

MINUTES OF THE KINGSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 18TH JANUARY 2023, 7.00PM, AT ST DAVID'S CHURCH, EASTERN AVENUE SOUTH, KINGSTHORPE, NORTHAMPTON, NN2 7QB

PRESENT: Cllrs, Sam Kilby-Shaw, Mamun Ali, Titus Ajayi, Tony Ward, Arthur Newbury, Rachael Ball, Eluned Lewis-Nichol, Bryan Lewin, Steve Miller, Elaine Miller, Dilip Kumar

ALSO PRESENT: Alison Barnes (Parish Clerk)

ABSENT: Cllrs, Aishat Oguntuga, Nilesh Parekh, Sally Beardsworth, Michael O'Connor

01/23 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr, Beardsworth due to other commitments and Cllr O'Connor due to sickness. Proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr E Miller, and unanimously resolved that the apologies be accepted

02/23 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None declared

03/23 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Ward, and resolved with 6 votes for and 4 abstentions to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th December 2022

04/23 REPORTS FROM POLICE REPRESENTATIVES AND WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCILLORS

PC 520 Louise O'Sullivan and PS 1338 Kath Roberts presented the crime report for January 2023. Overall crime was lower than in 2022.

05/23 DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

06/23 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS SERVING ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Cllr Ward gave a verbal report regarding the meeting of the 21 Libraries. A report was submitted which included information KPC's current position regarding the acquisition of the Library. The next meeting of the 21GLN will be held on Wednesday, 8th February 2023 in Northampton. A further report will be forthcoming at the March Council meeting.

At 19.18 Cllr Kumar arrived at the meeting

07/23 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cllr Kilby-Shaw gave a verbal update regarding the Welford Road Allotments and advised that the Recruitment training scheduled for 14th February 2023, 10am via Zoom is open to all members

08/23 CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION LOG

Noted

09/23 FINANCE

It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Lewin, and unanimously resolved:

- 9.1 To receive and note the Bank Reconciliation for December 2022
- 9.2 To receive a budget report showing expenditure for the year to date
- 9.3 To approve and authorise payments for expenditure as detailed totaling £14,622.34

10/23 COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

- 10.1 Cllr Ball gave a verbal update following a VAS sign site meeting on 13th January, with Keir/Highways. The working group under Standing Order 7(a) gave written notice to rescind the motion previously adopted to purchase 3, mobile, solar panelled, signs, however due to a massive cost difference, they recommend purchasing battery devices instead and for the Clerk to look into Council applying to the Police Commissioner for a Road Safety Grant which allows up to £5000 for a road safety scheme, which includes VAS signs. After much discussion it was proposed by Cllr Ball, seconded by Cllr Ajayi, and resolved with 10 votes for and 1 abstention

10.2 It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Ball, and unanimously resolved to receive and note the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 9th January 2023

10.3 **PLANNING APPLICATION**

WND/2021/0500

Residential development of affordable homes including access, parking, landscaping and associated infrastructure

Land Off Central Avenue, Boughton

It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr S Miller, and unanimously resolved that the Clerk contacts the Planning Officer and the Chair of the Planning Committee, that Kingsthorpe Parish Council, would like to request that application WND/2021/0500 is deferred/withdrawn, for the reasons being, that the report sent by the Officers is inaccurate, the Council have not been contacted as a Statutory Consultee and should be given the right to formulate a proper response via its next Planning Meeting.

If the application is not deferred, Cllr Newbury is duly authorised to attend the Strategic Planning Committee on 23rd January 2023, as Councils representative

The meeting was adjourned at 20.06 and reconvened 20.10

At 20.08 Cllr Ali gave his apologies to the Chairman, left the meeting, and did not return

11/23 **WELCOME TO KINGSTHORPE SIGNS**

It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Ward, and unanimously resolved on the following locations:

11.1 Kingsley Road/Kingsthorpe Grove - On the corner of the grass, near the Tram Shelter

11.2 Kingsthorpe Road – Next to the park

11.3 Mill Lane – Just prior to the houses

11.4 Broughton Green Road – Near the Yardley Drive junction

11.5 Holly Lodge Drive

11.6 The Clerk to contact WNC regarding the possibility of the 2 old Borough signs being removed and replaced with 2 new Kingsthorpe Parish Council "Welcome Signs"

12/23 **WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL DRAFT BUDGET 2023/24 CONSULTATION**

Councillors to respond directly as individuals

13/23 **COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH 2023**

It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr E Miller, and unanimously resolved that Council wishes to take part and support the Northamptonshire Police Community Speed Watch programme 2023. Cllr S Miller asked for support from Councillors and for Council to engage with residents for further assistance

14/23 **TO CONSIDER ANY CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Members noted the following correspondence:

14.1 St Aidan's SVP

14.2 West Northamptonshire Council - Town and Parish Briefing

15/23 **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY**

The Chairman on behalf of the members, thanked Cllr Newbury for all his efforts regarding the distribution of 100 blankets within the community on the lead up to Christmas

16/23 **DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING**

To note the date as Wednesday 15th March 2023 at 7.00pm

The Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and there being no further business, he closed the meeting at 20.33

Signed:
Chairman

Date: