

**MINUTES OF THE KINGSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY
21ST JUNE 2023, 7.00PM, AT ST DAVID'S CHURCH, EASTERN AVENUE SOUTH, KINGSTHORPE,
NORTHAMPTON, NN2 7QB**

PRESENT: Cllrs, Titus Ajayi, Tony Ward, Arthur Newbury, Michael O'Connor,
Rachael Ball, Eluned Lewis-Nichol, Sam Kilby-Shaw, Dilip Kumar,

ALSO PRESENT: Alison Barnes (Clerk) PCSO Barber, Resident

ABSENT: Cllrs, Aishat Oguntuga, Mamun Ali, Elaine Miller, Steve Miller, Sally Beardsworth, Bryan Lewin

77/23 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs, S Miller, Lewin, Beardsworth, and Ali. Cllr Kumar advised he would be late. It was proposed by Cllr Ball, seconded by Kilby-Shaw, and unanimously resolved that the apologies be accepted

78/23 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None declared

79/23 MINUTES

79.1 It was proposed by Cllr Newbury, seconded by Cllr Ward, and unanimously resolved to confirm the minutes of the Annual meeting held Wednesday 17th May 2023

79.2 It was proposed by Cllr Ball, seconded by Cllr O'Connor, and resolved with 4 votes for and 3 abstentions to confirm the minutes of the Extraordinary meeting held on Monday 5th June 2023

80/23 REPORTS FROM POLICE REPRESENTATIVES AND WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCILLORS

PCSO Barber presented the crime report for May 2023. An increase in burglary and vehicle damage.

A stabbing incident took place earlier in the day on the Harborough Road, enquiries will be prompt due to witness evidence

Even though an increase of knife crime in the county, there are no measures in place for officers to conduct 'no suspicion' stop and searches for dangerous weapons. A Section 60 order would need to put in place for a limited time within a specified area

Councillor Ball asked, regarding anti-social activity on Larwood Close, opposite Windmill pub. PCSO Barber to investigate

81/23 DEPUTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

None

82/23 PUBLIC HEALTH WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Deferred due to no representation by West Northamptonshire Council

83/23 DISQUALIFICATION OF COUNCILLOR NILESH PAREKH AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL AND DECLARATION OF VACANCY OF OFFICE

83.1 It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Newbury, and unanimously resolved to resolve in the office of Councillor Nilesh Parekh, a member of Kingsthorpe Parish Council, that he is disqualified pursuant to section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act, 1972

83.2 It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Ball, and unanimously resolved to declare that a vacancy has occurred in the office of Councillor Nilesh Parekh, a member of Kingsthorpe Parish Council, pursuant to section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act, 1972

84/23 CHAIR'S REPORT

Cllr Ajayi reported that he had attended, along with Cllr Ball, the 'Carry a Basketball not a Blade' campaign event

85/23 CLERK'S REPORT AND ACTION LOG

Members received and noted updates on matters from previous meetings. The Clerk advised that the Floral Displays will be erected on 28th June 2023

7.34PM Cllr Kumar arrived at the meeting

86/23 REPORTS FROM MEMBERS SERVING ON OUTSIDE BODIES

After much discussion it was resolved that Cllr Ward would remain as Council's 21 Group Libraries Network representative

87/23 COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

It was proposed by Cllr O'Connor, seconded by Cllr Ward, and unanimously resolved to accept the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 5th June 2023

88/23 FINANCE

It was proposed by Cllr O'Connor, seconded by Cllr Ward, and unanimously resolved to:

- 88.1 To approve and authorise payments for expenditure as detailed totaling £6352.03
- 88.2 To note the budget report showing expenditure for the year to date
- 88.3 To note the Bank Reconciliations for April and May 2023

89/23 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN

It was proposed by Cllr Newbury, seconded by Cllr Ward, and unanimously resolved:

- 89.1 To review and note the report of the Internal Auditor
- 89.2 To endorse each of the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1)
- 89.3 To endorse the Annual Accounting Statement (Section 2)
- 89.4 To approve the electoral rights of inspection of accounts will begin on Friday 23rd June to Thursday 3rd August 2023
- 89.5 To note the Council's Asset Register for year ending 31st March 2023

90/23 ANNUAL REVIEW OF COUNCIL'S POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND PRACTICES

It was proposed by Cllr Newbury, seconded by Cllr Ball, and resolved with 7 votes for and 1 abstention to approve the amendment to Standing Orders with immediate effect and to adopt the following polices:

- 90.1 To receive Report No. PC/03/6/23
- 90.2 Absence and Sickness
- 90.3 Breast Feeding
- 90.4 Code of Conduct
- 90.5 Complaints Procedure
- 90.6 Data Protection
- 90.7 Data Breach
- 90.8 Disciplinary
- 90.9 Equality and Diversity
- 90.10 Expenses
- 90.11 Financial Regulations
- 90.12 Grants
- 90.13 Grievance
- 90.14 Member-Officer
- 90.15 Model Publication Scheme
- 90.16 Records Retention Policy
- 90.17 Standing Orders

91/23 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS

It was proposed by Cllr Ball, seconded by Cllr O'Connor, and resolved with 7 votes for and 1 abstention to approve the schedule of Ordinary meetings for the remainder of the municipal year

Adjourned at 7.56pm and reconvened 8.01pm

92/23 KINGSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING

- 92.1 It was proposed by Cllr O'Connor, seconded by Cllr Newbury, and resolved with 7 votes for and 1 abstention to hold a consultation on Knife Crime and to engage with Kidzlink, Support Agencies, Community Organisations, and members of the public
- 92.2 It was proposed by Cllr O'Connor, seconded by Cllr Newbury, and resolved with 7 votes for and 1 abstention to hold the event on Saturday 8th July 2023
- 92.3 It was proposed by Cllr O'Connor, seconded by Cllr Newbury, and resolved with 7 votes for and 1 abstention that the event shall take place at 3pm

93/23 LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIPS BRIEFING SESSION – MONDAY 26TH JUNE 2023

It was proposed by Cllr Kilby-Shaw, seconded by Cllr Ajayi, and unanimously resolved to elect Cllrs, Kilby-Shaw, and Ajayi as Council's representatives

94/23 REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE – SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2023

It was proposed by Cllr O'Connor, seconded by Cllr Newbury, and resolved with 7 votes for and 1 abstention that Council does not wish this year to submit an application for a temporary road closure order but will offer the Church the use of St Davids Community Association PA System

95/23 TO CONSIDER ANY CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 95.1 Members noted correspondence received from St David's 4U Community Cafe and Foodbank
- 95.2 After much discussion, members felt the response received from the West Northamptonshire Community Liaison Officer regarding speeding on Boughton Green Road in Northampton was unacceptable. The Clerk to respond on Council's behalf

96/23 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- 96.1 Cllr Ball thanked Cllrs, Lewin, and E Miller for their efforts, tidying up outside Kingsthorpe Library
- 96.2 Cllr Kilby-Shaw has raised concerns about the new Vape Shop's proximity to Whitehills Primary School, and that planning permission for a new Childrens home has also been granted nearby on Greenhills Road

97/23 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Members noted the date as Wednesday 19th July 2023 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.46pm

Signed:
Chair:

Date: