

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on Thursday 21st February 2002 at the Kings Cliffe Community Centre

PRESENT: Cllrs. I Hetherington (Chairman), A Urquart, L Crane, W Court, J Dixon, N Ford, A Howard, B Howard, A Hill, D Sharpe, R Wyles

APOLOGIES RECEIVED: H.Blunt (Parish Clerk)

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON: 13th December 2001 & 17th January 2002

MATTERS ARISING

TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENTS DURING TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF THE CLERK

It was agreed that Councillors would share the Clerk's responsibilities in her absence and that the Chairman would convey the Council's best wishes for a speedy recovery.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

- Clerk February salary	- £166.66
- Curator February salary	- £129.20
- Wilfred Court January expenses	- £ 8.82
- ABB lighting repairs (Bridge St)	-£ 20.79
- BT parish telephone	-£ 37.52
- ABA membership fee	- £65.00

PLANNING

Applications

- Application - Leedsgate Poultry Station, Wansford Road - Temporary use of buildings for storage of fridges and freezers – **No objection was to be raised**

Permissions granted

- Permission granted (conditions) – Rockingham Motor Speedway
- 23 West Street – Conversion of barn
- 29 to 35 Bridge Street – creation of a disabled access
- 63 Park Street – Two storey extension
- 17 West Street - Extension

The above permissions were noted

LICENSING

- Kings Cliffe Community Centre – Application for a Community Premises Licence– **No objection was to be raised**

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (model code of conduct) ORDER

The Draft Statutory Code of Conduct together with the form for Councillors to declare any personal interests had been circulated prior to the meeting. A wide-ranging debate followed

and serious concerns were expressed over the heavy handed and intrusive nature of the regulations. The Chairman was requested to ascertain what was the official response of the NALC. It was agreed that the matter would be brought forward at the March meeting. It was also acknowledged that the regulations required Councils to adopt a revised Code of Conduct that complied with the regulations before 5th May 2002

Proposed Drainage Works – Wood Road & Forest Approach

Plans for the new drain to be constructed to manage surface water from North of Wood Road were welcomed although concern was expressed that the capacity of the drain would not be sufficient to cope with run off from KCI and associated developments

Proposal for locating local needs housing in Kings Cliffe

Councilors were united in supporting the planned development of Local Needs Housing on the ENC owned land enclosed behind Fineshade Close. It was also agreed that the Council should vigorously resist proposals to channel additional traffic through Fineshade Close, which remains unadopted at the North Eastern extremity

Every effort should be made to reiterate the Council's view that ENC should acquire access rights over the originally planned entrance to KC1 from Wood Lane

County Highways Budget

The Council expressed its support for those opposing NCC budget cuts for rural roads maintenance

Extension of Bridge Street speed limit

It was agreed that the Council should support the County Council proposals to move the speed limit further out of the village.

Concessionary fares scheme

Proposals for coordinating the scheme for 2002/2003: Councillor D Sharpe agreed to administer the scheme locally

OTHER CORRESPONDENCE

A request had been received for a contribution to the core costs of the Northamptonshire Citizens Advice Bureau. It was decided that no contribution should be made as few Kings Cliffe residents used the Oundle centre

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business

NEXT MEETING: Will be held on 28th March at 7.30 in the Community Centre

