis Mears

1. **To receive apologies for absence.** – Becky Beaumont
2. **To receive declarations of personal or prejudicial interest** - none
3. **To adopt minutes of the previous meeting** – 6th June 2023 a few changes to be made.
4. **Village Reports –**
 - 4.1 Footpaths – (Brian Tonks)
 - The grass verges along the roads have been cut and looking much better
 - 4.2 Lengthsman - (Brian Tonks).
 - Cllr Ed Rollings is looking into the new drainage grant for the year 23/24
 - Works have been carried out at Pike Lane and the ditch has been dug out.
 - A meeting with the new locality Steward to discuss areas needing work has taken place.
 - Road closure at Grantsfield
 - Herefordshire Council Statement 3rd July 2023
'Carriageway repair due to undermining of the carriageway. Road closure unsafe for use, due to collapse of the road caused by badger digging under the highway. Due to badger licensing laws works cannot begin until the end of July at the earliest'
 - Members of the public voiced their concerns and need of the road.
 - Local farmer is unable to get his equipment to fields due to the road closure.
 - Discussion of road plates being used – Ed to push Balfour Beatty for these.
 - 4.3 Update on A4112 Road Safety/Speeding.
 - Steph Low (local community Officer) attended and police have been in the area recently. With 10 people being stopped and fines have been issued
 - Community Speed Watch
 - 6 Volunteers would be required
 - It would need to be supported by the wider community not just those volunteers
 - Volunteers vetted by the police
 - Training is supplied by the police
 - Equipment is supplied by the police.
 - A road traffic assessment needs to be carried out before further investigation into setting a community speed watch up.
 - Risk assessment also required and insurance.
 - 1st step is for the police to carry out an assessment.

- The council has reservations regarding members of the public being out on the road and the risk that drivers may react to their presence. There is some belief that this will be a silver bullet for the speeding issue. However, it is important to note that this will not prevent speeding motorists. The council will continue with the plan to invest in a broad toolkit of traffic calming measures. Council funds are limited and most measures are dependent on Section 106 monies from the Stockton cross planning application in the village.

- Will Mears is stepping down as the SID operator with new responsibilities he is unable to carry on with this. Kimbolton Parish Council would like to thank Will for all his help over the years. With regards on taking over the maintaining of the SID each month, it was noted that a training course would be required, also extra insurance and a working from height certificate. Offers were made from Mel / David. Further investigation needed about who will take it on.

5. Finance – To note the financial position and consider the following payments

5.1 Online Banking update – It was decided to move the account to another bank – Bell to speak to Lloyds.

5.2 Payment to Bell Beaumont £563.90 - Clerks works for April, May & June 2023 – **Agreed by all**

5.3 Payment to Alison Beaumont for Coronation Expenses £ 84.53

5.4 Payment to Will Mears for Coronation Expenses £ 53.26

5.5 £169.71 was raised at the Coronation – this is to be donated to the following
£30.00 to Ade Albert for payment of Drinks
£70.00 to Leominster Food Bank
£70.00 to We Are Farming Minds

5.6 Payment to Kimbolton Village Hall for the hire of the hall £100.00 – Agreed by all

5.7 Payment to Hitrees INV 5120 £210.00 – Agreed by all

6. Kimbolton Village Hall.

- A few windows require changing – Recommendations of changing to PVC. Bromyard Glass to come and quote

7. Hamnish Village Hall

- Invoice is required for fuel/mowing of the churchyard. Doug to ask the Church treasurer for an invoice. – this will be added to next years budget.

8. Planning Applications –

https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/info/200142/planning_services/planning_application_search/details?id=230573&search-term=P230573 – P230573/F - Upper Bache Cottage, Kimbolton, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 0EP - Proposed change of use from field to residential garden. – **Approved with Conditions – No comments made**

[Planning Search – Herefordshire Council](#) – P181384/F - Field Adjoining A4112 and Chestnut Avenue, Kimbolton, Leominster - Proposed residential development of 25 dwellings along with new access and associated works. – **No further comments made**

9. Assets of Community Value.

- Nothing to mention at this time.

10. To note Correspondence

- An email has been received regarding Herefordshire Minerals & Waste Local Plan Main Modifications Consultation – Ed to look into this.

11. Any Other Business

- Further election forms to be completed

12. Public Forum – To receive comments from members of the public.

- Payment to Parish Magazine
- Hedge cutting on Pike Lane – Judie Welsh has emailed

- The website hasn't been updated recently – BB to make sure this happens before the next meeting.
- BB to take on putting up parish council notices on notice boards

13. To raise matters for next agenda

14. To note date of next meeting –
5th September 2023 at 7.45pm

16. Close the Meeting at 9.21pm

Signed:

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