

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 8th May 2008 at 7.30.pm. at the Parlour, King's Cliffe Memorial Hall.

08/001 Present : Chairman A. Howard, Councillors M. Day, L. Crane, C. Williams, B. Howard and N. Ford

08/002 Apologies for Absence : Councillors B., Wyles, P. Lang-Norris, J. Dixon

08/003 Declarations of Interest : None

08/004 Election of Chairman

The Clerk asked for nominations for the position of Chairman. Councillor M. Day proposed Councillor A. Howard. There were no other proposals

Proposed : Councillor M. Day Seconded : Councillor N. Ford

08/005 Election of Vice Chairman

The Chairman asked for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman. Councillor N. Ford proposed Councillor M. Day. There were no other proposals

Proposed : Councillor N. Ford Seconded : Councillor A. Howard

08/006 Formation of Sub-Committees

The Burial Board Sub-committee remains unchanged

08/007 Appointment of Wardens

Tree Warden : Councillor J. Dixon

Footpaths & Pocket Parks Warden : Mr. C. Smith

08/008 Nominations to Other Bodies (if required)

No nominations were required, but it was noted that although Mr. W. Court has retired from the Memorial Hall committee, he will remain as Parish Council representative. There were discussions as to why there are no longer requests from the Endowed School for a PC representative. This will be investigated.

08/009 Dates of Meetings for the Coming Year

Dates of meetings for the coming year were approved and list given to each Councillor.

08/010 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th April 2008 : Approved

Proposed : Councillor M. Day Seconded : Councillor C. Williams

08/011 Matters Arising

It was noted that some of the overgrown hedges along the Stamford Road have been trimmed back. The Clerk was requested to enquire when the first cut of verges was due to happen. (The first cut was made the day after this meeting).

08/012 Clerks Report

All burial records and grave spaces are now on (a very large) database; it has been a fascinating albeit very time consuming task. Anyone wishing for a copy is welcome and is anyone who wishes to enquire about the whereabouts of a family plot should contact me. There are a number of grave spaces purchased many years ago by families no longer living in the area. These plots are valid for 60 years from date of purchase or 60 from the last interment in the plot.

The Clerk had a meeting with Ruth Douglas, NCC Pocket Parks co-ordinator about the adder fencing which has been erected in the Willow Walk. Ms. Douglas said that Willow Walk has been selected for more attention to keep the very precious adder population safe. The fence has been erected because of the access area to the proposed Sports Project. The community should be aware that there is a large adder colony and take great care of dogs and children during the summer months.

08/013 Accounts Payable : Approved

Curators Salary (Current month)	£ 140.00
Clerks Salary (Current month)	£ 200.00
E-on : Lighting charge ¼ to April 08	£ 560.87
Resource at Kings Cliffe : Room Hire for Youth Club	£ 180.00
D. Burdett : Clearing of spoil in cemetery	£ 310.00
BT : Phone charges ¼ to April	£ 73.44
Kings Cliffe Memorial Hall : Room Hire : 5/07 – 03/08	£ 110.00
Smith Hetherington : grass cutting churchyard etc.	£ 205.00

The first half yearly payment of the precept - £7,500 - was received on 25/04/08

Proposed : Councillor M. Day

Seconded : Councillor N. Ford

08/014 Planning

Applications:-

3 Church Walk : First Floor extension :EN/08/00673/FUL : No objection

Granted by ENC : Noted

Hall Farm : Internal & external repairs, various : EN/08/00115/FUL

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Endowed School : Internal & external repairs, various : EMP 2815/271/13 (granted by Secretary of State)

Withdrawn : Noted

54 West Street : Part demolition of wall/vehicular access & new garage :
EN/07/00865/LBC/864/FUL

08/015 Vacancy for a Parish Councillor

This will be decided at the next meeting when all applications have been received.

08/016 Purchase of land for cemetery

The borrowing approval for this land has been renewed by the Secretary of State and the necessary paperwork is being prepared.

08/017 Burial Board

There has been no meeting of the Burial Board. Approval for a headstone application was granted by the PC.

08/018 Correspondence Received : Various correspondences were read or circulated.

08/019 Any Other Business

Councillor B. Howard reported instances of fly-tipping in the Hornstocks. ENC have cleared the area around the trailer in the Bomb Dump gateway, but are not authorised to empty the trailer. He also asked the Clerk to find out if any top dressing will be carried out this year by the new Highways Contractors.

Councillor N. Ford asked if the problems with a hedge in Wood Lane could be addressed. Councillor M. Day will deal with this.

Councillor C. Williams reported dog mess in Forest Approach and Church Walk. The Dog Warden will be asked to visit the areas.

Councillor L. Crane reported overloaded vehicles in Wood Lane carrying slurry had spilled part of their loads causing an odour nuisance. This will be investigated.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.10.pm. The next meeting will be on 12th June.

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