

Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh held on Wednesday 11TH May 2011 at Kimble Stewart Hall at 7pm

Prior to the start of the Parish Council Meeting time is allocated, subject to the sole discretion of the Chairman of the meeting, for statements or questions from members of the public.

1 **Declarations of acceptance of office**

Declarations of acceptance were signed by all Councillors present and witnessed by the Clerk.

2 **To appoint the Chairman until the next Annual Parish Council Meeting in May 2012**

Cllr Alun Jones nominated Cllr David Williams as Chairman and he was unanimously voted in.

3 **To appoint the Vice-Chairman until the next Annual Parish Council Meeting in May 2012**

Cllr Alun Jones nominated Cllr John Austin as Vice-Chairman and he was unanimously voted in.

4 **To appoint 3 members of the Planning Committee and a Chairman**

Councillor Alun Jones, Donna Johnson and John Austin were voted in as Planning Committee with Cllr John Austin acting as Chairman.

5 **Attendance and Apologies**

Attendees

Councillor David Williams (Chairman)

Julie Bunker - Clerk

Councillor John Austin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Alun Jones

Councillor Delia Burton

Councillor Donna Johnson

Apologies were tendered and accepted from

Councillor Julia Northway

Councillor Stuart Watson

6 **Declaration of interest in any item on this agenda by a member**

There were none

7 **Minutes**

To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9th March 2011 and any matters arising from those minutes not dealt with elsewhere on this agenda.

Cllr Williams reported that he had received a hand written letter from The Chairman of Wycombe District Council, Cllr Bendyshe-Brown following his visit to the Parish Council meeting last month. The letter was circulated. It was very complimentary about the way the Parish Council meeting was run and how Councillors worked well with each other.

To review and determine a course of action on the following subjects

8 **To review progress on the proposed Rural Housing Scheme within the Village**

Elizabeth Leyland from Hastoe responded to a request for an update on this scheme and reported that the second stage housing needs survey had been carried out and it confirmed that the need for housing was still at the same level as the initial survey so the number of units to be applied for would be 9. Hastoe expect to hear in July if the funding from Central Government has been approved to allow the scheme to move forward

9 **Planning Applications and appeals**

To review and confirm the responses made to Wycombe District Council by the planning committee. (Updated list sent prior to meeting)

The Council carefully reviewed planning applications and unanimously approved in favour on all responses.

- 10 **Report on any outstanding BCC highways matters** (including footways, footpaths, Vehicle Activated Signs and BCC Grass cutting.)
Requests had been received from residents and the many horse riders who use Marsh for the erection of Horse Warning signs through Marsh. The Clerk was asked for put a request into BCC for these and also to chase the removal of graffiti on the 30mph repeater sign in the village.
Walkers, ramblers and riders over the Bank Holiday weekends had observed that the view from the public bridleway near the Willows Caravan site has not been replanted with hedging as required when WDC planning permission was granted; the Clerk was asked to contact WDC regarding this.
- 11 **Update on HS2 project and how the Parish Council can keep the pressure up in opposing this scheme**
The Council discussed various meetings that had been attended and it was felt that everyone who objected must go to the DfT website and respond to the consultation. (<http://highspeedrail.dft.gov.uk/>) and also ask 6 family or friends who do not live along the route to write to their MP and fill in the consultation, as the tax burden will hit the whole country and not just those who live along the route.
- 12 **Brief initial review of the Energy Audit on Kimble Stewart Hall**
The Council discussed this report and felt it was comprehensive and positive one. Cllr Burton reported that the Kimble Stewart Hall Committee is planning to contact Robert Wallbank Associates, who carried out the structural survey, to help them formulate a plan for the refurbishments from both reports. The Council felt this was a good way forward and would like to be part of a joint working party with the hall committee. Councillor Burton was asked to report this back to the Hall Committee.
- 13 **Reports from Councillors and Parish Clerk on various matters**
To include any correspondence on the following matters:
a) Parish repairs/maintenance (non BCC matters)
None
b) Proposed TRO regarding the Byway Open to All Traffic
The Clerk had received a letter from the Planning Inspectorate stating that a hearing was being planned regarding this and possibly a new inquiry. The Council felt this was good news and the Clerk will liaise with Roger Howgate regarding this.
- 14 Any other business and items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the council on Wednesday 8th June 2011 at **7pm** at Kimble Stewart Hall

**Councillors please remember that any requests for amendments to the agenda must be made to the Clerk
THREE clear working days before the meeting**

N.B. - Councillors

The Clerk must be notified at least 3 working days before the next meeting to add an item to the Agenda

Thursday 19 May 2011 – minutes prepared Julie Bunker

Councillor David Williams (Chairman)

Julie Bunker (Parish Clerk)