

KENNETT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at Kennett County Primary School on Wednesday 2nd February 2005 at 7.30pm

Present: Mrs Pamela Evans, Chairperson
Mr Keith Mobbs, Vice Chairman
Mrs Jackie Hughes, Parish Clerk
Dr John Gumpert
Mrs Diane Wallis
Mr Robin Watson
Mrs Judy Broadway, County Councillor
Mrs Margaret Watson, Kennett Parochial Church Council

Apologies for absence Mr Michael Allan, District Councillor
Mr John Abbott, District Councillor

1. **The Minutes of the last meeting held on 15th December** were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairperson.

2. **Matters arising from the Minutes**

ACRE Rural Housing Enabler. No news.

Street lighting. The clerk to chase up Alfred McAlpine that the lamp is still out in Station Road. The two lamps that are on all day do not appear to belong to the Parish Council or the County Council, the Clerk to ask Sanctuary Housing.
The 40mph interactive sign is now working.

Parish Council lighting maintenance. The Clerk is to arrange for the contract to start with CCC from April. Also check the figures.

Jointly Funded Minor Highways Improvements 2005/06. Not won.

Kennett Landfill Site. Work has now started on the generator.

Lorry Count. The clerk contacted the Highways Agency for a count of lorries through the village. They advised that they could do a count but would not consider changing arrangement for HGVs. They also said that the Herringswell bridge closure was only supposed to be temporary. The clerk to contact the Highways Agency again for a count of lorries through the village.

The clerk to write to Kentford Parish Council to ask them to put the pressure on to open Herringswell Bridge.

Hereward Housing. The Clerk wrote to Hereward Housing regarding the tenant of 110 Station Road and the burning of fires close to the fuel oil tank. Hereward Housing thanked us for the information.

Donations. We have received thank you letters from all the charities.

Land at rear of 36 Station Road. The Clerk advised the Dog Warden that this land is privately owned.

Church-yard wall repairs. We have only received one quotation so far, the Clerk to chase up the others.

Corporate Plan 2005-2009. Keith Mobbs and Dr John Gumpert reviewed the plan.

3. **Memorial stones** Mrs Watson stated that KPCC were unhappy and shocked about the making safe of the memorial stones. The Parish Council should not have authorised this without a faculty, we now have to apply to the Diocesan Registrar for a confirmatory faculty. The Clerk to write to the Ely Diocesan and state what happened leading up to and on inspection. They will require the name and address of IMI, dates when first approached, notices posted, date appeared in paper plus contents. They will also require photographs of the graveyard before and after the event. The Clerk is also to write asking about procedures for the stones to be repaired.

4. **Police and Community** Cambridgeshire Police Authority Budget 2005/06
Warning about rogue traders.
Warning about rogue charity collectors.
Crime information: A motor bike was stolen from an insecure garage in Station Road and the goal post wheels were stolen from the playing field.

5. **Accounts for payment**

The following accounts were passed for payment:

Eon Energy – January supply	23.91
Alfred McAlpine – Dec & Jan maint	62.73
CCC – New street light	1578.43
Moore Stephens – Audit	141.00
Petty cash	50.00

Confirmation of petty cash payments made: 18.10

Postage stamps 0.56

Transfer of £1800.00 from Deposit to Current was approved.

6. **Planning matters**

E/03017/04/CC	Retention of 1 x 1 bay mobile building Land at, Kennett Primary School, Station Road, Kennett	Approved
E/03004/04/CW	Importation, crushing, screening and processing of construction and demolition waste Land at, Plantation Farm, Red Lodge, Kennett	Committee meeting 31/01/05 See note 1 below
04/01199/CLE	Certificate of lawfulness of existing building for office use and ancillary parking and storage. Site west of 10A Dane Hill Road Kennett	Amended and approved

04/01233/FUL	Single story extension to the rear of the property to accommodate kitchen and utility room 7 Dane Hill Road Kennett	(467) Approved
Wrenbridge	Proposed planning application for Kennett Park, formerly known as Friskies Petcare, off Moulton Road.	See note 2 below
Dialogue	The Watermark Project, proposal of building 4500 new homes, arena, rowing lake, schools and industrial park	See note 3 below

7. Correspondence

Princes Trust	Parish Newsletter	Noted
Cambs CC	Archaeology Public Events 2005	Noted
Cambs ACRE	Harvest Magazine	Noted
ECDC	Electoral Register change	Noted
ECDC	Standards Committee Meeting Agenda	Noted
Cambs CC	Public Consultation Rights of Way	Noted
ECDC	Six Weekly List	Noted
HDRA	Master Composter	Noted
CRNE	Suffolk Learning Road Show	Noted
AD&C	Write Up My Street Competition	Noted
CALC	Meeting and Agenda	Noted
CALC	Table of Parochial Fees	Noted
CALC	Burial Authority Umbrella Scheme	Noted
CALC	Workshops, Courses, Bulletin, FOIA	See note 4 below
CALC	Special Conference Quality Parish and New Clerks Contract	Noted
Cambs CC	East of England Plan Public Consultation	Noted
Cambs CC	Bus Service Tenders April 2005	Noted
Cambs & P'borough Fire	Cambs & P'borough Fire Authority Precept 2005/06	Noted
CPRE	LDF Workshop	Noted
Clerks Direct	Magazine and Year Book	Noted
EC & Fenland NHS	Annual Report of the Directors of Public Health	Noted
ECDC	Training for Parish Councils on Standards	Noted

ECDC	Mediation Delegated Meeting – Planning Applications	(468) Noted
ECDC	Register of Interests, Gifts & Hospitality Training	Noted
ECDC	Summer Holiday Activity Roadshows 2005	To K&KVH
Forest Heath	LDF and Consultation	Noted
Glasdon	Equipment Brochures	Noted
Local Channel	FOIA and Website	Noted
Newmarket Comm P'ship	Working Groups	Noted
Office of Deputy Prime Minister	FOIA	Noted
Standards Board	Bulletin 22	Noted

Notes

1. Mrs Evans attended the committee meeting of the 31st January and spoke on behalf of the Parish Council. A summary of our objections are as follows:
Our main objection to this application is the traffic generated.

The considerable existing traffic on the B1085 through Kennett passes a primary school, listed buildings, and in places, has a very narrow pavement.

The road has a large warehouse complex next to the station with large HGVs entering and leaving day and night.

An asphalt plant, again, at certain times of the year, day and night traffic movements.

Many HGVs leaving the A14 going to the 24 hour café and parking at Red Lodge also pass through Kennett on the B1085.

There is also commuter traffic to the Animal Health Trust, Lanwades Business Park, and a further development is being proposed for the land in between these two sites.

Another traffic hazard is at the Bell Public House crossroads. This is a tight corner for large vehicles.

All the above is making the traffic intolerable on a B road basically built to connect villages.

It's stated that there have been no accidents involving HGVs but there have been many single car accidents on a particular stretch of the B1085 from near the entrance to Dane Hill Farm towards the A11 for a stretch of approximately 50 yards. These have been mostly caused by HGV' coming down the hill from the A11 Junction, round a bend causing cars to swerve left onto the grass verge which is deeply rutted due to HGVs passing one another. This verge borders swampy land and at times has quite deep standing water. Cars have turned over or been stuck in the ditch and ambulances and fire engines have been called. There is no speed restriction on this stretch of road. The HGVs continue on their way not knowing what has happened.

We have asked that if permission is granted, could a Section 106 agreement banning the traffic through Kennett and Chippenham be considered.

List of accidents on the B1085 between Kentford and the A11 junction.

- i. Summer 2000. Car went into the ditch on the south side of the road. No other vehicle involved, ambulance called.
- ii. Summer 2000. Exactly as above.
- iii. 11 November 2001. Car turned over into the ditch. Ambulance and fire engine needed
- iv. 12 February 2002. Car in ditch as in 1 and 2 above.
- v. Late autumn 2002. As above
- vi. 23 November 2004. Car crossed verge into the pond. Ambulance and fire engine called.

The decision has been postponed for another month to discuss with Mr Haird about containing the site to certain limits and any future increase in business.

2. The Parish Councillors attended a meeting with the developers on 20th January. The developers want to create a modern business park. The buildings will be 1 or 2 story and custom made for each business. They hope to access the site from the Bury Road, in between Lanwades Business Park and the Animal Health Trust. They hope to reduce the speed to 40mph from the Animal Health Trust to the current start of the 30mph at the start of Kentford village. The Parish Councillors on the whole have no objections to the proposals apart from concerns about traffic.
3. The Parish Councillors attended a meeting with the developers on 26th January. The developers gave an outline of their plans. The Parish Councillors will take a measured approach once planning applications are submitted.
4. Freedom of Information Act. The clerk to produce a list of contacts for the notice board.

8. Date and venue of next meeting

The next meeting will be held at Kennett County Primary School, on Wednesday 6th April at 7.30pm