

Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council

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The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 24th September 2019 in the studio of Kibworth Grammar School Hall at 7.00pm

Those attending were Cllrs Steve Woodhouse, Caroline Pitcher, Andrew Munro, Barbara Strevens, Pat Copson, Simon Whelband, Zoe Macefield and Mark Newcombe.

Nine members of the public attended including County Cllr Dr Kevin Feltham and District Cllr Robin Hollick

The elected Chairman, Cllr Woodhouse opened the meeting.

19/033 Public Participation.

Several local residents, including the current owner of the property spoke concerning the agenda item 19/040 in respect of the planning application 19/01366/FUL.

Michael Preston, the managing Director of Fleckney Events was scheduled to attend but sent his apologies.

19/034 Procedural Items

- (i) Apologies of absence were received from Cllr Roger Garrett and Cllr Ian Harrison.
- (ii) Cllr Strevens declared a pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 19/040 in respect of planning application 19/01474/PDN
- (iii) It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27th August 2019.

19/035 Christmas Event, 4 December 2019

It was resolved to approve the cost of around £1000 for the event to be organised by Michael Preston. The clerk will order the Christmas trees and contact the Rotary Club to request their assistance in putting up the trees and the lights on the roundabout. Additionally, the clerk will contact the Scouts to help with the checking of the lights and replacing batteries as necessary.

19/036 Village Centre CCTV

It was resolved to approve the cost and installation of village centre CCTV based on proposals by Harborough District Council, Ace Fire & Security and associated Fibre Optic Broadband costs. It was resolved to set up a 'working group' to assist the clerk with the project. Cllrs. Mark Newcombe and Andrew Munro volunteered to be part of the group along with the Clerk.

19/037 Footpath on side of Hunny Hive Nursery, Smeeton Road

The footpath issue is being further investigated by HDC.

Leicestershire County Council

County Councillor Dr. Kevin Feltham reported on the following items:

18/01260 – Manor Oak Homes – 400 houses- County Councillor Dr. Kevin Feltham has registered to speak at planning committee on 1st October as both chairman of KHPC but also County Councillor. The main concern relates to lack of any proposals by developer to accommodate the expected 600+ commuter vehicles from the new estate crossing the railway line over a single track, traffic light-controlled bridge. Concerns are that by the time the estate is fully occupied, the congestion on local road and A6, plus effect on air quality would be severe.

19/01388 – Bruntingthorpe Proving Ground - LCC Highways and HDC are unhappy with the lack junction capacity, volume (numbers) and timing for any transporters coming across to A6 via Warwick Road. This probably means a delay in it going to planning because the developer needs to provide the additional evidence.

19/01366 – 17 High Street - LCC Highways are not satisfied that three parking places can be provided despite this claim in application papers. Also, Highways have specified the need of a 'turning point' to avoid any reversing onto High Street.

The Community Governance Review gives both parishes the opportunity to review the situation of Longbreach Road/Bush Road on the Kibworth Meadows estate which are currently within Kibworth Beauchamp parish boundary but all have Kibworth Harcourt postcodes. At the last review 7 years ago, the whole of Dairy Way was moved to be within Kibworth Harcourt parish boundary. This new review means we can re-assess the anomaly of these two roads on the estate which hadn't been built at the last Governance Review.

Harborough District Council

Cllr Simon Whelband reported that he will be speaking against the Manor Oaks application at the Planning Committee meeting on 1st October. He will be speaking against this in his capacity as a District Councillor for the Kibworths Ward.

At the previous evening's Harborough DC Full Council meeting, it was agreed to a Community Governance Review which would be reviewing Parish Councils and Parish Meetings within the District. There will be a chance for public participation/Parish Council engagement in this process. More information will follow. The last review was 2012.

Harborough DC has issued warnings against developers in Kibworth after residents' reports that David Wilson Homes and Miller Homes had worked outside approved working hours. The District Council has spoken to both developers about the non-compliance. Further non-compliance will lead the Council to serve enforcement notices.

In the future, Cllr Whelband will abstain from making any planning comments through the Parish Council. Any planning comment he will make as District Councillor, not as a Parish Councillor. This will avoid any potential conflict of interest going forward.

Joint Recreation Committee

Cllr Pat Copson reported that Sharon Sanderson has resigned as clerk from both the Joint Recreation and Joint Burial Committees. She will continue until the end of October. The Committees are currently working on a plan to resolve this issue in both the interim and long term, including the possibility of having a groundsman to deal with maintenance/emergencies of the recreation grounds.

Cllr Copson also advise of a recent spate of vandalism in the play parks and a report will be made to the Community Police Officer. The nuts had been removed from the swings but these have now been replaced.

The Woodland Trust have donated 420 saplings and it is hoped to encourage volunteers along with pupils of the Primary School to help plant these during November, subject to the necessary insurance policy being put in place. The tree survey has also been brought forward as there are a number of dead trees/fallen branches on the recreation grounds. The Rotary Club have offered to supply new trees and assist with the plantation of these.

Results from the recent teenagers' survey have now started to be collated and the installation of a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) on the site of the old skate park is looking favourable. However, a replacement skateboard Park is still also high on the results but there has been no communication from the Skateboard group despite attempts to contact them.

Joint Burial Committee

No report was available as Cllr Harrison was absent from the meeting.

Grammar School Hall

Cllr. Newcome advised that the next committee meeting would be held on 25 September and a report will therefore be submitted at the next Parish Council meeting.

19/039

Finance Report

- (i) It was resolved to authorise payments due including KJRC payments.
- (ii) It was resolved to approve the Clerk's financial statement and bank reconciliation.

It was resolved to approve the purchase of a new laptop for the clerk to use at a cost of around £600-£700 to include associated software

It was resolved to switch to online banking once all the new mandates are in place with HSBC.

19/040

Planning Applications

18/01260 – Manor Oak Homes, Warwick Road, 400 dwellings.

It was resolved that the Parish Council will oppose this. Cllr Steve Woodhouse agreed to talk outlining the objections at the forthcoming Planning meeting on the 1st October.

19/01114 - Demolition of existing dwelling, erection of a replacement dwelling and a new dwelling, 6A Fleckney Road- This application has now been withdrawn

19/01191/FUL & 19/01218/ADV - Erection of two awnings, a hanging sign and change of window, The Well, 45 High Street, Kibworth Beauchamp. It was resolved to approve this application.

19/01388/VAC- Variation of Condition 1 (transport movement) of 98/00130/FUL to include operational plan for transport movement, Bruntingthorpe Proving Ground. It was resolved to make comments as follows: *More information is required outlining the actual anticipated volume of traffic and the timings of the movement of traffic through the village. There are concerns that there will be too much pollution caused by the vehicles. Furthermore, are there any restrictions on the weight and number of vehicles per hour that can cross the Railway bridge on Warwick Road and will these be adhered to.*

19/01366/FUL - Change of use from a dwelling (class C3) to offices (class B1), 17 High Street. It was resolved to oppose this application and the following comments submitted: *It is understood that there may not be space for three parking spaces plus a turning circle. Unless this is confirmed otherwise, Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council oppose this application.*

19/01409/TCA - Works to trees, 8 Station Hollow. It was resolved to approve this application.

19/01474/PDN - Notification for prior approval for a change of use from shop (A1) to restaurant/cafe (A3), 32 High Street, Kibworth Beauchamp. It was resolved to oppose this application and the following comments submitted: *Due to the lack of information as to what type of establishment this will be, Kibworth Beauchamp Parish Council oppose this application.*

19/041

Kibworth Neighbourhood Plan

County Cllr Dr. Kevin Feltham advised that a meeting had taken place on the 19th September. It was resolved that Gary Kirk (YourLocale) would be the facilitator and make a claim for the £9000 grant for doing the review. Cllr Simon Whelband is unable to Chair the group due to conflicts of interests in his role as a district councillor. It was resolved therefore that Cllr Steve Woodhouse would chair the group with Cllrs Mark Newcombe and Pat Copson from KBPC, together with County Cllr Dr Kevin Feltham and Cllr Sian Newnes from KHPC. Other residents may be invited to join the group once it is up and running. The timescale for the project is anticipated at around 6 months. It was resolved to appoint Maria Smith as the clerk to the project.

19/042

Joint Parish Council Environmental and Sustainability Policy

An update has been posted on the KHPC website and will be put in the Kibworth Chronicle.

19/043

Office in Kibworth Grammar School

Now that this office has been recently vacated, It was proposed to trial the use of this office for a period of 6 months. Cllr Newcome will put forward this proposal at the forthcoming Grammar School Meeting.

19/044

HDC Built Sports Facilities Strategy including Village and Community Halls

It was resolved to submit the following comment: *At the Parish Council meeting of 24th September 2019, it was noted that facilities at The Kibworth School have been omitted from the report.*

19/045

Ongoing plans, policies and topics for future meeting

Autism-friendly village project. The Clerk gave an update of events that are happening in the next few weeks: An Autism Awareness Morning to be held at The Well Café on 28th September and an 'Autism Trail' which is already in place on the High Street.

Members noted the following plans with no further comment:
Kibworth Community Library lease transfer.
Fleckney Road new community facility.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 8.35 PM

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This document was signed by the Chairman at the meeting on 22 October 2019. The signed copy is available for inspection on the Parish Council Notice Board or by contacting the Clerk

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(DATE)

