

# Kings Clipstone Parish Council



**Minutes** of the Meeting of Kings Clipstone Parish Council on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023, 7.00pm at The Shed, Squires Lane, Kings Clipstone.

**Present:** Cllr P Bromley (Chairman)  
Cllr C Hunt  
Cllr A Stanley  
Cllr M Smith  
Cllr C Bradford  
Cllr S Carlton

**In attendance:** 1 member of the public  
Alan Hunt

## 1. Welcome

Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

## 2. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from D/Cllr Peacock & Cllr F Ford and were accepted.

## 3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda

None

## 4. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

The minutes were proposed by Cllr A Stanley and seconded by Cllr C Hunt.

## 5. County Councillors Report

Cllr Scott covered the following points:

- There was going to be a rise in Council Tax by Newark & Sherwood District Council
- The pavements had now been cleared on the path leading from Kings Clipstone to Clipstone has had been discussed previously. It was requested that the company be thanked for their work on this as it had been done in a very timely and professional manner
- It was suggested that the border to this path be filled with wildflower seeds to encourage bees and wildlife – the eco benefits, aesthetics and lower maintenance were seen as a plus by all
- The Gorsethorpe lane pinch point into the village was being reviewed to find a suitable solution, which could be presented for approval – Cllr Scott had requested logs from prior incidents from VIA to evidence the need for action to be taken in this area. Preference was looking at a Give way and pavements to encourage traffic calming measures

- Early March we should hear about the outcome of an application to resurface the road from The Dog & Duck to Sherwood Pines
- The knee high fence, which had been erected at the Mill Lane junction opposite The Sherwood Pines entrance had been successful in clearing the cars which impaired vision at this junction however this has now caused some drivers to parker further down the road on the grass verge – a discussion took place regarding ongoing road safety concerns on this stretch
- A suggestion was made about the need for further Knee high fence on or around the Forest Holdings Junction too
- Cllr Scott explained that he had recently been appointed as the Chair of The Harm to Hope group, which was working on strategies surrounding supporting individuals away from drug / crime activity by giving a more thorough level of support with the interests on a long term solution
- The District Council's consultation was under way on the glass collection scheme in the local area
- Smell issues had been looked into recently – a review had taken place at the Forest Holidays and Sherwood Pines sites on the chemicals used in relation to sewage to ensure the adequate measures were being taken. It had been suggested that the best way to identify where and when the issues arose would be to monitor the reports and complaints made about the issue.
- A local resident had mentioned that STWA had previously highlighted that the drain was due for an upgrade several years ago but it was believed that this had not materialized
- The levelling up Bid which had been sought for the headstock areas had been unsuccessful due to not meeting sufficient criteria – it was to proceed with the sports related activities by Newark & Sherwood
- A bid has been put in for approx. 120 homes in a quadrant of the Headstocks site – concerns were raised about potential issues relating to traffic, access to GP's & schools etc
- It was raised that in the Newark and Sherwood region alone 284 properties were currently empty – plans to increase the council tax relating to these had been sought as this is what has been applied in other areas

## **6. District Councillor's Report**

District Cllr Peacock

Public Protection Business Manager has visited the site in question

Cllr P Bromley requested the contact details of D Cllr Andy Freeman in order to send invite to future meetings.

An email regarding Knee high fencing had been cc'd to Richard Marshall – Cllr Scott was going to follow up this information

## **7. Correspondence from Residents**

Both written and verbal correspondence was received relating to donations towards the additional defibrillator planned to be installed close to the Dog & Duck site. One had been provided details to deposit their donation and £50.00 had been received by a local resident.

Alan Hunt enquired about the option to dispose of garden debris, which had been cleared whilst maintaining the village Shed site. Cllr P Bromley offered to assist.

## **8. Correspondence**

### **8. Village Councillor's Report**

Cllr P Bromley reported:

- The accounts had now been finalized and fees paid
- Documents relating to playground equipment had been received and to be forwarded on to Cllr C Hunt
- A letter had been received from Newark & Sherwood in relation to the level of the Precept sought for KCPC in 2023/24

Cllr A Stanley confirmed the defibrillator had now been fixed to the Bus stop site by himself and local resident Alan Hunt.

Cllr C Hunt presented a traffic calming measure, which had been used in an area close to Rutland Water, which may be ideal for the area to be improved in our village

## 11. Planning Matters

There were no planning matters.

## 12. Agenda Items's to Discuss

### i) Precept

It was agreed by all that the precept would be kept at £9975.00, the same level as last year. The form is due to be completed by Paul

### ii) Update on Defibrillator Donations

Cllr P Bromley confirmed that 2 donations had been received so far

### iii) Telephone Box

Cllr P Bromley suggested that the telephone box could be relocated on the Shed site to be used by the parish. Cllr S Carlton said he would look into this.

### iv) Shed Meeting Events for 2023

Following recent coffee mornings Cllr C Hunt expressed how well received the sessions had been, with a good turnout. The next sessions were discussed (Easter, History group and Mosaic session). Cllr C Hunt suggested that a notice board might be useful to help advertise up and coming events. It was thought an existing notice board could be repurposed for this and another may be required to display outdoors to identify The Shed.

### v) Playing Field Grant Application

Cllr C Hunt detailed her progress on obtaining quotes for the groundwork required to place the equipment on.

The area was planned to have apparatus including 2 swings and a cushioned flooring.

It was discussed that the Insurance would need updating to reflect the changes to the site.

### vi) Coronation Event, Flag & Coins

Cllr C Hunt had received information regarding Coronation coins but had not been able to open the link to view.

It was raised that Grants could be available for hosting community events marking the event but as of yet no details were available.

Ideas around the Kings flag, bunting and a union flag were discussed but it was decided that more plans could be decided once we had more information on grants etc

## 13. Finance Report

### i) Finance update

The bank statements and ongoing expected income and expenses were shared with those present

### ii) Accounting System – Scribe

Cllr P Bromley and Cllr C Bradford to arrange implementation of the new software now accounts information is complete.

iii) New bank card

Cllr P Bromley confirmed that a new bank card had now been received.

**14. To discuss the Clerk advert**

It was suggested that long term a clerk would need to be appointed to carry out the role.

**15. Accounts for Payment**

It was discussed that reimbursement was required for use of personal resources in the printing of newsletters/ documents by Cllr Alan Stanley, Cllr P Bromley and Cllr C Hunt

**16. Date of Next Meeting**

This will be Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm.

Cllr C Bradford gave apologies for the March meeting.

Chairman thanked all those present for their attendance, and closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

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Paul Bromley, Chairman

Date:.....