

## KENTISBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 at 7pm in Kentisbeare Village Hall.

**Present:** Cllrs. Mr Neil Woofenden (Acting Chairman), Mrs Felicity Ryan, Mark Kent, Mrs Elise Ellicott, Martin Disney, MDDC Cllr. John Poynton and the Clerk. *Due to apologies received from the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Cllr. Neil Woofenden took the meeting.*

**119/09/24.** Public Question Time: None.

**120/09/24.** Apologies: Cllrs. Mr Nick Allan, Mrs Queenie Broom, Mr Edd Southerden, Mr Oliver Forster, Mrs Lorna Downing, DCC Cllr. John Berry and MDDC Cllrs. Cathy Connor and Andrea Glover.

**121/09/24.** Declarations of Interest: None.

**122/09/24.** The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 06/08/2024 were approved and duly signed by the Acting Chairman.

**123/09/24.** Matters Arising: None.

#### **124/09/24. Planning & Planning Correspondence/Information:**

**a)** Applications to be considered by the Parish Council.

-24/01231/LBC Listed building Consent for the installation of a T3 aerial to the side/north face elevation. Croyle House, Kentisbeare. EX15 2AP. No objections.

-24/01201/FULL Erection of an agricultural storage building. Land and Buildings at NGR 307988 107341 Orway Porch Farm Kentisbeare Devon. No objections.

-24/00926/FULL Removal of condition 4 of planning permission 19/00932/FULL (Erection of a holiday lodge) relating to holiday occupancy to allow full residential use. Land at NGR 306164 108930 Kentisbeare. No objections.

**b)** Results of applications from Mid Devon District Council.

24/00686/HOUSE Erection of two-storey front and side extensions and external alterations following demolition of existing attached garage. Wressing Barton, Kentisbeare, EX15 2AR. Approved.

24/00817/FULL Erection of an agricultural building. Land at NGR 307532 109772 Highwoods Farm, Kentisbeare. Approved.

**c)** Culm Garden Village. (i) To appoint a temporary representative to attend Delivery Board meetings until further notice, in place of the Vice-Chairman – it was agreed to appoint Cllr. Woofenden and to enquire if the Clerk and Cllr. Mrs Ellicott could be noted as reserve representatives. (ii) Any other matters: None.

**d)** Any other Planning Matters: None.

#### **125/09/24. Highways.**

**a)** To agree on the location for an HGV sign along Rectory Road – it was agreed for a sign to be placed before Moorhayne Cross; a quotation is awaited.

**b)** Items to report and any other matters: The Clerk is in touch with DCC regarding outstanding issues and will make further enquiries regarding the remarking of the junction lines in the village square.

#### **126/09/24. Reports.**

**a)** The Clerk: None.

**b)** Reports from DCC & MDDC Councillors: MDDC Cllr. Poynton reported on successful funding for the Cullompton Relief Road. The road from Nibby's Cross to Colley Down is due for repair. A new four-year plan, to shape the work of MDDC has been launched. The Mid Devon Corporate Plan has been drawn up following input from councillors, officers and members of the public, who took part in the council's annual residents' survey. *Cllr. Andrea Glover had provided a written report which was circulated to all following the meeting.*

**c)** P3 Footpaths, Parish Paths & Silver Wood: The P3 coordinator reported that the series of summer walks were a success. The final walk had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Ideas for future walks were discussed with the possibility of a winter walk.

**d)** The Chairman: None.

**e)** Any other reports: None.

**127/09/24. Finance.**

a) Report & to note the balances: A report was given and balances were noted. Direct Debits taken: Nest £80.74 on 23/08, EDF £28 on 12/08, Utility Warehouse £44.05 on 30/08. Transfer to notice account - £10,000 on 23/08.

b) Payments were approved:

-Chq 2199		Spoilt cheque
-Chq 2200	£ 901.84	Clerk – salary and expenses.
-Chq 2201	£ 9.97	SMA Services. Payroll provider.
-Chq 2202	£ 193.96	Society of Local Council Clerks. Literature/publications.
-Chq 2203	£ 900.00	Kentisbeare Cricket Club. Grant.
-Chq 2204	£ 900.00	Kentisbeare Football Club. Grant.
-Chq 2205	£ 36.00	DALC. Clerk webinar attendance.
-Chq 2206	£ 44.00	Kentisbeare Village Hall. Hall hire.
-Chq 2207	£ 266.18	M L Thorne. Website and e-newsletter.
-Chq 2208	£ 365.60	Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd. Grass maintenance contract.

c) To consider grant funding the monthly Chill & Chat Coffee Morning as held in Kentisbeare Village Hall – following an update from the organiser and a request for a donation to enable the charge to be kept to a minimum, it was agreed that the coffee morning is of great benefit and very successful. The Parish Council will fund the hall hire until the end of the financial year and discuss funding for 2025/26 at the precept meeting. Funds will come from reserve.

d) Laptop for History Project: Deferred.

e) EDF Energy Contract: It was agreed for automatic renewal regarding the contract for energy at the play park.

f) Any other financial matters: None.

**128/09/24. Kentisbeare Play Area.**

a) Update on cycle track: The Clerk reported that the monthly inspection fee will increase by £50 once the pump track has been completed which is the standard cost agreed by MDCC.

b) Public Space Protection Order - Mid Devon District Council (for information): Details circulated to all; no planned changes, dogs to be excluded from the play area. No response is necessary if the Parish Council is not opposing the Order. The Mid Devon (Public Spaces Protection) (Dog Control) Order 2021 will renew for 3 years starting 07/10/24.

c) Any other matters: Some minor necessary maintenance is required following the monthly inspection; the Clerk has been liaising with the contractor and will meet on site to arrange works ASAP – costs to be agreed. Cllr. Kent and the Clerk will meet on site to look at some improvements. Various quotations are awaited for maintenance such as painting.

**129/09/24. To discuss the possibility of entering Britain In Bloom:** Deferred.

**130/09/24. Devon Communities Together – Devon Community Resilience Forum:** The Clerk will endeavour to attend together with an event in November.

**131/09/24. Devon Association of Local Councils AGM & Conference:** Clerk to attend. *Clerk to complete form of proxy in case of non-attendance.*

**132/09/24. Correspondence & Any Consultations.** Correspondence: Various generic emails.

**133/09/24. Items for information, future agenda items, and dates of future meetings.** Meeting dates – 01/10, 14/11 and 10/12.