

## **KENN PARISH COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES** – Kenn Parish Council meeting 11 January 2016 held in the Village Hall, Kenn St, Kenn Meeting commenced at 19:30 and concluded at 21:30

**PRESENT:** Cllrs S Naish (Chairman), S Brain, W Bessant, J-P Humberstone, C Quinn, H Staples, R Treble. Clerk; Eleanor Wade

**IN ATTENDANCE:** North Somerset Council's (NSC) Cllr Jill Iles & Liaison Officer M Lenny

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19:30 **Items raised during Public Participation** 8 residents attended

(1) The Hand Equestrian Centre; visit and update from representatives of the new owners. Currently they are working to get the site secure and ready for the arrival of the horses later in the year. The site would be used for crowd control and protestor training during the day, with both horses and dogs. Also some limited firing of blanks may be carried out but advance warning would be given locally when this may occur. They gave assurances there would be no live fire arm practicing at this site as the police had a much better facility for this, situated at Black Rock.

(2) Village Clean-up; the organiser advised this will be carried out after the verges have been cut by NSC, the Parish Council's Liaison Officer was asked to find out when this might be. Also if they could provide litter pickers and collect the rubbish that has been collected.

(3) Footpath Stile; report received that a stile's cross member needs repairing on the path between Kenn St and Kennmoor Road. Agreed to advise NSC's Footpath Officer.

(4) Section 106; enquiry about the definition 'applicable to the development' with regard to this.

(5) North Somerset councillor, Jill Iles, reported on large scale house development sites – update on the Yatton site, phase 2. The Congresbury application had been refused but may go to appeal. A request had been submitted to NSC by the St Modwens site developers to ascertain if an Environmental Impact Assessment Study was required.

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19:50 FORMAL BUSINESS

**16/01 Apologies for absence** None

**16/02 Declarations of interest** None

**16/03 Minutes** of the Council meeting held on the 17 November 2015

**Resolved:** The minutes were approved as correct.

**16/04 Chairman's Communications** (min 15/148) the Chairman:

- Welcomed the new NSC Liaison Officer, Matt Lenny, to his first meeting of Kenn Parish Council. Matt gave some details of his responsibilities in NSC; he had been working for the authority from June 2015 in the capacity of Health Care in particular relating to children, infectious diseases etc. He lives locally in Clevedon.
- Provided an update from the Community Police Officers who were unable to attend; (1) Attempt Burglary to business premises at Kenn Business Park, however no entry gained, (2) a missing person who was located safe and well.
- Gave details of an invitation to villagers from 'Everyone Active Stadium', the new gym at the Hand Stadium, of a free pass for a trial of their facilities until the end of January.

**16/05 Verges and hedges** (min 15/149)

Fishermen's Car Park, overgrown verge – no reply to a recent enquiry to the Environment Agency. **Agreed;** to try again and advise that the Parish Council intend to contact NSC to request they follow it up or do the work and charge the Environment Agency.

Village Clean-up – NSC programme for verge cutting, see public participation (2) above.

**16/06 Traffic speeds, parking on pavements** (min 15/150)

Signs that flash when the speed limit is being exceeded. Kenn Parish Council's request to borrow a portable vehicle activated sign, to remind drivers of the speed limit, has been passed to the officer who manages these signs. It had also been agreed to put a sum in the precept to purchase a sign if the trial was successful (see minutes 15/170 & 15/171)

Parking on pavements – Cllr Treble was requesting a site meeting with NSC Highways.

**16/07 Items deferred to this meeting.**

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- West of England Joint Spatial Plan: Issues and Options (min 15/165)

Consultation on new homes and workplaces in the West of England by 4 West of England Councils (BANES, Bristol, NSC and S Gloucestershire) who are drawing up a plan to help steer development in the area over the next 20 yrs up to 2036.

- West of England Joint Spatial Plan: Transport Study (min 15/166)

The 4 West of England Councils are also drawing up a study which will help steer transport investment and policy in the area, also up to 2036.

Consideration was given on the impact of extra vehicle movements relating to large building sites, when they have been finished and occupied. It was felt some comments should be made relating to this in the West of England Joint Spatial Plan: Transport Study.

**Resolved:** To call a Special Council meeting to consider comments on these.

**16/08 Highways England: M5 J20-19 Tickenham Hill**

Information received Skanska, behalf of Highways England, were carrying out works on the M5 northbound between junctions 20-19. It will involve repairs to the drainage system and also resurfacing of the carriageway to rectify issues with standing water. **Noted**

**16/09 North Somerset Free Flowers 2016**

Invitation to all Parish, Town Councils and Community Groups to submit requests for free annual flowers for summer 2016. The annual summer flowers for this year are:

Petunias mixed, Begonias, French Marigolds, Gazanias mixed, Geraniums

**Resolved:** 1. To request the limit per organisation; 2,000 mixture of all the above.

2. Cllr Quinn will organise collection, also put an item in the News & Views.

**16/10 North Somerset ALCA Training**

Information on the Avon Local Council Association's range of courses for Town and Parish Councillors who are new to their roles or those who wish to refresh their skills and knowledge. The courses address the core themes/roles and responsibilities that are based in law and underpin process, procedure and good practice. **Noted**

**16/11 Royal Garden Party 2016**

Lord Chamberlain's office advised member councils that Her Majesty will be hosting a Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace on Tuesday, 10th May 2016. ALCA can allocate invitations to two Local Councils to send two representatives.

**Resolved:** To put forward Cllrs Naish and Quinn's names.

**16/12 New Year 2017 Honours**

The Parish Council received and **noted** information on the honours system to recognise peoples' contributions to the Big Society, including volunteering in the community; voluntary and private provision of public service; philanthropy; growing the economy through entrepreneurship, benefiting society through the application of technology.

**Community empowerment** – community leaders and people who have mobilised their community and put power into people's hands; eg leading community campaigns, fundraising for, taking ownership of community assets such as sports centres, meeting places and pubs.

**Public service reform** – those in public services who have established improved ways of delivering public services; eg setting up an employee owned mutual; parents who have come together to set up a free school.

**Social action** – people volunteering in their local communities, offering up their skills, time and expertise to local charities, community groups and neighbours; philanthropists who are making a difference to our society.

**Planning Items**

**16/13 Report of the Planning Committee Meeting – 14 December 2015**

Cllr Quinn reported on the minutes of the meeting, which members received and **noted**.

**16/14 NSC Planning Decisions & Delegated Reports**

The decisions on the following applications had been received; both applications had been granted approval:

15/P/2611/F Edwards Limited, Kenn Business Park, Barns Ground, Kenn, BS21 6TH

15/P/2542/F Avon & Somerset Constabulary, Hand Equestrian Centre, Davis Lane, Kenn

**16/15 Planning Applications**

15/P/2892/F Tiberius, Barns Ground, Kenn – Change of use from industrial use to B8  
 15/P/2893/F Tiberius, Barns Ground, Kenn, BS21 6ST – Subdivision of existing unit to create 2 separate units and associated external alterations.

There was a discussion on concerns about a reduction in jobs but more lorry movements.  
**Resolved:** No objections to both these application.

**Urgent Item:** 16/P/0026/EIA1 Land off Kenn Road, South of Colehouse Lane, Kenn  
 Screening options, whether an Environmental Impact Assessment is required to be submitted with a planning application for a proposal for up to 220 dwellings and approx. 1ha of employment (B1,B2&B8), associated access, foul pumping station, open space/landscaping. NSC had advised this was not a planning application.

**Resolved:** To reiterated to NSC Kenn Parish Council's expressed wish to be involved fully in any proposals for this land; eg site meetings, consultations etc (as the land is within Kenn's parish boundary and not Clevedon's).

**16/16 Tree Preservation Order – Walnut Tree House, Duck Lane, Kenn**

Details of the preservation order made under the Town & Country Planning Regulations 2012 had been provided by NSC. **Noted**

**Poplar on The Green** – a discussion took place on the condition of this tree. The Tree Warden reported it is annually given a check by NSC for condition and safety but she would advise the Tree Officers of the concerns when they make their next visit.

**16/17 Neighbourhood Plans (min 15/162)**

The Clerk reported a member of the NSC team, who work with Parish Councils on Neighbourhood Plans, had replied providing dates she would be able to attend a meeting.

**Agreed:** Members would be able to attend on the dates suggested; 25 or 26 January.

**16/18 NSC Enforcement Updates** – details provided and noted.

An enquiry was made about the use of a property on Duck Lane.

**Agreed:** to continue to monitor the situation on this site.

Case No. 2011/0756 NSC Cllr Iles advised she would make some enquiries relating to Warren's, also about the recently issued Council Tax bills and the outcome of discussions on residents' queries.

**16/19 Consultation – New Village Hall for Congresbury, Community Right to Build Order**

This is being progressed through a new type of plan called a Community Right to Build Order, where the community draw up plans and instead of them being considered by North Somerset Council through a planning application, they are scrutinised by an independent examiner. The examiner looks to see if the proposals are in line with national and local planning policies and promote sustainable development. They must have been developed with the involvement of the local community. Comment by 12 February.

**Resolved:** No comments

**Accounts & Finance Items**

**16/20 Payment of Accounts & Budget Control** Members reviewed details in the Clerk's report.

**Resolved:** To approve the accounts for payment as detailed.

**16/21 Assets Review (min 15/172)** regularly write down existing asset sums buy 15% but adjust the Insurance figure to a replacement figure.

**16/22 Information** received and **noted;** (1) Referendum Principles on Precepts 2016/17 (2) The future of Audit Services for smaller Councils (3) Procurement Toolkit provided by NALC (National Association of Local Councils)

**URGENT ITEMS:** (1) Flood Meeting: update provided that the seawall works had been completed. (2) Footpath by garage: requires repairing, advise the highways dept.

APPROVED AS A TRUE RECORD

**Signed by the Chairman** .....

**Date**.....