**Kennett Parish Council**

MINUTES of the Ordinary Meeting held on 12th September 2017

At the Pavilion, Kennett - Meeting commenced at 7.30 pm

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| Present  Cllr Anthony French (AF)  Cllr Darren Watson (DW)  Cllr Tim Foddy (TF)  Cllr Cheryl Jowett (CJ)  DCllr Julia Huffer | Apologies  Cllr Robin Swanson  Cllr Adam Girling  Cllr Mark Hillyer    Absent  CCllr Josh Schumann |

In attendance

Su Field (Parish Clerk)

0 Members of the public

**PUBLIC FORUM**

No items.

**17/18-049 Chairman’s Welcome and Apologies for Absence**

Cllr A French, Vice Chairman, took the chair and welcomed those present.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs R Swanson, A Girling and M Hillyer.

CCllr J Schumann was absent.

**17/18-050 Declaration of Interests**

1. Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in any item of business:

**None**

1. Declaration of any personal and/or prejudicial interest in any items on the agenda:

**Cllr T Foddy – CLT**

**Cllr D Watson – CLT and Village Hall**

**Cllr C Jowett – CLT**

1. Written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests:

**None**

1. Grants to any requests for dispensations:

**None**

**17/18-051 Minutes of Meeting held on 11th July 2017**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11th July 2017 were agreed as a true record and were duly signed by the Vice Chairman.

**17/18-052 EXTERNAL FORUM**

1. **County Councillor**

No report received.

1. **District Councillor**

JH informed the meeting that the final draft of the Local Plan will be published on ECDC website on the 28th September and will be going to full Council on 5th October for acceptance.

**17/18-053 Matters arising from previous meetings (Action Items)**

The wheelie bin stickers had been purchased and delivered. These will be distributed in due course.

The Clerk has still to purchase the dog bag dispensers and this will be actioned before the next meeting.

Other items will be covered later in this agenda.

**17/18-054 Traffic calming and road safety**

It would appear that the County Council have not acted upon the recent reporting of the weeds on the bridge. The Clerk was instructed to re-report the issue.

It had been noted that the sign on the chicane is still broken and the Clerk was instructed to ascertain whether this was a County Council responsibility to get it mended.

It would appear that the batteries on the MVAS on Station Road need to be replaced. Those present thought it would be useful if a synopsis of data logged by the MVAS signs could be provided to gauge volumes/speeds etc. RS to be asked to update the council with data.

Some members had heard that the Red Lodge Transport Cafe has been sold for development land and it is hoped that this will result in less lorry movements through the village.

**17/18-055 CLT – Update**

Latest minutes are on the website.

**17/18-056 Village Website**

AG is hoping to get the new site completed within the next couple of weeks.

**17/18-057 Noticeboards - Update**

The Clerk had contacted the County Council to seek their permission to site the new noticeboards at the locations previously identified but despite several chaser emails no confirmation had yet been received. The Clerk will endeavour to elicit agreement prior to the purchasing of the two new noticeboards.

**17/18-058 REPORTS**

1. **Any External Meetings that Councillors may wish to report.**

Nothing relevant to this meeting.

**17/18-059 Planning Issues**

1. **17/01505/FUL – 9 Dane Hill Road – Proposed side and rear extensions. Applicant : Mr & Mrs Welham**

No comments/concerns.

1. **17/01380/FUL and 17/01381/LBC – The Gate House, 44 Dane Hill Road – Proposed single storey rear extension and demolition of existing conservatory. Applicant : Mr & Mrs Chris Ducker**

No comments/concerns.

**17/18-060 Correspondence Received**

1. Alan Warwick Email

The Clerk provided those members of the Parish Council present a copy of an email from Mr Alan Warwick which contained concerns about the possible alteration/updating of the Bell Junction and issues around any relief road in respect of the proposed new development.

Discussion took place about whether it would be feasible to commission a traffic survey to provide evidence in relation to the amount of traffic coming through the village and the Clerk was instructed to investigate indicative costs for commissioning a traffic survey.

Other correspondence circulated via email.

**17/18-061 Financial Matters**

1 Current Bank Balances, at 11th September 2017 (online), Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation for noting

Treasurers Account - £1,110.27

Bus Bank Instant Account - £15,613.44

2 Cheques to be signed at meeting

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| Cheque No | Amount | Payee | Detail |
| None |  |  |  |

3 Online payments made/to be made

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| Amount | Payee | Detail |
| £97.50 | ECDC | Additional Planning Fee (refunded) |
| £82.50 | HMRC | PAYE on Clerk’s Wages |
| £107.00 | K Isaaks | Wheelie Bin Stickers |
| £14.46 | Anglian Water | Water Rates on Church |
| £125.82 | Mrs S Field | Wages & Expenses (August) |
| £30.00 | S & J Alexander | Internal Audit Fee |
| £130.00 | Swanson Landscapes | Grass Cutting |
| £100 | Three Rivers Car Scheme | Donation |
| £19.12 | 1&1 Internet | Website Hosting Charge |
| £130.00 | Swanson Landscapes | Grass Cutting |
| £130.07 | Mrs S Field | Wages & Expenses (September) |

The Clerk provided the Vice Chairman with a copy of the bank reconciliation which was duly signed as evidence of income and expenditure.

**17/18-062 Councillors Forum**

DW – Brambles and weeds at railway bridge to be reported on CCC website.

DW – Oil buying consortium has been set up – details to be put on the website when received.

Lots of incidents of cars appearing to be “cruising” – opportunistic crimes.

DW mentioned the new gas plant which was being constructed in Burwell and it was agreed that a watching brief would be kept.

Abandoned van and dumped sofa – to be reported on ECDC website.

AF – incidents of cars parking at the lower end of Station Road constantly.

**17/18-048 Agenda Items for the Parish Council Meeting to be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 10th October 2017 to be held at the School**

Traffic Survey – indicative figures

Meeting closed at 8.39pm.

Signed: ..................................................................

Kennett Parish Council