

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of Kenn Parish Council meeting 7 March 2018, held in the Village Hall, Kenn Street, Kenn.

Meeting commenced at 19:30 and concluded at 20.15

PRESENT: Cllrs S Brain (Vice Chairman), W Bessant, J-P Humberstone, C Quinn, H Staples, R Treble
Clerk; Eleanor Wade

Present: North Somerset Council (NSC) Cllr J Iles

Apologies: NSC Cllr J Hadley & M Lenny Liaison Officer

19:30 **INFORMAL BUSINESS Public Participation** 4 residents attended

- 1) Speed Sign – suggestion that it is located at more than one site in the village to have a greater effect.
- 2) Parking on the pavement – expressed concern that cars were parked on this area and forcing people to walk on the road. There was a suggestion that the residents along the stretch of pavement should be advised not to park on it. However, it was observed it was not always the residents who parked on this area.
- 3) NSC Councillor Jill Iles report:
 - B3133 verge clearance – the NSC Councillor was still following this up with the Area Officer.
 - Mill Farmhouse & St Modwen's – still no progress on these applications.
- 4) North Somerset Times Newspapers
These would now be put in the Church Porch for collecting by residents (not in the local pub as before).

19:40 **FORMAL BUSINESS**

18/23 Apologies for absence Cllr S Naish (Chairman) family commitment.

18/24 Declarations of interest none

18/25 Minutes of the Council meeting held on 8 January 2018:

Resolved: The minutes were approved as a correct record and were signed as such.

18/26 Chairman's Communications – none.

18/27 Footpaths Repairs. **Noted** the following

- Public Participation at the last meeting – The bridge near White House Farm has been repaired and signage issues addressed.
- 18/22 – The Area Officer had arranged the repairs by the bus shelter. The Clerk had thanked him.

18/28 Broadband (min 18/05) **Noted** the following:

- Gigaclear Survey – some progress reported.
- British Telecom – part funding had been followed up, but it was not yet clear how much of the area would be covered or what it would cost.
- True Clear – local initiative currently being progressed in the Chew Valley area.

18/29 Highways, verges and hedges (min 18/06)

- Kenmoor Road large trees overgrowing the highway – Cllr Treble reported two trees were leaning over the road. He could arrange for these to be trimmed back and suggested some of the earmarked reserves be allocated to cover the cost. He anticipated this would be about £100

Proposed by Cllr Staples, Seconded by Cllr Bessant:

Resolved: To approach the Area Officer and ask if this proposal was acceptable on a highway. To set aside £100 from the earmarked reserves should it be needed.

The Clerk advised that in future no item of expenditure should be raised in the meeting that had not been placed on the agenda. The reason for this was to enable people to give some thought to it before attending.

- Footpath on the motorway bridge. The Area Officer reported this work had been carried out. **Noted**
- Large trees overgrowing the highway – See (3) of public participation above. **Noted**

18/30 Speeding Issues (min 18/07)

- Vehicle Activated Speed Sign – research the possibility of other locations on Kenn Street to install the mobile sign, so drivers don't become complacent about their vehicle speed on sections of this road.
- Junction of Kenn Rd/Kenn St – it was recalled 30 mph road markings had been suggested. **Follow up.**

18/31 General Data Protection Regulations (min 18/08)

The Clerk reported she would read the new GDPR Toolkit provided by NALC and report to a future meeting. **Noted**, await more information.

18/32 **Fracking / Shale Gas Extraction** (min 18/14)
Cllr Humberstone reported he had attended a meeting in Kingston Seymour during which it had appeared the possibility was that it could happen in this area. Kingston Seymour proposed to have a further meeting to which an invitation to attend would be sent to Kenn. **Noted.**

18/33 **Barns Ground Pond** (min 18/21)
Advice was given that the Internal Drainage Board (IDB) had been advised to investigate this, however, no further information had been received. **Follow this up** with the IDB and request a reply.
It was noted that the fence was also falling over and needed repairing.

Planning Items

18/34 **St Modwen Outline Application**

The Clerk reported she had enquired of the Planning Officer what the current situation was and had received this reply:

The application is currently in abeyance pending the outcome of the 'Site Allocation Plan' (SAP). Specifically, a final report from the Planning Inspectorate into the SAP is expected imminently and this should reveal whether, or not, the Council is:

1) able to demonstrate it has sufficient housing land without needing this site, and

2) whether it has proven there is a strong case to keep an employment allocation on this land.

Both of these matters will influence whether there is an 'in-principle' objection to the application. There are also a number of technical matters to pick-up and these will also be finalised when the SAP report is issued.

Cllr Humberstone had read the SAP and was of the opinion that this may alter the situation in the favour of the developer.

Planning Applications

18/35 18/P/2176//FUL – 6 Kenn Estate, Kenn Road, BS21 6TS Two Storey side and rear extension

Resolved: No objections to the application

Just an observation relating to the garage conversion into a granny annex. It is noted this is listed in the site history however the Parish Council recalled that the annex has a condition relating to the lifetime of the current resident. Therefore if the new extension is used for the purpose of care of that person - what is the impact on the earlier permission.

18/36 **Planning Decision – Noted.** (Details are on the NSC's web site planning pages.)

17/P/5106/FUL and 17/P/5530/LBC Manor Farm Kennmoor Rd, Kenn

17/P/5298/FUL Edwards Ltd Kenn Business Park

18/37 **Completed Plans** – details provided of: (1) Claverham Neighbourhood (2) NSC Site Allocation (3) NS & Mendip Bats Special Area of Conservation. **Noted.**

18/38 **Town & Parish Forum** – date, time and agenda item information provided for those wishing to attend.

18/39 **Keep Britain Tidy** – information provided on how to register to take part.

Finance Items

18/40 **Payment of Accounts & Budget Control** Members reviewed details in the Clerk's report.

Resolved: To approve the accounts for payment as detailed.

18/41 **Snow Clearance**

Agreed to thank the resident who had made efforts with a homemade snow plough to keep the village accessible during the recent fall of deep snow.

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

Signed by the Chairman

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