

KIRKLEVINGTON AND CASTLE LEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Monday, 19th December, 2022 at 7.00p.m held in the
Small Hall, Kirklevington Memorial Hall**

Present: Mr N. DeBadgecoe (Chair) (NDB)
Mr. D. Hadfield (Vice Chair) (DH)
Mrs. J. Beaumont (JB)
Dr. A. McLee (AMc)
Mr. A. Alton (AA)
Mrs J. Smith (JS)
Mr T. Collins (TC)
Mrs. R. Mazonas (RM) (Clerk) (PC)

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Councillors A Sherris, D. Fagan, PCSO Rachel Shepherd

2) DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

JB declared a non-prejudicial interest as Treasurer of Kirklevington Memorial Hall. **JB** showed a non-prejudicial interest as a close neighbour of planning application 21/0156/FUL. **AA**. Declared a non-prejudicial interest as Chair of Kirklevington Memorial Hall, **DH** declared a non-prejudicial interest as employed in a Government Department.

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the November meeting were duly read, **APPROVED TC, NDB**

4) MATTERS ARISING MINUTES -

5) PLANNING

a) PLANNING UPDATE

i) Story Development

NDB reported

- Landscaping work is being carried out at the site.
- It has been noted that SBC have been observed carrying out work at the site
- Some street lighting at the site continues to be on permanently at the site which has been reported.
- The issue of the signage which indicates the speed limit when entering the site requires attention.

ii) Taylor Wimpey

NDB reported

- Large vehicles exiting the site continue to reverse down St. Martins Way together with some vehicles reversing into Moor Close. Whilst an operative does walk at the side of the reversing vehicles these actions are of great concern and dangerous.
- Suggestions were made as to how we should go forward re the many issues occurring from the site.
- **TC** expressed concerns re the water issues at the site and, in particular, the open water at the suds and implications re safety and potential dangers.
- Questions were raised as to who would monitor and look after the site during the Christmas shut down period at the site.

- It was noted that no permission is needed by the utility companies to install services.
- Permission however is still required for the drains and we await their approval.

iii) Duchy Homes - 22/1846/REM

NDB - We still await information re this approved development

iv) Knowles Farm

Concern is still being expressed re the state of the road at Grove Bank and questions asked as to when residents can expect the road to be resurfaced.

b) APPLICATIONS

20/0344/NMA – Tall Trees Development, Worsall Road, Kirklevington, TS15 9LX

Non material amendment to planning approval 20/0344/VARY – Section 73 application to vary condition no. 2 of planning approval 15/2152/REM – Reserved matters application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for planning approval 13/2568/EIS – Phase 2 for the erection of 149 dwellings and open space.

22/2511/FUL – 19 – 21 Forest Lane Kirklevington, TS15 9LX

Listed building consent for replacement roof.

22/2509/FUL – 12 St. Martins Way, Kirklevington, TS15 9NR

Erection of single storey extension to front and rear to include render.

c) DELEGATED DECISIONS

None received

6) PLAY AREA

a) Equipment

- **NDB** confirmed that the suggested purchase of gym equipment for the Play Area had been placed in the recent Newsletter that had gone out to residents for their comments as to whether such equipment would be a good idea or not. He also confirmed that the community website www.kirkcommunity.co.uk gave the opportunity for all residents to respond to a survey which asked, by clicking on either a **YES** or **NO**, as whether such gym equipment was a good idea. The results of the survey was a resounding **YES**.
- A discussion re such equipment was had by all Parish Councillors at the meeting.
- The **PC** was requested to enquire with the Parish Councils Insurance Company as to the cost and what extra insurance might be necessary re the hosting of such equipment in the Play Area.
- It was agreed by all present that such equipment should be purchased subject to adequate insurance being obtained. **APPROVED by all Parish Councillors**

b) Christmas Tree

- **NDB** gave praise to the brilliant work that SBC had carried out re the power source, lighting and fencing.
- It was also confirmed that lots of compliments received from residents re the tree.
- The tree continues to look very healthy and **AMc** confirmed that he was certain that it would continue to grow in its new position at the Play Area.

c) Christmas Event

- **NDB** expressed his thanks to **AA** and his amazing team of helpers who worked so hard to put the Grotto up and decorate. Many thanks also to Ben from North East Leisure for the loan of the Santa display. A big thank you was also expressed to all who volunteered to help at the event. Many compliments had been expressed by those attending the event which had made the event magical for the children.
- **NDB** suggested that a review of the timings of the event need to be look at for next year. This will be discussed nearer to December 2023 Christmas Event.
- **NDB** suggested that some sound system/microphone be used at the Play Area next year to allow for everyone to hear the carol singers better.
- A review of the amount of food purchased needs to also be looked into following the success of the event and the increased number of those attending.
- All agreed that the advertising had been good and had reached those residents in the community who had children.

c) Play Area Notice board

NDB The design and content still being discussed.

7) CORRESPONDENCE

- Colin Brown – HGV vehicles on pavement and grassed area
- J. Angus – Costing for new ‘Kirklevington; sign west of Railway Bridge
- Pensions Regulator – 3 year submission
- Lee Dewing, Taylor Wimpey – Complaint re ‘Kirklevington Village News’ Facebook page
- R. Bleach – Letter re recycled material being mixed together on refuse trucks. ? What is the point in residents separating paper, glass, tins etc.?
- E. Atkinson – Letter re permission required for utilities, drainage. Vehicles using Moor Close as a turning space. Request that residents monitor and report back to her of any infringements.
- Mark Wardle, SBC. Email re Christmas Tree, Lighting and fencing
- Bruno Peek, Pageant Master –Coronation of His Majesty The King, Charles III – details and organisation – Lighting of Beacon
- Suzanne Lloyd, SBC – Precept 2024/24
- R. Blenkinson – Taylor Wimpey Development issues
- NALC

8) FINANCE

a) Payments

Mrs R Mazonas		
Broadband November, 2022	£24.35	
Salary December, 2022	<u>£326.02</u>	<u>£350.37</u>
HMRC – PAYE		£275.40
Oct, Nov, Dec 2022		
Mrs R Mazonas		£97.90
Christmas Event Expenditure		

Mr. N. DeBadgecoe	£38.86
Christmas Event Expenditure	
SLCC Membership 2023	£112.00
Paul Cruickshank Security	£190.00
Replacement Camera, Service CCTV	

b) Accounts Update

The PC circulated the monthly updates to all Parish Councillors for their information.

c) Budget Review 2023/24

The PC provided the meeting with the 2022/23 budget figures and also the projected figures for 2023/24. After a long discussion the budget figures were agreed.

APPROVED BY ALL PARISH COUNCILLORS.

d) Precept 2023/24

Following the agreed budget figures for 2023/24 it was agreed to request a figure of £23,000 from SBC. This figure would result in a slight reduction to residents due to the increasing number of dwellings in the Parish.

9) VILLAGE ISSUES

a) Shared Noticeboard Parish/Church

There continues to be a concern re the security of the proposed noticeboard on Pump Lane. Questions were raised as to the possibility of CCTV and in what location it could be put.

b) EVENTS 2023

- **Coronation King Charles III – 6th May, 2023** – After a discussion it was agreed that any event would need to be inside. There was no guarantee that the weather would be kind re any such event. The provisional booking of the Village Hall has been made but other suggestions are being looked into with costings.
- **Kirkfest Event 24/25th June, 2023** – To be discussed in the New Year.
- **Christmas Event** – AA confirmed that the Provisional booking of the Village Hall for the 2023 event - **Sunday, 10th December, 2023**

c) Flag Pole

- TC read out details of the various options re the size and type of Flag Pole available with the costings. The PC was requested by TC to circulate details to all Parish Councillors after the meeting. The need for planning permission was necessary.
- Consideration is needed as to where the Flag Pole should be sited i.e. Play Area or Village Hall. This still needs to be decided.

d) CCTV

NDB requested that the Parish Council look into the possibility of installing CCTV in other areas within the village.

e) Telegraph Poles A67

The PC confirmed that she had written to Openreach re the telegraph poles on the side of the A67 which have stood for several years but not been used.

f) Facebook Page Review – ‘Kirklevington Village News’

NDB confirmed to the meeting that the ‘Kirklevington Village News’ Facebook page was not a closed site and joining is open to those who request to become members. Approval of content re posts on the site continue to be monitored and require prior approval.

11) ROAD SAFETY

a) Service bus

This continues to be working well with residents taking the opportunity to use the service. Students attending Conyers continue to use the service with appreciation from parents.

b) Road Signage A67

TC reported that he felt that there was some improvement re the lighting up of the signage on the A67. However, additional signage on the road was still urgently needed. It was also noticed that some signage did not seem to be facing in the right direction at the entrance to St. Martins Green from the A67 and this requires attention.

c) Pump Lane Parking Issues

NDB that the ‘No Waiting at Any Time’ notice for Pump Lane which was part of the TRO in March 2021 will now be going forward.

d) Pump Lane – Road Layout

NDB confirmed that he had managed to organise a meeting with Martin Parker of SBC to discuss the one-way system on Pump Lane to the rear of the Church and Town Hall Close in the New Year.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – 2022/23

Coronation – 6th May, 2023

Summer Event - 24th/25th JUNE 2023

Christmas Event – 10th December, 2023

12) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING

Village Events 2023

13) MEETING DATES

Monday, 23rd January, 2023 at 7.00p.m. – Small Hall, Kirklevington Memorial Hall

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