

KING'S CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday 13th January 2011 at 7.30pm. in the Memorial Hall parlour.

10/138 Present : Chairman A. Howard, Vice-Chairman M. Wharton, Councillors M. Day, G. Kingston, and C. Williams

10/139 Apologies for Absence : The Clerk, Councillors J. Dixon, L. Crane, K. Howard, B. Wyles and B. Howard

10/140 Declarations of Interest : None

10/141 Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th December 2010 : Approved

Proposed : Councillor M. Day

Seconded : Councillor C. Williams

10/142 Matters arising : None

10/143 Clerks report : None

10/144 Accounts payable : Approved

Curators Salary (current month)	£ 150.00
Clerks Salary (current month)	£ 200.00
Clerk Expenses : July – December	£ 78.37
Northants ACRE : Annual subscription	£ 34.00
E-on : Electric charges Oct – Dec 2010	£ 596.45

Proposed : Councillor M. Wharton

Seconded : Councillor G. Kingston

10/145 Planning

Applications

Agricultural Buildings : Wood Lane : EN/10/02140/PNA : Comments from ENC
This application will not require prior approval from ENC.

Granted by ENC : Noted

94 West Street : Replacement windows & doors : move gate : EN/10/01696/FUL

10/146 KCASP : Proposed changes to lease

The proposed change to the lease of the Sports land was discussed at length. The Deed of Variation appears to restrict the use of the area for the public and this was considered unacceptable, as this land was purchased for the unlimited use of the community. Regarding the legal charge, this appears to be acceptable to the Council.

However, the Chairman will discuss this in detail with SWEET and the lawyers involved.

It was unanimously agreed that we would not approve the variations at this stage

10/147 KC1 : Revised play area plans : reply to query

A letter confirming that the area beside the site entrance will not be the responsibility of the Parish Council was welcomed. There were no further comments.

10/148 Highways : Give Way & diversion to Corby signs

A letter from NCC outlining the works to be carried out was discussed. Currently, the diversion sign to Corby at the Station Road junction and the 'Give Way' sign works should be ongoing. A plan showing possible siting of a zebra crossing in Wood Road was discussed, but these were not practical to solving this issue. It was still felt the obvious place for a crossing is at the entrance to Coleman's Lane; the views of residents may be sought on this matter. Also the suggestions for traffic calming measures on Wood Road were discussed at length. Councillor M. Day felt that road narrowing between Royce's Lane and Kings Forest would be acceptable. Any chicanes or similar would need to be illuminated. This will be given further consideration.

10/149 Old Playground Committee : funds dispersal

This issue has not yet been resolved.

10/150 Resignation of Councillor Lang Norris : noted : no action to be taken until the local elections in May.

10/151 Resignation of Mr. Smith, Churchyard contractor

Mr. Smith has resigned due to ill health. It is hoped that Richard Brown the cemetery curator will undertake Mr. Smiths' work in the Churchyard and Pocket Parks.

10/152 Cornforth Homes Trustees

The Cornforth Trust will be asked to approach their members regarding the need for two members to represent the Parish Council as they already have sufficient Trustees.

10/153 E-on – Quotation for additional light in Wood Road

The quotation from E-on to provide an additional light is approximately £1,900, as a new electricity supply would have to be installed. The Chairman considers this area is no darker than anywhere else, and as this expenditure would take a significant amount from the annual precept, it was decided this is an unacceptable expense.

10/154 Walkers Field : Confirmation of adoption by NCC : noted

10/155 Gazette Entry for February edition

No entry as meeting is too late to meet the publishing deadline. Councillor Kingston suggests that there should be a notice regarding the May elections in the March edition, to encourage residents to stand as Parish Councillors. This was agreed.

10/156 Burial Board

A Memorial application was approved. Councillor M. Day will address the hedge cutting before the end of February.

10/157 Neighbourhood Watch : nothing to report

10/158 Other Correspondence Received : circulated or included in the agenda

10/159 Any Other Business

Chairman A. Howard reported on a meeting he had attended the previous evening with chairman from other local Parishes and both District and County Councillors relating to possible steps to be taken before the decision is announced on the appeal by Augean . This includes a possible local referendum.

Councillor B. Wyles had sent a comment that cars were permanently parked in the "Bus Stop" lay-by in Station Road, thus forcing buses to stop in the road and impede traffic.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10.pm. The next meeting will held in the Parlour at 7.30.pm. on Thursday 10th February.