

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh held on  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2012 at Kimble Stewart Hall at 7.30pm**

*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.*

Mrs Margaret Crafts attended to update the Council on the Wildflower Project

Mrs Sue Howgate attended to update the Council on the Refurbishment plan for the Gents Toilets in the Kimble Stewart Hall and to inform them, on behalf of Roger Howgate, that the Parliamentary Ombudsman is looking into the handling of the BOAT decision.

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**1 Attendance and Acceptance of Apologies**

Councillor David Williams (Chairman)

Councillor John Austin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor James Good

Julie Bunker - Clerk

Councillor Delia Burton

Councillor Donna Johnson

Councillor Alun Jones

Mr Gerald Redding

**Apologies Received and accepted - none**

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**3 Minutes**

To agree and sign the minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2012

The minutes were unanimously agreed and signed as a correct record.

**4 To review and agree the Accounts and Payments for July and August 2012**

(Attached list of payments for Aug and Sept 2012)

The Accounts and payments were unanimously agreed and signed

**5 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 considered all the current applications and approved responses

**6 Willow Croft, Marsh – Illegal Development and verge damage - update**

It was noted that no Retrospective Planning application had been received by WDC to date and that no stop notice had been served. The Clerk will contact WDC to ask when the application can be expected and why a stop notice has not been served.

The BCC Local Area Technician has been in contact with the owner of the property regarding the obliteration of the verge opposite and this is ongoing.

**7 To resolve the option to add a Polls and Petitions option to our website**

It was resolved that at present we would not add this option to the site.

**8 New Councillors Code of Conduct/Register of Interests – to resolve to adopt the Wycombe District Council New Code of Conduct for Councillors and Register of Pecuniary Interests.**

The WDC Code of Conduct was unanimously adopted by all Councillors

## 9 Clerks Appraisal – to resolve an appropriate time of year and format

It was agreed that the Clerk would be appraised annually. Councillor Johnson will locate an appropriate appraisal form as soon as possible. Each Councillor will be asked for feedback and Cllrs Johnson and Williams will formally appraise the Clerk

## 10 Correspondence, reports and Issues from Councillors and Parish Clerk

- a) Parish Council maintained areas (to include grass cutting, play area, litter bins etc)
  - The Clerk asked if the trees in the area maintained by the PC be looked at and any maintenance carried out. The Clerk will ask Richard Billyard for a quote
- b) Bucks County Council and WDC Issues (to include Highway Defects, Fly Tipping etc)
  - Response to complaint about verge damage through Marsh  
The BCC Local Area Technician has been in contact with the owner of the property regarding the obliteration of the verge opposite and this is ongoing. Councillor Williams, Councillor Rogerson and Rob Sumner (BCC LAT) met in the area and discussed a trial kerbing site to help alleviate constant erosion of the verge. The Parish Council discussed the merits of this scheme and how to fund it, it would be likely to be funded partly by BCC and Parish. The funding from BCC would have to be applied for through the Delegated Budget Scheme.
- c) Correspondence
  - An email from Mervyn Rees had been received asking about the future of the Bernard Arms. At present the Parish Council have not been contacted regarding any developments and have no knowledge of future plans.
- d) Reports from Clerk and Councillors
  - Report on Speed Awareness Poster Competition – Cllr Williams, Cllr Jones and Cllr Austin  
All reported that this was a well attended and positive event. Thanks are extended to Ellesborough Parish Council for the organisation of this worthwhile scheme.
  - Update on procurement of Bus Shelters – Cllr Williams and Cllr Jones  
The Parish Council agreed the purchase of 3 new shelters to be installed as soon as possible.
  - The Old Stables – resolve to agree terms of rent agreement for the Rest and Be Thankful Wooden Bench  
The agreement letter as unanimously agreed.
  - Update on Affordable Housing – Cllr James Good  
Permission has not been granted by WDC despite being past its decision day. James is in contact with Elizabeth Leyland from Hastoe and will ask her to continue to apply pressure to WDC. James will also contact Councillor Steve Lacey who attended the APM and saw the plans and who much local support there is for this scheme. Cllr Williams will also call Jerry Unsworth to apply some pressure.

## 11 To receive items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the council on Wednesday **10th October 2012 at 7.30pm** at Kimble Stewart Hall

None at this time

### **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 Julie Bunker on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2012**

**Councillor David Williams (Chairman)**  
10<sup>th</sup> October 2012

**Julie Bunker (Parish Clerk)**  
10 October 2012