

KENTISBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on December 7th 2021 in Kentisbeare Village Hall at 7pm.

Present: N Allan (Chair), Mrs Q Broom, Mrs E Ellicott, M Disney, E Southerden, Mrs F Ryan, R Shore-Quinain and the Clerk. MDDC Cllr. R Evans attended as an interested member of the public. Mr J Penfold was present for the entire meeting, being co-opted at minute 163/12/21.

160/12/21. Public Question Time: None.

161/12/21. Apologies: Cllrs. Woofenden, Sanders, DCC Cllr. Berry and MDDC Cllr. D Pugsley.

162/12/21. Declarations of Interest: Cllr. R Shore-Quinain (DPI as spouse) payment to the Clerk.

163/12/21. Co-option of a Parish Councillor: Mr J Penfold was in attendance in respect of co-option having submitted an application. One other application had been received and the applicant was not present. The Council went into Part 2 and Mr Penfold and Evans left the meeting whilst the council considered the applications. Cllr. Penfold and Mr Evans were invited back and voting took place. Cllr. Penfold was co-opted by a unanimous vote. Cllr. Penfold will complete a Declaration of Acceptance of Office form at the next meeting.

164/12/21. The Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 09/11/21 were approved and duly signed by the Chairman. *Cllr. Southerden joined the meeting.*

165/12/21. Matters Arising: None.

166/12/21. Planning:

a) Applications to be considered:

-21/01887/MFUL Erection of 10 holiday lodges and 1 reception lodge. Millhayes Lakes Kentisbeare. EX15 2FQ. No objections.

-Revised drawings received in respect of: 21/01637/FULL & 21/01638/LBC Listed Building Consent & permission for the conversion of outbuilding to visitor/holiday accommodation. Lower Kingsford, Kentisbeare, Devon. EX15 2AU. No objections.

b) Results of applications from Mid Devon District Council.

-21/01549/FULL Erection of an agricultural storage building. Land at NGR 305416 106710 (North East of Aller Cross) Kentisbeare. Approved.

-21/01965/CAT Notification of intention to dismantle 1 Horse Chestnut tree and 1 Scotts Pine tree to ground level; fell 2 Willow trees; reduce and reshape 1 Blackthorn tree by 2m; reduce 1 Wild Plum tree by 1m and coppice 1 Hazel tree within the Conservation Area. 7 Silver Street, Kentisbeare. EX15 2BH. Approved.

c) Culm Garden Village. (i) Report on recent meetings – there is a Delivery Board meeting due to take place shortly. (ii) Any other matters - none.

d) MDDC - Parish Council Planning Training: Following the online meeting on 25/11/21 which Cllr. Woofenden attended, an online training session will take place with the Development Manager on 20/01/22 where some of the Parish Council will endeavour to attend.

e) Any other Planning Matters. (i) It was noted that alleged breaches for Enforcement must now be reported to MDDC using an online form.

167/12/21. Highways: The Chairman and the Clerk attended various sessions of the DCC Parish & Town Council Conference on 24/11 and 25/11/21. The Clerk will report that the finger posts on the directional sign at Nibby's Cross have been incorrectly fixed following the re-siting of the sign. Fly tipping at Stags Corner and Broad will be reported.

168/12/21. Kentisbeare Play Area.

a) Cycle track: An application for planning will be submitted before Christmas.

b) Proposed variation of the Mid Devon (Public Spaces Protection) (Dog Control) Order 2021 – as reported at the last meeting a consultation will take place shortly.

c) Grass Cutting Contract from April 2022 – the current contract expires on 31/03/22. The Clerk will prepare documents and obtain quotations for a three year contract.

d) Any other matters: The moles appear to be quite active. One quotation has been obtained, another will be sourced.

169/12/21. Reports.

- a) Access - P3 Footpaths and Parish Paths: The Clerk and P3 Co-ordinator will meet with the contractor in January. Cllrs: Allan, Southerden and Penfold will help with the path survey this year.
- b) The Clerk: Cllr. Allan will attend the DCC Autumn briefings online with Cllr. John Hart. It is hoped to arrange an open meeting with Mid Devon Mobility in the spring following correspondence received.
- c) Website: A report was given on the website – in summary there has been little change on the website but fairly big increases on Facebook and the newsletter.
- d) Any other reports: None.

170/12/21. Finance.

- a) The bank balance was noted as at 30/11/21. Direct Debits taken were noted as: EDF 10/11 - £7, Nest 01/11 £67.32 and 30/11 - £68.52, Utility Warehouse 30/11 - £41.05. Credit of £5 on 02/11 website advertising.
- b) Payments were approved totalling £2919.40.
 - Chq 1894 Clerk – salary and expenses. See declarations.
 - Chq 1895 SMA Services Ltd. Payroll provider.
 - Chq 1896 Website works.
 - Chq 1897 Dutch Landscape Architects Ltd. Interim invoice ref cycle track.
 - Chq 1898 Nicholas Page. Footpath P3 work.
 - Chq 1899 Kentisbeare Village Hall. Room hire.
 - Chq 1900 Society of Local Council Clerks. Membership renewal for the Clerk.
 - Chq 1901 CPRE. Membership renewal.
- c) To note that cheque number 1874 for £45 to Geosphere has been cancelled and is replaced with cheque number 1902.
- d) The Clerk will ask request details of work in the Parish following a request for a donation to CHAT (Churches Housing Action Team (Mid Devon) Ltd.
- e) Parish website – a quotation from Cosmic regarding an important upgrade was approved.
- f) Following a review of costs it was agreed for no increase on the following: (i) Advertising costs on the Parish website for 2022. (ii) Use of office equipment by the Parish Clerk as Booking Secretary for the Village Hall. (iii) Allotment Rental 2022/23.
- g) Any other financial matters – notification received of a date of 21/01/22 for submission of the precept demand to MDDC.

171/12/21. Correspondence & Consultations. The following was noted – consultation re: Devon and Somerset Fire and Rescue Service; draft Community Risk Management

172/12/21. Items for information, future agenda items, and dates of future meetings. 11/01/22, 08/02/22, 08/03/22, 12/04/22.