

KILMINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY 10th OCTOBER 2022 AT 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: P. Ball (Chair), M. Collier, S. Huscroft, S. Seward, K. Veberth,
A. Dare, M. Jones, J. Mear & B. Trott

In Attendance: A Jenkins (Clerk/RFO)

Members of Public: 3

The Chair welcomed everyone to the Council meeting and outlined / reminded everyone of the Covid-19 measures which had been adopted for Council meetings.

OPEN SESSION

Reverend Julie Lomas, the Vicar of St. Giles Church and Mike Hudson, the Pastor of the Beacon Baptist Church both spoke about the Warm welcome Campaign, which is a new nationwide Churches led campaign to support communities. It is a mission to support community organisations to open their doors and provide a warm welcome for those struggling to heat their homes this winter. The campaign aims to organise places within the community that can offer a warm welcome. that have opened or are opening up free, warm, welcoming spaces for the public over this winter.

They said that there is scope for the Parish Council, Churches and Village organisations to work together to ensure that there are places in the Community during the entire week offering a free warm welcome to parishioners. These places offering a Warm Welcome and perhaps hot food and drink can then be signposted on the website, Postscript and the Churches and other organisations. It will support people both physically and emotionally during these anxious and financially worrying times for those who are afraid of switching on their heating etc.

Cllr. Seward suggested that the Churches take the lead on this campaign within Kilmington, organise a meeting of all the various village organisations and coordinate the places that are able to offer a Warm Welcome.

Cllr. Ball thanked Reverend Lomas and Pastor Hudson for their initiative on this matter and said that the Council welcomed and supported this campaign to support parishioners.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

1. Apologies

None

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Seward on Item 9 c) 4

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd August 2022

The minutes were declared a true record of the proceedings, proposed by Cllr. Seward, seconded by Cllr. Huscroft, all in favour.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

Cllr. Ball reported on the Jubilee events accounts. The net income from the events was £1,519.19 and this amount had been paid into the Parish Council Lloyds account.

5. Reports:

a) Police

No report received

b) District and County Councillors

No report received

c) Clerk

Nothing to report

d) Kilmington Neighbourhood Support Group

Nothing to report. Cllr. Ball suggested that this agenda item in future be changed To the Warm Welcome campaign.

e) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr. Ball reported that the Referendum had resulted in a very positive response from the Parish with 288 votes (94.5%) in favour of the Neighbourhood Plan as against 17 votes (5.5%) against. The turn out had been 41.5% with 305 ballot papers out of an electorate of 735.

The Neighbourhood Plan would now be considered by EDDC for formal policy adoption.

Cllr. Ball also briefly reported on the various preferred development sites within Kilmington parish that EDDC were now considering for inclusion within their draft Local Plan.

f) Highways Matters

1) Update on Village 20

The Chair reported that together with the Clerk he had attended a Devon Highways workshop at the recent DALC conference. The subject of 20mph speed limits in villages was a concern and high priority with all the Parish Councils present at the workshop.

Many of the councils were putting up signs on private property asking drivers to slow to 20mph and to drive carefully through their village. Devon Highways said they were of this aware but warned that the red roundel must not be used on the signs as this would be illegal and that Devon Highways would enter private properties to remove any signs using the roundels.

The Clerk said that the national campaign - 20's Plenty for Us which is a 'not for profit' organisation with over 600 local groups campaigning for 20 mph speed limits to make cities, towns and villages better and safer places to be.

They campaign for a speed limit of 20mph to be normal on residential streets and in town and village centre. They use signage with a red heart shaped surround rather than a red roundel. Many parishes are using these signs and the graphics they have available.

Devon Highways had said at the workshop that for 2022 120 parishes had applied for a 20mph speed limit but as the budget was only £100,000 they had only been

able to approve 4 applications as the average cost of implementing a 20mph speed limit was £25,000.

They had said that a petition was a good thing to organise as it would help to demonstrate with any future application if it showed that the whole community or a very high percentage were in favour of 20mph limit being introduced. Also a Speedwatch scheme was encouraged as the data it produces can support the application.

Cllr. Ball proposed that the matter be further discussed at the January meeting.

2) A35 Meeting

Cllr. Ball reported that the meeting was due to take place on the 27th October and that the invitations to all the other Parish and Town Councils, relevant county Councillors and DCC Highways officers had been issued. He had spoken to our local M.P.'s (Richard Foorde) office and a representative from his office will attend the meeting.

3) Other matters

None

g) Playground

1) Playground surfacing

Cllr. Jones said that he had attended to the edging issue but there were some other matters to be done. The Clerk reported that at the DALC conference the Chair and himself had spoken to a number of Play Equipment companies about the surfacing issue.

2) Broken step

The Clerk to contact the play equipment company.

h) Trees

1) Tree Management Plan

The Clerk gave Cllr. Jones the advice notes he had received from the Tree Safety Arborist to base a Tree management Plan on.

2) Kilmington Common Management Plan

Cllr. Ball advised that EDDC had recommended the removal of a Larch and an oak tree from the lowland heath area of Kilmington Common. These were two small trees. Cllr. Seward proposed that they be removed, seconded by Cllr. Jones. All in Favour. Cllr Jones will remove them.

i) Footpaths Report

None

j) Queens Platinum Jubilee Events Accounts

Dealt with under matters arising

k) DALC AGM / Conference

Cllr. Ball gave a brief report on the DALC conference which he had found to be extremely useful and informative and well worth attending.

l) Any Other Reports

None

6. To consider any matters pertaining to Coronavirus and Kilmington Parish

None

7. Correspondence

All correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors

13. Planning Applications:

a) **22/2170/CPL - Chimneys Whitford Road Kilmington Devon EX13 7RG**

Certificate of lawfulness for single storey rear extension, enlargement of existing lean-to and replacement of existing pitched roof with hipped roof with slates, 2 x rooflights to existing roof and addition of new door and open porch in location of existing side window

Councillors should note this is included on the agenda for information purposes only, as there are no statutory consultations for Certificates of lawfulness.

Noted

14. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

Venue and Dates for 2023 Council Meetings

15. Date and Time of Next Meeting

14th November 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

Signed *P. Ball*

Date **14/11/2022**