

Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 27th November 2017 at 8pm
Belle Friday Centre, London Road, Teynham

Present: Cllrs Powell (Chair), Morgan, Miller, Delaney, Dawes, Bowen (SBC)
Bowles (KCC) M Mulley (Clerk)
Cllr Prescott arrived at 8.05

Meeting commenced at 8.00pm

1. Apologies for absence. - None

2. Declaration of Interest – None

3. Time for members of the public to address the Council - None

4. To confirm minutes of meeting on Monday 30th October 2017

Minutes agreed as correct Proposed JM Seconded LM

5. Matters arising from previous minutes None

6. Finance a) Receipts None

Current account bank statement and a bank rec were presented and agreed as correct and signed off by Chairman

The Clerk was still waiting for confirmation from Lloyds that the new signatories had been added to the account.

b) Payments

£100.00	1073	Victim Support-Donation
£90.00	1074	Streetlight-Lighting Maintenance
£600.00	1075	J Foulcer-Replacement Laptop
£385.17	DD	EDF
£672.00	SO	Clerks Wages - Nov 17

The Clerk had applied for a grant to replace the LKPC laptop and hoped to get a £550 grant which would cover most of the £600 cost of replacing the defunct laptop.

Cllr Prescott joined the meeting

It was agreed to give Age UK £200 for hall hire and Lynsted PCC £1,000 for the upkeep of the churchyard extension. Proposed DP seconded LM

c) Budget 2018/2019 Revised draft budget figures were presented by The Clerk. After discussion the figures were agreed and the budgets were set for 2018/2019 Proposed DP seconded KP

c) Precept 2018/2019 Once the budget figures had been discussed and set it was decided to leave the precept for 2018/2019 at £17,049.00. Proposed DP seconded KP

d) Lynsted & Norton School-Donation request

Cllr Prescott explained to the members that the school had to purchase iPads as opposed to a cheaper version because the school had just had a new IT system installed which was compatible with iPads as opposed to other tablets. Some members of the PC still felt it was not the PC's role to fund the core education requirements in such a direct fashion. The school now had a new trouble shooting head teacher whom it was hoped would soon get the school back on track. Teachers had already been supplied with new laptops and a new Wi-Fi system had been installed. It was agreed that because most of the pupils attending the school did live in the LKPC parish then some funding should be given as it would be to the parishioners benefit. After discussion it was agreed to give £1,000 to the school, with the express understanding that the money had to be ring fenced solely for the purchase of iPads. Proposed KP seconded JM

7) Projects

Kingsdown & Lynsted Lane 30mph restrictions – discussed before budget/precept figures set.

The Clerk had received an email from Ian Grigor at KCC confirming that the cost for painting 8 letters on the road 2800mm high (SLOW twice) and the traffic management required at either end of Kingsdown Road would be £269.00 It was agreed to have this work carried out. Clerk to inform Ian Grigor. Proposed LM seconded PD

Regarding the flashing speed lights, there was mixed feeling amongst the Councillors, some were in favour and some felt the lights would not be effective and cluttered up the countryside. The Clerk was still waiting for a reply from KCC regarding a second quotation for the flashing signs. After discussion it was agreed to see if the painted 'SLOW' signs on the road improved the speed of traffic through the village, possibly canvassing the villagers after the road signs had been painted to ask their opinion before spending such a large amount of money on the flashing sign project. Proposed PD seconded KP

Cllr Bowen left meeting at 8.25pm (before budget/precept details were discussed)

8. Planning.

It was decided that no special planning meeting was required for the following application discussed via email

17/505614/TCA –Conservation area notification to no 1 Purple Plum Tree-Crown lifting at 6'. St Peters Place, Lynsted Lane. Lynsted. **No adverse comments**

The Clerk had received a quotation from a local tree surgeon to carry out this work and had also asked the LKPC tree warden to supply a quotation. DP was awaiting a quotation from a local pruner. **Agenda item next meeting**

9. Correspondence

KCC-here for you, how did we do local account for local care April 2015-March 2016-Duly noted. KP took to read.

10. Consultations None

11. Complaints – None

12. AOB

DP requested The Clerk contacted BT regarding the derelict phone box situated by the bus stop on Lynsted Lane.

The Clerk was asked to contact the local PCSO regarding the camper van that had been parked on Lynsted Lane for over a year without moving. She was also asked to talk to the local PCSO about two vans parked opposite the junction of Cambridge Lane making it dangerous pulling out onto Lynsted Lane.

It was suggested that painting double yellow lines at this section of Lynsted Lane might help the situation, therefore Clerk to contact waiting restrictions (Michael Knowles at SBC) to ask if this were possible.

DP gave a short account of the Community transport in Kent day he had attended. There was a community transport scheme in Kent which if required could be set up. Further information available from KCC for anyone interested.

LM informed the members that there would be Community Christmas carols around the Christmas tree on the green at St Peters Place on Friday 22nd December at 6.30pm

KP informed the members that Lynsted school internet connection was very poor and wanted to know if LKPC knew of any improvements that could be made that the whole village could benefit from. Cllr Bowles suggested that George Chandler from KCC would be the expert to whom to talk and Mr Chandler could possibly come and talk to the PC and advise on any improvements that could be undertaken.

Cllr Bowles informed the members that he would be going into hospital on 14/12/17 for a knee replacement operation. The members wished him well with his surgery and hoped he made a speedy recovery.

13. Date of next meetings

Monday 11th December 2017

2018 meeting dates agreed as follows

Monday 29th January 2018 Monday 19th February 2018

Monday 26th March 2018 Monday 16th April 2018

Monday 21st May 2018-AGM; Annual Parish & Monthly Parish meeting

Monday 25th June 2018 Monday 30th July 2018

Monday 24th September 2018

Monday 29th October 2018-Budget/precept meeting

Monday 26th November 2018-Budget/precept meeting

Monday 17th December 2018

14. Standards meeting – If necessary

Meeting closed at 9.35pm Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley