

KINGSLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KINGSLAND PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 7.30 PM ON WEDNESDAY 20 APRIL 2022 AT THE CORONATION HALL

PRESENT: Mrs C Sawyers (Chairman), Mrs S Rowsell, Mrs L Juson, Mr R Bayliss, Mr D Fordham, Mr R Harris, Mr J Vaughan and Mr B J Watkins.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ward Cllr. S Bowen; and Mr R Hewitt, Clerk. Two (2) members of the public were present including one (1) public member of the playground working group.

- 2022/1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from Mr G Bradley (Vice Chairman). It was noted that the minutes show that Ms E Pickard last attended in September 2021, and that the Local Government Act 1972 states that when a Council Member does not attend any meeting for six consecutive months from the date of the last attendance, they cease to be a councillor.
- 2022/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION** – None.
- 2022/3 MINUTES OF MEETINGS**
The minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2022 were agreed.
- 2022/4 REPORT ON HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL**
Ward Cllr. Bowen reported on the roads. Work on the culvert by Lugg Green bridge is expected to start in May 2022. Speed enforcement has been requested for Cobnash. A JCB Patcher Pro is available now to help maintain the roads. The roads are vastly underfunded in the county as a whole and treated as a ‘deteriorating asset’. Gullies have been cleared and a map showing their locations requested.
- The new High Sheriff has been declared at Hereford Cathedral. The High Sherriff is the oldest legal office in the county. The city has hosted a farrier exhibition on blacksmithing.
- 2022/5 LOCAL RESIDENTS’ DISCUSSION**
There were no matters raised.
- 2022/6 CLERK’S REPORT**
SID data was noted from the March 2022 deployment. For technical reasons only one set of data is available, and this is reflected in the charge for the deployment. According to the data, the average speed of 85 percent of readings was 31 miles per hour. Welsh Water’s independent environmental advisory panel have been made aware of the report of discharges into Pinsley Brook (2021/ 182). A notice of vacancy will be posted shortly. Overhanging branches by the Cholstrey turning have been reported to the highway authority. A site meeting will be held shortly with a village gate supplier and the highway authority. The completion report for the restoration work on the Monument has been submitted to the War Memorials Trust.
- 2022/7 PLANNING**
220837 West Town House, Kingsland, HR6 9SE – Proposed two storey rear extension.
The planning application was supported.

220992 Shirlheath Farm, Shirlheath, Kingsland, HR6 9RJ – Proposed steel portal framed building side extension of an existing cattle barn to construct a new muck store. *The planning application was supported.*

Herefordshire Council have granted planning permission for: 214466, 1 Hazeldene; and 214417 Kingsland Sawmills. Works to trees within a conservation area are allowed for 220373 Tudor House.

2022/8 PLAYGROUND FOR OLDER CHILDREN

A verbal report from the working group was noted. The parish council agreed to proceed with a planning application for the proposed playground. In respect of funding, it was resolved to provide up to £10,000 from the two charitable foundations, and to raise as much of the funding for the project as possible from grants and available section 106 monies held by the planning authority.

2022/9 FINANCE

The receipt of £8,000 from Herefordshire Council (half of 2022-23 precept) was noted. The following payments were agreed: Cliveden Conservation, restoration of monument (£4,650.00); Balfour Beatty, SID hire, March 2022 (£276.00); Clerk, wages increment 2021-22 (SLCC/ HALC); Clerk, office and administration April 2021-March 2022 (£502.81).

It was resolved to enter into a five-year long-term agreement with the parish council's insurers.

2022/10 HIGHWAYS/ LENGTHSMAN SCHEME

The expression of interest in participating in the lengthsman scheme and annual maintenance plan has been reviewed and accepted by the highway authority. The meeting resolved to sign the lengthsman contract with the highway authority.

The locality steward has been asked to arrange for North Road to be swept. This is subject to a site visit by the locality steward.

The parish council has been awarded a grant of £4,339.00 by the highway authority for drainage works. The grant is payable against the invoices for work done. The meeting resolved to sign the contract for drainage work with the highway authority.

2022/11 P3 FOOTPATHS

The expression of interest in participating in the P3 footpath scheme and annual maintenance plan has been reviewed and accepted by the highway authority. The meeting resolved to sign the P3 footpath contract with the highway authority.

The kissing gate purchased recently has been exchanged for a smaller unit better suited to the location it is to be used in. Management of public rights of way has been moved back to Herefordshire Council which will work with Hoople to deliver PROW services.

- 2022/12 LOCAL PLAN 2021-41**
It was agreed to delegate responses to Local Plan 2021-41 consultations and surveys to the Clerk in consultation with parish council members until such time as the Herefordshire Local Plan 2021-41 is adopted. The Clerk was asked to respond to the Policy Options consultation and Rural settlements services and environmental survey.
- 2022/13 OCCASIONAL PREMISES LICENCE**
The occasional premises licence application was supported.
- 2022/14 LOCAL POLICING COMMUNITY CHARTER SURVEY**
The survey was delegated to the Clerk for completion.
- 2022/15 MATTERS RAISED FOR THE NEXT MEETING (no discussion)**
Clear plastic shield to protect the Monument.
- 2022/16 INFORMATION ITEMS**
The information items on the agenda were noted.
- 2022/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**
The next meeting will be at the Coronation Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 25 May 2022.
- The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.14pm.

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