

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh held on  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at Kimble Stewart Hall at 7.30pm**

Prior to the start of this meeting a short time will be allocated, subject to the sole discretion *Chairman of the meeting, for statements or questions from members of the public*

Several members of the public attended to discuss items 3, 4 and planning issues

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**1 Attendance and Acceptance of Apologies**

Councillor John Austin (Chairman)

Councillor Donna Johnson (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor David Williams

Councillor James Good

Julie Bunker - Clerk

Councillor Delia Burton

Councillor Alun Jones

Councillor Gerald Redding

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

Councillor Williams declared an interest in planning application 12/07897/FUL

**3 To receive and discuss a report from Councillors on the Meeting between Ironstone (Owners of the Bernard Arms) their Solicitors, Great Kimble School Governors and St Nicholas.**

Three proposals were put forward to the Owners by the meeting

- Italian Restaurant
- Childrens Nursery
- Purchase of land from current owners

The current owners stated that to refurbish the Bernard Arms as a pub was beyond economical sense.

Their proposal was for 3 Houses, 1 detached and 2 semi-detached but stressed no planning application had been submitted.

The School may wish to lease part of the land for parking. No firm conclusions were arrived at and the Owners have gone away to consider all proposed options.

**4 To discuss Protecting the Parish Public Houses under the Community Right to Bid, Localism Act 2011**

Michael Clarke gave a short explanation on the Community Right to Bid under the Localism Act. This act allows Parish Councils and Communities to nominate buildings or land for listing with the local authority as an asset of community value. Once the asset is registered, if the owner wishes to sell the asset, he must inform the Local Authority. If the nominating body wishes to develop a bid then a moratorium period of 6 weeks is triggered in which to allow the formulation of a bid and during which time to owner cannot proceed to sell the asset.

The obvious assets within our Parish would be the Public Houses; Mr Clarke had spoken to the Landlord of the Swan who was not very keen on the initiative.

The Parish Council deferred any decision on this until the July meeting.

**5 Minutes**

To agree and sign the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2013

It was unanimously agreed that the minutes, previously circulated, were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

**6 To review and agree the Accounts May 2013 and agree payments for June 2013 (List of payments attached)**

The May Accounts and June payments were all agreed

## **7 Annual Accounts and Annual Return – to agree and sign the Annual Return**

The Clerk went through the Annual Governance Statement and all questions were answered as affirmative, the accounts will now be forwarded to the external auditors.

## **8 Planning Applications and appeals**

To review and confirm the responses made to Wycombe District Council by the planning committee.  
(Attached updated list)

The Parish Council carefully reviewed all the current planning applications and agreed that objection statements should be sent regarding Planning Reference 13/06183/FUL and 13/06106/FUL.

## **9 Invitation from Martin Tett to join HS2 51m Group**

To resolve the join the 51m Group to continue to oppose HS2

It was unanimously resolved to join the 51m group, the clerk will respond accordingly.

## **10 HS2 request for information from Marsh residents regarding use of facilities in Stoke Mandeville**

To resolve a response to this request from HS2 Ltd

Councillor Johnson will pull together the final copy for submission to Temple Group Ltd on behalf to HS2 before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

## **11 To receive a report from Cllrs Austin and Redding from Princes Risborough TC Community Planning Evening.**

Four main themes were considered and discussed; Housing needs and sites, Business needs and sites, Community facilities and Infrastructure.

Attendees split into 5 groups to discuss these themes and generated ideas were 'posted' and shared.

It was an interesting evening but mostly focussed on Princes Risborough Town.

## **12 To resolve agree to donate £550 to assist the production of the Parish Newsletter**

It was unanimously resolved to donate £550 to the Parish Newsletter

## **13 To discuss proposals for a Parish Anti-litter Campaign**

It was agreed to hold an anti-litter poster competition and the clerk will contact Ellesborough Parish Council and ask if they wish to hold this jointly. Launch date to be in September 2013.

## **14 Correspondence, reports and Issues from Councillors and Parish Clerk**

- a) Parish Council maintained areas (to include grass cutting, play area, litter bins etc)
  - To discuss the way forward and costs associated with erecting fencing around the play area. After discussion it was resolved to put this item on hold for review in the autumn. It was thought that fencing the area may urbanise the area too much, however the some of the current wooden bollards would need replacing to stop parking on the green. Councillor Burton will talk the to the Landlord of the Swan for his thoughts.
- b) Bucks County Council and WDC Issues (to include Highway Defects, Fly Tipping etc)
  - Letter from Si Khan of BCC regarding A4010 Footway  
A reply to be sent to Si Khan plus more photographs of the encroachment of overgrowth which are still a safety concern. The suggestion of a barked footway was dismissed due to difficulties of push a pram along such a surface.
  - Litter Pick Day  
This was a success with several volunteers helping out, it was resolved to carry out a further pick in the autumn and again next spring before the growth of too much vegetation.
- c) Correspondence
  - Councillors have received an invitation to attend an open evening to see plans for the proposed building of a Crematorium by Dignity Plc in Little Kimble. The meeting will take place at Kimble Stewart Hall on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2013 at 6pm.

d) Reports from Clerk and Councillors

- Photo Competition Update

There have been quite a few entries so far and more promised before the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

- Draft Environment statement has been published by HS2 and we have until 11 July 2013 to respond to this. Councillor Williams will put together a short response on behalf to the Parish.

- Councillor Jones and Williams attended a meeting at Hartwell House regarding HS2 and organised by the National Trust. It would appear that Stoke Mandeville Parish Council are pushing for a road realignment of the A4010 which would come into our parish. The National Trust is neither for nor against HS2 but are seeking to protect their properties affected by it.

**15** To receive items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the council on Wednesday **10th July at 7.30pm** at Kimble Stewart Hall Committee Room.

**N.B. - Councillors**

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

**Minutes prepared by Julie Bunker on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**Councillor John Austin (Chairman)**  
10<sup>th</sup> July 2013

**Julie Bunker (Parish Clerk)**  
10<sup>th</sup> July 2013