Minutes of Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council held on Wednesday 10th November 2021 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

One member of the public in attendance

Attendance: Cllr John Austin (Chairman), Cllr Delia Burton, Cllr James Cripps, Cllr Alun Jones, Cllr James Good and Tracey Martin (Clerk)

1) Welcome and Apologies: Cllr Austin welcomed all to the meeting.

Apologies were received and accepted from. Cllr David Williams and Cllr Harvey Alison

2) Declaration of interest in any item on this agenda by a member: There were none declared

3) Minutes

To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th October 2021 The minutes were unanimously agreed and signed

4) To approve payments for November 2021

137	Wingrave Handyman	KSH Installation of Electrical Cable	£565.00
1376	Tracey Martin	Expenses	£32.06
1375	Playspace Solutions	Playground Repairs	£174.00
1374	HMRC	PAYE	£145.60
1373	TBS Hygiene	Bin Emptying September 21	£60.00
1372	Tracey Martin	Part of Sept 21 & Oct 21 Salary	£583.14

Payments were noted and approved

5) Planning Applications, appeals and injunctions plus any updates of allocated sites as included in the Neighbourhood plan

New planning applications were reviewed and discussed and comments agreed where necessary.

21/08029/TPO: Great Kimble House Risborough Road Great Kimble: No comment

21/06803/FUL: Griffin House School Station Road Little Kimble: Amended plans received comment to be decided.

Change of Status:

21/07239/FUL: Sunnydale Upper Icknield Way Cadesden: Application Refused

21/06161/VCDN: The Laurels Marsh Road Little Kimble: Permission with Planning Obligation

6) Kimble Stewart Hall: Report - Cllr Delia Burton

Cllr Burton reported that the Committee are planning on organising a quiz night, that the new sign light is now working and that there are no future spending plans.

Cllr Good raised a concern with paperwork not showing any restrictions on the numbers allowed to attend a gathering at the hall. It was agreed that this needs to be disclosed on all booking correspondence. Cllr Burton to feedback the comments to the Booking Secretary.

7) Community Board Report – Cllr James Cripps

An email had been circulated by Cllr Cripps ahead of the meeting providing an update.

8) Marsh Kerbing/Pinch Point Project update - Cllrs Good and Williams

Timings were discussed as to when the Parish Council's application which was submitted in September could be considered. Cllr Crisps suggested that TfB should provide a solution by January / February 2022 so the Community Board could consider in March / April 2022. Cllr Good suggestion a solution in the meantime could be the installation of oak posts with reflector badges on both sides around 1m high. All Councillors were in agreement that this was a good temporary solution. Cllr Jones to obtain costings. **Action: Cllr Jones** The Clerk advised Councillors that permission / permits should be sought from TfB before installing anything on highways or verges owned by Buckinghamshire Council.

9) New website Update

In the absence of Cllr Williams and Cllr Alison the Clerk reported that the website is progressing and that it should be live in the next couple of weeks. The Clerk asked Councillors what email format they would prefer and it was agreed by those present to have first name initial followed by surname @kimblecouncil.org.uk. Discussions were had on Councillors having their addresses on the website it was agreed to remove these and have the contact as email only. The Clerk reported that there is the option to add a photo to the Councillor details page, this is still to be decided.

10) To review draft budget for 2022 / 2023

Ahead of the meeting the Clerk had circulated a draft budget. Councillors discussed increasing the grass cutting budget from £7k to £10k – the Clerk advised Councillors that this is a significant amount of money to spend when the verges / grass are the responsibility of Buckinghamshire Council and that issues should be reported through FixmyStreet. All Councillors were in favour of increasing the grass cutting budget.

Cllr Burton added that a replacement piece of playground equipment may be needed in the next financial year and it was agreed to increase the budget for Playground Repairs from £2k to £7k.

Jubilee Budget was discussed and it was agreed to allocate £20k. The draft budget will be amended and presented for approval at the December 2021 meeting.

11) To discuss plans for the Remembrance Service and Poppy Wreath

Cllr Austin reported that the Service will be on Sunday at the Church at 10.45am followed by laying of the wreaths at the War Memorial. Cllr Austin will be laying a wreath on behalf of the Parish Council and carrying out a reading. Cllr Austin raised a concern with cars parking in the layby which obstructs the view of the War Memorial. Clerk to enquire with the Police / Buckinghamshire Council as to whether the layby can be closed or if cones can be obtained.

Action: Clerk

12) HM The Queen Platinum Anniversary 2022 – ideas and budget discussion

Cllr Burton had organised a meeting at The Swan with residents to brainstorm ideas. It was agreed that it should be just on the Sunday 5 Jun 22 and would be an all-day event with activities for the children in the day going into the evening with a hog roast and music. Activities could include fancy dress, face painting, arts and crafts, classic cars, Morris Dancers, cake making and possibly a quiz. Discussions were had on who would actually run the event Community or Parish Council. Councillors at this stage felt that it should be a community led event which could be funded by the Parish Council but this is still to be confirmed. Cllr Burton to look into the guidance as to who should be responsible for running the event and any implications.

13) To consider WI Tree Planting

Cllr Jones reported that this has now been cancelled.

14) To discuss and approve village Gate Bulb Planting

Cllr Burton to discuss with local gardener to get costings.

15) To discuss and if thought fit approve costings for speed surveys

The Clerk had requested exact locations where the surveys should start and end. Cllr Good had highlighted on a map and shared with the Clerk. Only two locations will be surveyed and the purpose is to obtain data.

16) To consider and if thought fit adopt General Power of Competence

Discussions were had and all Councillors were in agreement to adopt General Power of Competence (GPC).

17) To discuss a potential photography competition and approval of prizes

It was agreed that a photography competition would be run. It will be advertised and open to all ages with the Parish Council judging the competition. Photos must be taken by the person submitting or a guardian. The prizes will be: 1st place £200, 2nd place £100 and 3rd place £50.

18) To consider and if thought fit approve quotation for online accounting software through Scribe

Costings had been circulated ahead of the meeting. Discussions were had and all Councillors were in agreement to sign up to Scribe Accounting Software at a cost of £385 per annum.

19) Policies to approve - Grant Policy and Associated Application Form

All Councillors were in agreement to adopt the grant policy and application form. The policy will be adopted.

20) Correspondence, reports and Issues (for information only)

Clerks Report - Nothing to report

Reports/Issues from Councillors

Cllr Cripps reported that there has been a push for HS2 to open Marsh Lane. Residents have reported speeds of 80+mph and an increase in traffic.

Cllr Austin reported that the Tommy's have been installed. Councillors agreed to order 4 more Tommy's 2 Navy and 2 RAF.

It was reported that Askett does not have a village sign. Clerk to obtain new sign. Action: Clerk

Cllr Austin raised the question of increasing the number of Councillors on the Parish Council. The Clerk reported that she had sent through information to Cllr Austin however, it hadn't been received and would circulate again however, no changes can be made whilst Buckinghamshire Council is going through an Electoral Review which they anticipate will be completed by the end of 2022.

21) To receive items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting to be held on the 8th December 2021. As indicated above in the minutes. Any additional items to be emailed to the Clerk.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm	
Chairman	Date: