

KIRKLEVINGTON AND CASTLE LEAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Thursday, 28th July, 2022 at 7.00p.m held in the
Small Hall, Kirklevington Memorial Hall**

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

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Mr. D. Hadfield, Mrs. J. Smith, Borough Councillors Mr. A. Sherris and Mr. D. Fagan, Mayor of the Tees Valley, Mr. B. Houchen

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

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the June meeting were duly read, **APPROVED AA, TC**

4) MATTERS ARISING MINUTES - NONE

5) PLANNING

a) PLANNING UPDATE

i) Story Development -

- **TC** reported to the meeting that the road resurfacing is still to be completed
- **NDB** reported the need for a footpath which will give a direct route to the Pump Lane footpath which is needed for residents living on the St. Martins Green development to access school, village hall and the village.
- **TC** reported that he had sent out a Watts App to residents of St. Martins Green asking what they would like to see or need to ensure integration in the local community. As a result of replies that he has received only positive comments have been received as to the friendliness of existing Kirklevington villagers and the immense community spirit.
- **Mugger Story Homes** - Questions were asked as to when the Mugger will be built at the Story site as it will provide an area for the many youngsters who like to play football. At the present time the Play Area is not suitable to provide such a facility.

ii) Taylor Wimpey

- **NDB** reported to the meeting that he had written to Scott Robinson of Taylor Wimpey re the many concerns that have arisen re wagons mounting pavements and travelling past the school whilst children are accessing the school both in the morning and afternoon. Certain vehicles are continuing to travel up St. Martins Way with dust covers removed. Diesel generator running 24/7 to power CCTV on the site which is situated close to homes. The deliberate antagonising of residents who are experiencing difficult situations from the site which is totally unacceptable.
- **NDB** also reported that no further information has been received re the alternative route for site traffic has been received.

- The road on The Green between nos. 28 and 32 continues to be monitored as it is showing signs of subsidence since the site traffic has been using this route.

a) APPLICATIONS

22/1588/REM – Far End Farm, Worsall Road, Kirklevington TS15 9PE

Reserved matters application for the appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 3 no. dwelling houses and associated external works.

22/1543/DCH – Field View Camp Site, Green Lane, Kirklevington TS15 9EH

Information to discharge condition no.7 (noise disturbance from adjacent road and rail traffic), condition no.9 (materials), condition no. 10 (existing and proposed site levels) and condition no. 12 (access and egress) of planning approval 16/3179/OUT

22/1435/ADV – Land Off St. Martins Way, Kirklevington

Advertisement consent for 6 no. non illuminated flag poles, 2 no. non illuminated tri stack sign, 1 no. externally illuminated mono sign, 4 no. non illuminated fascia signs and 1 no. illuminated board sign

22/1518/DCH – Field View Camp Site, Green Lane, Kirklevington, TS15 9EH

Information to discharge conditions no. 3 (Proposed Hedge), no.5 (Hedge Protection during construction) no. 6 (Soft Landscaping) and no. 7 (Landscape Management Plan) of planning approval 21/0275)REM Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 6 dwelling houses.

b) DELEGATED DECISIONS - NONE

6) PLAY AREA

a) Reseeding - Still awaiting the seeding work to be carried out to the rear of the seating area although this may not be the best time for the work to be carried out due to the extremely dry weather.

b) Hedge Cutting – The PC had organised for the hedge to be cut with the use of a flail which will allow for a deep cut and hopefully mean that only one cut a year will be necessary. It was pointed out that the Parish Council's insurance does not allow for Councillors or employees to carry out such work.

c) William Hall Trust – NDB reported to the meeting that the William Hall Trust have indicated that they will look favourably re any application for funding towards the final piece of play equipment when a decision is made as to what is to be ordered.

d) Sign – NDB reported that the sign by the Play Area gate still needs to be organised when final wording is decided.

e) Road Signage - Concern was expressed re vehicles driving up Pump Lane and past the Play Area. It was suggested that we contact SBC and request more visual signage to indicate that children are playing as there is no footpath to the side of the road by the Play Area which is a concern re children crossing the road to access the only footpath.

f) Christmas Tree - AMc had been monitoring the existing tree in the Play Area which houses the lights at Christmas. He expressed concern re it's condition. It was agreed that there is a need for a new tree. AMc stated that the tree would need to have a root ball that had been managed over several years. TC felt that the present tree would not improve

due to the bottom branches not showing any signs of growth and that the tree needed to be replaced. A new tree to be found by **AMc** and **PC**

7) CORRESPONDENCE

- Keith Morley – Story/Taylor Wimpey site issues
- David Bell – Copy letter to Michael Gove – Support request
- A. Alton – Post Jubilee Walks
- Jonathan Kibble – Service Bus information
- Ann McLone – Proposed new bus stop – Proposed siting on The Green
- NALC - Newsletter

8) FINANCE

a) Payments

Mrs R Mazonas		£250.00
Refund Charity Donation – Leukaemia Research – Jubilee		
Mrs R Mazonas		
Salary July, 2022	£305.82	
Broadband, June, 2022	£24.35	
Petty Cash	£20.00	
McAfee Renewal 22/23	£99.99	
Litter Picking Sticks x 2	£39.98	
Litter Picking Stick x 1	£19.99	
Thank You Gift Internal Auditor	£37.50	
Stationery	<u>£6.11</u>	<u>£553.74</u>
ICO Annual Renewal		£35.00
SBC		£1,168.13
Play Area Inspection 22/23		
22 Visual & 4 Operational Inspections		
1 x Inspection by ROSPA		
Alexander Carson		£595.00
Hedge Cutting Play Area		

b) Accounts Update

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

c) Risk Assessment

The 2022/23 Risk Assessment was presented to Councillors with the agreed alterations and changes made by the **PC**. The Risk Assessment was then **APPROVED NDB JB**

9) VILLAGE ISSUES

a) Shared Noticeboard Parish/Church

The **PC** confirmed that she was liaising with Rev. Kate Brown re a suitable noticeboard and costs. She also confirmed that she had contact Development Services at SBC re the need for planning permission to site the noticeboard outside of the Church on Pump Lane.

b) PROW – South of School Field

- i) **AA** reported to the meeting that the top layer that had been put on the PROW to the south of the school field was unsatisfactory and needs to be upgraded.
- ii) It was also reported that runners from the poplar trees to the south of the school field were growing underneath the PROW and growing into new trees and had the potential if not attended to cause problems. The **PC** was asked to contact Care for Your Area to request that work is carried out to the roots.

c) Conditions – Levington Mews

It was reported that The Police Wildlife Officer was now back in the office and contactable. Parker Barris the Management Company who service the site are now aware of the situation re the condition of the protected pond.

d) DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - 2023 Summer Event is to be **24th/25th JUNE 2023**

10) ROAD SAFETY

a) Traffic Calming – Forest Lane

NDB reminded the meeting that:

- As part of the 106 Agreement for the development at Knowles Farm, traffic calming is to be installed close to the junction of Grove Bank and the railway bridge.
- Data was still being collected re traffic movements along Forest Lane. This data continues to be circulated
- The possibility of the ward budget funding and obtaining a speed camera to monitor and collect more evidence re speeding traffic through the village.

b) Service Bus

NDB indicated that he had been informed that the service bus will be up and running in about 3 to 4 weeks time but we still await confirmation of this timing from SBC.. After consultation and analysis as to where to put the bus stop within the village, The Green was chosen as the most popular and safest site for it to be put with plenty of space to wait safely and a footpath opposite for other walker to use.. A bus shelter was deemed unnecessary. .

11) MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MONTHS MEETING

Halloween, Christmas Event, Remembrance Day

12) MEETING DATES

Monday, 19th September 2022 at 7.00p.m. – Small Hall, Kirklevington Memorial Hall

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