

KINGSLAND PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD AT 7.00PM ON WEDNESDAY 28 MAY 2025 AT THE CORONATION HALL

PRESENT: Cllr. C Sawyers (Chairman), Cllr. R Harris, Cllr. S Hicks, Cllr. S Morgan, Cllr. D Thompson, Cllr. J Vaughan and Cllr. B J Watkins. Two (2) members of the public were present.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ward Cllr. D Hurcomb; Mr M Heeley, lengthsman; and Mr R Hewitt, Clerk.

1. Apologies for absence – Cllr. D Fordham, Cllr. P Saunders and Cllr. J Vaughan.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes of the annual parish meeting held on 22 May 2024 were agreed and signed.

3. Chairman's report

Cllr. C Sawyers' report is available with the parish records.

4. Public discussion of local matters

Cllr. S Hicks' report on the lengthsman is available with the parish records. Cllr. S Morgan's footpath report is available with the parish records.

5. Observations of the Bircher Ward Councillor

Ward Cllr. Hurcomb has been appointed to the cabinet with responsibility for highways and associated lengthsman, drainage and public rights of way. Finances were balanced in 2024-25. Highways have had significant investment to improve the quality of the road network. The section of road by Luctonians has been raised as needing resurfacing. Funding for drainage and PROW grants has been agreed. Funding is in place for Phase 2 of the Hereford bypass and contractors will be approached shortly. The bypass will allow for 15,000 new dwellings. There is a big programme to remove trees with Ash die back alongside the road network. Hundreds of trees are expected to be felled.

Cllr. Thompson expressed grateful thanks for the resurfacing of roads in the parish in the past year.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35 pm.

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