

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 11th March 2010 at 7.30.pm. at the Parlour, King's Cliffe Memorial Hall.

09/160 Present : Chairman A. Howard, Vice-Chairman M. Wharton, Councillors M. Day, L. Crane, G. Kingston, K. Howard and C. Williams

09/161 Apologies : Councillors B. Howard, B. Wyles, P. Lang Norris and J. Dixon

09/162 Declarations of Interest : None

09/163 Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th February 2010 : Approved

Proposed : Councillor L. Crane Seconded : Councillor K. Howard

09/164 Matters arising

The ivy has been removed and hedges trimmed by the Railway Bridge and many have commented the good job Highways has done.

Details of the Insurance Broker used by the Parish Council have been passed to KCASP. The Clerk has spoken directly to our Liability Insurer about adding the public liability for the Sports Field to the PC insurance but they advise that we cannot do this for a number of reasons.

09/165 Clerks report

The light at the top of Kings Forest has been repaired; this was an electrical fault and had to be repaired by Central Networks.

The plaque for the tree in Hall Yard commemorating the late Mrs. Lattimore has been reported missing. If anyone knows where this is, please contact the Clerk. We will then arrange for it to be re positioned

Colin Smith has sent his tender for grasscutting this year. This has been passed to Michael Day for Burial Board for approval.

It is noted that one part of the Rectory wall at the Horsewater has been repaired, but vandals have made a further hole

09/166 Accounts payable : Approved

Curators Salary (current month)	£ 150.00
Clerks Salary (current month)	£ 200.00
Anglian Water : ½ year :Charges for cemetery	£ 29.82
E-on : Quarterly lighting charges ¼ to March	£ 371.04
Richard Brown : Hedge trimming in cemetery	£ 168.00

Proposed : Councillor L. Crane Seconded : Councillor C. Williams

09/167 Planning

Applications : None to date

Granted by ENC

9 Wood Road : Two storey extension

09/168 Landfill submissions

The Chairman and Councillor Crane attended the WasteWatchers meeting at the Community Centre, which attracted a large audience. NCC will make their decision on 16th March and Chairman A. Howard has registered to speak on behalf of the PC. Corby Council is asking for the decision to be postponed. There was concern about the Environment Agency draft decision not to object, as there would appear to be no arrangements for independent monitoring by them of the site. These matters were debated at length by the meeting and the decision by NCC will be publicised as soon as their decision is made.

09/169 Memorial Hall : PC Representatives

Councillor C. Williams will continue as a trustee. There was also a debate as to whether we are able to appoint one or two trustees, it was agreed that the Clerk would clarify this and if there was a second vacancy Vice-Chairman M. Wharton volunteered her services

09/170 Highways : Works update

The Clerk will ask Highways for a time scale on the erecting of a Give Way sign at Station Road/Park Street. The request for one from Kingsmead to Wood Road has been refused by ENC – but this will be pursued as the Council feel this will be very important when the Sports Project is in full swing and there is a higher volume of traffic. A formal request will be sent to ENC emphasising this point.

09/171 Request by Garden Show to use Maltings Green : Approved

09/172 Gazette Entry for April edition : Discussed and agreed

09/173 Burial Board

Cllr M Day, Chairman of the Burial Board gave an update following the recent Burial Board Meeting as follows:-

Churchyard : Leaning headstones in the Churchyard to be inspected,, the ten in the worst positions will be identified with a view to having them raised. Clerk look back to see who last did this work.

Rabbit Issues in Cemetery : We discussed in some details the issue of the rabbits in the Cemetery and it was agreed that we would look at humanely removing some of the rabbits; we will put details in the Parish Gazette, as it was felt there would be mixed views but we do need to take some action.

Cemetery Extension : Michael Day will meet with Richard Brown in the cemetery at an arranged time to sort this out. He will also contact Guy Adams concerning a ‘working’ entrance to the new plot

A memorial stone for Mr. John Mays Saxby was approved.

09/074 Neighbourhood Watch

The six-monthly Police crime report was discussed and there has been a rise in crime, albeit quite small. The Council would again ask residents to be vigilant and report anything suspicious, however trivial it may appear to the Police of 03000 111 222.

09/175 Other Correspondence Received : discussed or circulated.

09/176 Any Other Business

The Chairman told the meeting that the Clerk had ascertained that the conditions imposed in relation to the KC1 Site with the original sale are applicable for any new owner of the land.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.50.pm. The next meeting will be the Annual Public Meeting in the Memorial Hall at 7.30.pm. on 8th April 2010.