

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Kings Cliffe Parish Council held at the Memorial Hall on Thursday 20th January 2005

04/110 Present : Chairman M. Day, K. Howard, L. Crane, D. Sharpe, N. Ford, B. Wright and B. Wyles and J. Dixon

Apologies : Councillors T. Isaac and A. Howard.

04/111 Declarations of Interest : None

04/112 Minutes : Minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2004 were read and approved.

Proposed: Councillor B. Wright Seconded: Councillor L.Crane

04/113 Matters arising:

- i) Wansford Road fencing; this is awaiting collection and fixing
- ii) Hills and Holes Pit : The Chairman has spoken to Howard Farms regarding this matter, which will be discussed at the next meeting
- iii) The Highways Agency has acknowledged the request for the re-instatement of the old footpath to Apethorpe and will consider this if funds are available.

There is no Clerks Report for this meeting

04/114 Accounts

The following accounts were approved for payment:-

Curators Salary (current month)	£ 135.80
Clerk Salary (current month)	£ 187.50
ABB Ltd. Lighting Repairs	£ 421.01
Powergen (electricity charges 6 months)	£ 805.05
ABBA (annual subscription)	£ 78.00

Proposed : Councillor B. Wyles Seconded : Councillor N. Ford

04/115 Planning

Applications:

Conservatory : 76 Park Street : EN/04/02541/LBC and FUL : No objections

Greenhouse : 104 West Street : EN/04/02389/FUL: No objections

Erection of house and new access : 33 Wood Road : EN/04/02561/REM

The Parish Council considers that the roof material for this house should be artificial Collyweston tiles to integrate with adjacent dwellings; that the whole building should be constructed in stone, not render, as marked on some areas; paintwork colour was not specified but this should be painted wood, white or cream

Rear extension and raised roof : 24 Willow Lane : EN/05/00035/FUL: No objections

Removal of outhouse /replace with conservatory : 104 West Street EN/05/00059/FUL

A comment was sent saying that as this is in the conservation area, the conservatory should be constructed in wood and not aluminium as specified in the plans.

Granted : Noted

Single storey extension : 12 West Street : EN/04/0122/LBC

Single storey extension : 6 Park Close : EN/04/02106/FUL

Refused : Noted

Erection of three terraced dwellings : 79 – 81 West Street : EN/04/01580/FUL

04/116 Draft Rural Strategy

Four copies of the above were given to Councillors; comments on this are required in February; the Chairman asked Councillors to study this and let the Clerk have their comments. It was suggested that a survey of housing needs should again be carried out; as so few houses are available it was felt that parishioners may feel it is pointless to apply for housing.

04/117 Disaster Committee Meeting : 14th December 2004

The Chairman reported that an excellent presentation was made by NCC and ENC representatives, but this Public meeting was badly attended; notably the persons who had insisted this meeting and formation of a committee were of paramount importance. As there was so little enthusiasm and to date very few people offering their services, the Parish Council Emergency Plan provided by ENC will be gradually completed and kept on record, but no committee will be formed at present due to lack of interest.

04/118 Sub-Committee Reports

Burial Board

A Meeting of the Burial Board held on 4th January 2005 : Present were Cllr. Daphne Sharpe (chairman), Cllr Jenny Dixon, Tony Peacey, Wilfred Court : Apologies : Norman Embleton.

Churchyard railings. Charles Atkinson has completed the renovation work.

Bridge Street Cemetery

Main drive : A quotation for the repair of the drive and for a kerb edging to be installed along the footpath to the shed will be obtained from PGR Construction.

Grave spaces : WC requested assistance in establishing and clarifying the line-up of the remaining grave spaces. TP volunteered to help with the measuring.

An increase in salary for the curator was suggested. The Parish Council will be asked to approve the agreed amount.

Memorials.

David Harman Brown (plot 238). WC will request reinstatement of the surface dressing.

Edith Giddings. The approval for the inscription has been given by the Parish Council chairman, Michael Day. The matter had been outstanding for some time and he felt the delay was unreasonable. The stone has been re-erected.

Churchyard

Broken headstones. The stonemasons have delayed the work.

Headstones to be reset. Colin Smith will be requested to do this work. Action DS.
Grass cutting. Colin Smith will be asked to quote for the renewal of his contract.

Church Walk Cemetery

Churchyard retaining wall. No quotations have been received yet.
Fencing. JD will obtain a quotation.
Next Burial Board meeting will be on Tuesday 1st February 2005

These minutes were discussed and agreed. A salary increase for the Curator was agreed. The Committee chairman will write to PGR, accepting their quotation for re-instating the driveway to the Bridge Street cemetery.

Children's Play Area

A letter has been received from ENC refusing to allow the land selected in Wood Lane to be used; however they have offered to assist in finding an alternative site. This decision was met with disbelief from the PC as this land was originally designated as building land by ENC and there are very few if any other sites to be considered.

Neighbourhood Watch

NW Chairman B. Wright reported that a very successful meeting had been held on 10th January. The new area co-coordinator David Robbins gave a positive presentation. A new computer system "Ringmaster" is in place, to record crimes and report crimes and suspicious behaviour to the coordinators. The organisers and attending public were disappointed that no police attended, despite being invited. PC Mark Hillyer-Smith sent his apologies. A meeting of co-coordinators will be held on 24th January to discuss future plans. There are still three zones in the village without co-coordinators, but the existing zones are working well.

04/119 Correspondence received

The Chairman will speak to the K-Club regarding an e-mail received and this will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

The Clerk will write to Highways again with regard to the lack of warning signs on the Stamford Road.

The Environment Agency correspondence regarding Flooding will be on the next agenda.

Highways have informed the PC that Wansford road will be closed for a period of up to three weeks during February for repairs; it will be necessary for drivers to use the Stamford Road/A47 to travel to Peterborough and beyond.

Other correspondences were noted or circulated.

04/120 Any Other Business

The Chairman apologized for there being no having an agenda item for the Landfill Liaison Group meeting held in January, but the meeting went well. Wastego has been taken over by Augean; two

representatives attended the meeting which was very productive. The issues of road signs and mud will continue to be pursued by the Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45.pm.

The next meeting will be held on 10th February 2005.