



WALPOLE CROSS KEYS PARISH COUNCIL



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MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF WALPOLE CROSS KEYS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15TH OF JUNE 2021 FROM 7.30PM AT JEPSON HALL

PRESENT: Cllr Nick Dyble (ND) Chair), Cllr Trevor Roberts (TR), Cllr Hazel Dobson (HD)
Cllr G. Coates (GC), Cllr Rosie Dyble (RD), Cllr G Roberts (GR)
Cllr Sandra Squire (SS), Cllr Julian Kirk (JK) and Caroline Boyden (CB) Clerk.
No members of the public were in attendance.

Open Session for Parishioners Questions – none

1. **Welcome** – a formal welcome was given by the Chair, Cllr N Dyble.

2. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs. Brown and Day - accepted and approved by the council.

3. **COUNCILLORS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – none**

4. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Annual Council Meeting on 28th April 2021, to be signed at the next Annual Council Meeting

MATTERS ARISING:

a. **Flooding** – TR advised that the new drainage on Sutton Road diverts causing flooding on Low Road. The drain goes into the new ditch however it is covered at the end of the drain. Andy Wallace from Highways is getting the contractors back to extend the pipe back into the ditch.

Query raised regarding filled in ditch on Station Road North and who was responsible? Also, who owns the pipe under the road by the Nursery with drainage at the right hand side to the IDB drain?

JK advised that the IDB will now get involved if properties are at risk and they will get involved with any issues with ditch owners. JK will take this issue of ownership etc., on and arrange a site visit with the IDB. Cllr Kunes was organising a site visit to the issues with the drainage on Station Road North, but no update has been received. TR to forward all details of this to JK. CG advised that the Neighbourhood Plan needs to be adhered to.

ACTION TR/JK

b. **Waste Disposal and Fly Tipping** – ND advised that a discussion had taken place with the builder regarding the building rubble, and some has been cleared. ND to ask if the remainder will be cleared.

ACTION ND

c. **Market Lane update** – JK has taken this on and is awaiting a meeting with Highways. A final price is required, and SS suggested that a meeting with Walpole Cross Keys, Walpole and Highways should be set up asap. JK to arrange.

ACTION JK

d. **Highways visit** – ND met with Andy Wallace on the 13th of May and site visits were made – Station Road repairs outstanding from over 18 months ago, the state of the footpath along Sutton Road, and subsidence on Little Holme Road. The cost of the footpath repairs would be very high and take most of the whole budget, but key damaged areas would be scheduled. The extension of the 30mph limit should have been picked up by Planning at the start and the developer would have to pay and this will be looked into along with the tele pole in front of the road sign. ND to contact Andy Wallace for a follow up and Andy to be invited to a parish council meeting.

ACTION ND

e. Standing Orders – it was agreed to update these to include voting for an extension to a 2 hour meeting of no more than half an hour to complete business. Future meetings will start at 7.00pm.

5. PLANNING MATTERS

a. New applications -

Change of Use from B1 to B2 at West Holme Nursery. This latest update of the application relates to the agent forgetting to put the chimney on the plans which captures the used power and recycles. This update shows the chimney.

The concerns remain with the traffic situation and ND to make Andy Wallace aware of the situation.

ACTION ND

6. FINANCAL MATTERS

To accept accounts:

a. May 21 bank statements and bank reconciliation- acceptance proposed by RS, seconded by GR, and unanimously accepted. £31,520.54 in total.

b. Financial Review for May including payments/receipts- acceptance proposed by GR, seconded by HD, and unanimously accepted.

c. Payments for June – Clerk awaiting street lighting invoice and will send out upon receipt.

d. The CiL project was updated with a total of £9920.17 remaining.

7. COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORTS:

Cllr Sandra Squires reported as follows:

Cllr Kunes is a Cabinet member for the environment, but nothing has been received as yet regarding the site visit. Borough are only interested in tree planting in King's Lynn at present. The first Cabinet meeting had taken place with Cllr Dark in charge.

Covid rates have shown an increase and will be watched closely with the influx of visitors recently.

Cllr Kirk had sent out a brief report:

“On the 6th May 2021 I was elected as your County Councillor for the next four years. It’s an honour to serve you and I thank you for putting your trust in me.

My election campaign was based around supporting local business and the lack of law and order including anti-social behaviour and fly tipping.

Local businesses are the back bone of our community, I will do all I can to support these business both established and new.

Working with the authorities including the police I will make it my duty to make our community a safer and happier place for us to live.

I am joining a number of committees / panels at county hall, I have asked not to be on too many as I prefer to spend my time working for my constituents.

Those of you who know me through my Borough Council Wards will know I like to get involved with local groups, litter picking, shopping, and prescription collections etc. Please get in touch with me if I can help. I hope to write a monthly report.”

2 full council meetings have taken place at the Norfolk Showground with the Western Link Road under discussion.

8. Correspondence/Communications

a. 40mph speed limit on Sutton Road from the North, change to 30mph already discussed.

b. Parishioners concerns raised to Cllr Brown, regarding Bonnets Farm – Clerk to look into.

c. Litter Pick – these are now taking place again and JK will make some equipment available and also keen to attend a pick. Any picks would not be run or controlled by the Parish Council.

d. Local Plan review bought up the fact that Neighbourhood Plans should be reviewed after 5 years. Clerk to find out further information and it was suggested to contact Cllr R Blunt. ACTION CB

e. Queens Jubilee June 21 – to be added to next agenda.

f. Update on the state of the QE hospital discussed and Matt Hancock due to visit.

9. General Power of Competence

Councillors to read the information sent out by the Clerk earlier today and to be added to next agenda.

- 10. Update on SAM:** The SAM reports from 18th April to 15th of June, Opp old Cross Keys pub heading east and 1st May to 15th June, Sutton Road by Jepson Hall are on the website and the average speed for old Cross Keys put was 42mph with top speed of 75mph on the 1st of May at 05.50. The daily average vehicle count was 410. The average speed limit for Jepson Hall was 45mph with a top speed of 70mph on the 4th of May at 08.20.
ND to run a speeding report to support traffic police attendance. ACTION ND

11. CRIME AND POLICE – none

- 12. HIGHWAYS:** Discussed under 4d. Clerk had raised the Giant Hogweed and to check if any update available. GC raised the issue of Giant Hogweed on private land. ACTION CB

- 13. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES:** The burying of waste still outstanding and awaiting an update from Cllr Kunes. SS to raise this with Cllr Dark and JK requested all evidence from TR. ACTION SS/TR/JK

- 14. GARDENS MAINTENANCE:** The use of weedkiller is making the areas look dreadful and several complaints have been received. It was agreed that the Clerk will contact Mr. Blackamore and the offer to cut the lawn on the Millennium Garden by a parishioner proposed by ND, seconded GC and approved. Cost of petrol to be receipted for payment.

- 15. REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS –** GC advised of a zoom meeting on the 6th of May with 2 trustees present. No further monies will go into the fund, but the current amount could last 12 years. Moving some funds into a low-med risk interest account.

- 16. SPEEDWATCH UPDATE –** RD reported that there are now 5 approved sites and has 5 confirmed volunteers

17. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- Flooding update
- Market Lane update
- Jubilee June 21
- General Power of Competence
- Confirm no meetings in August

- 17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 20th July 2021 from 7.00pm at the Jepson Hall.**

The meeting closed at 9.42 pm