

KENNETT PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at Kennett County Primary School on Monday 15th August 2011 at 7.30pm****Present:**

Mrs Pamela Evans, Chairperson
 Mrs Jackie Hughes, Parish Clerk
 Mr Darren Watson, Vice Chairperson
 Mr Mark Hillyer
 Mr Russell Hughes
 Mr Derek Miles
 Mr Robin Swanson

Mr Michael Allan, District Councillor
 Mr John Powley, County Councillor

20/11-12 Apologies for absence:

Mr James Palmer, County Councillor
 Mr Josh Schumann, District Councillor

21/11-12 Declaration of Interests on Agenda None.**22/11-12 Public Participation None.****23/11-12 The Minutes of the last meeting held on 18th July 2011 These were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.**

24/11-12 HCV Strategy Trials Debbie Maith, Cambs County Council, Traffic Management Team explained the process of the trails and that Kennett would be included. As part of the trial there would be an HCV count carried out by an electronic device, it was pointed out that there would need to be at least 2 devices to get a clear picture of HCV movement through the village. Measurements of the roads, pavements and house garden fronts would be required.

25/11-12 Reports on matters arising from previous meetings

1. **Flashing speed signs** The sign at the school has be reset and now goes off at 45mph. The sign opposite 16 Station Road has had the trees cut back from it and now needs resetting.
2. **Speed limit review.** The Clerk invited John Richards from Cambridgeshire County Council Highways to a meeting to discuss the proposals and costs but has received no reply.
3. **Fence at Sanctuary Housing** The Housing Officer has informed us that the land is owned by Anglian Water, they have been advised but will probably take no action.
4. **Public footpath, to rear of church** CCC have written to the farmer to reinstate the footpath to the Parish Councils requirements.
5. **Joint training** The Clerk is to ask ECDC if they could organise training courses with CPALC for the villages at Ely.
6. **St Nicholas Close path** The Housing Officer has not contacted us, the Clerk to chase up.
7. **Churchyard tidiness** The Clerk has obtained one quote so far for the trees that need cutting back either side of the gate and to remove ivy on the church wall and for the trees in the cemetery that need to be cut back and down.
8. **Bird Scarer** No news.
9. **Church Magazine** The Vicar is away on holiday, Councillor Hughes will contact the Editor.

- 26/11-12 Sustainable Communities Acts 2007 and 2010** It was agreed that the Parish Council would support the request by Ron Bailey for the alteration to the wording in the Acts.
- 27/11-12 Reports from County and District Councillors** Councillor Powley reported on the proposal to open a railway station at Soham together with his efforts to control rat-running through the villages. Councillor Allan advised of the Committees that he and Councillor Schumann are members of.
- 28/11-12 Meeting with Network Rail 27th July** The meeting was to see if the parish council would like a new footbridge. Funding is in place and the timescale would be approx 2 years. The carriages have been reduced to 2 since the incident. There are no plans at the moment to lengthen the platform. We were shown 2 plans, 1 had a ramp zig-zagging across the top of the carpark and down the other side. The other had a ramp going down on the signal box side. The signal box is being demolished in November. We asked if ice would be an issue in the winter, Network Rail will have to look into it. They will do costings for a stair access as well. There are no plans for electrification at the moment so there are no plans to alter the traffic bridge. CCC Highways would like to see a complete new bridge for traffic and rail passengers.
- 29/11-12 Casual Vacancy** No applications received.
- 30/11-12 Notification of Planning Approvals** 11/00442/FUL – 44 Station Road, Kennett
To recover the glazing to 4 windows and install 4 ventilation louvers..
- 31/11-12 Notification of Planning Refusals** None.
- 32/11-12 Notification of Planning Applications**
11/00698/FUL – Wildtracks Offroad Activity Park
Change of use of land for clay target shooting and associated facilities
Object on the grounds of increased traffic and noise.
- 33/11-12 Police and Community** There was one reported crime in July, the theft of a motorcycle.
- 34/11-12 Correspondence**
CCC – Winter Season Grit Bins 2011/12 – Clerk to complete form.
ECCSP – Domestic Violence Online Directory – Poster to be displayed on notice board.
RHS – In Bloom – It was agreed that planting some bulbs might be an idea to brighten the village.
- 35/11-12 Publications** None.
- 36/11-12 Finance**
1. The following accounts were approved for payment
 - a) Cheque no. 000190 – Kennett School – Room hire £39.00
 2. A transfer is not required
- 37/11-12 Councillors Forum** None.
- 38/11-12 Matters carried forward to next meeting** None.
- 39/11-12 Date and venue of next meeting**
The next meeting will be postponed by one week to Monday the 26th September, it will be held at Kennett County Primary School and commence at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.43pm.