

Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 11th December 2017 at 8pm
Belle Friday Centre, London Road, Teynham

Present: Cllrs Powell (Chair), Morgan, Miller, Delaney, Dawes, Prescott & M Mulley (Clerk)
Cllr Miller arrived at 8.10

Meeting commenced at 8.00pm

1. Apologies for absence. – Cllrs Bowles (KCC) Bowen (SBC) & Whiting (SBC)

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 27th November 2017

Minutes agreed as correct Proposed KP Seconded LM

5. Matters arising from previous minutes

Vehicles parked on Lynsted Lane

The Clerk informed the members that she had been in touch with Lorraine Holmes the local PCSO regarding the vehicles parked at the junction of Cambridge Lane. She was aware of the problem and had spoken to the owners of the vehicles and would monitor the situation. The motorhome obstructing Lynsted Lane had now been removed.

Update from Cllr Whiting (SBC)

The Clerk informed the members of an update on local matter received from Cllr Whiting.

The traffic calming measures being looked at by KCC Highways for the A2 were

- a) Creating a 40mph zone from Nouds Lane to Cellar Hill
- b) Creating traffic islands on the A2 between Cellar Hill and Station Road
- c) Using white hatching to restrict the width of the road coming over the hill westbound at Cellar Hill to help slow the traffic.

The suggestions of a Box junction at Lynsted Lane/A2 junction and railings being erected outside the Co-op were not taken up.

Illegal encampments

Cllrs Whiting & Bowen would continue to press SBC to take meaningful enforcement action against illegal caravan sites, particularly in AONB areas.

Local Plan

SBC has been ordered by the planning inspector to review its local plan within the next 5 years. Cllr Whiting has requested that SBC maintain the areas north of the M2 that are currently listed and re-adopts them in the new local plan. The areas south of the M2 are covered by AONB legislation.

Broadband in Lynsted

The Clerk had contacted George Chandler at KCC regarding the poor broadband connection in Lynsted. Mr. Chandler informed her that KCC were aware of this situation and it was hoped that a new street cabinet would be installed by BT Open Reach by the end of 2018 which should greatly improve the situation. However one of the LKPC Councillors had been informed by a sub-contractor for BT Open Reach that there were no plans for any improvements to be carried out until 2022. **Action point** Clerk to contact Mr. Chandler again and ask him if this were correct.

6. Finance

a) Receipts

The Clerk had received a cheque for £550.00 from the Transparency Funding for the replacement laptop which had now been purchased.

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

Receipts and payment account to date details were handed out.

Cllr Delaney had still to verify his details at a local Lloyds bank, once this was done the new signatories could be added to the account.

b) Payments

£200.00	1076	Age UK-Donation for Hall usage
£1000.00	1077	Lynsted PCC-Donation for graveyard ex upkeep
£269.00	1078	KCC Highways-Kingsdown Road Signage
£1000.00	1079	Lynsted School-Donation towards iPads

c) Tree pruning

After a brief discussion it was agreed to accept the quotation for £20 from a local contractor to prune the purple plum on the green at St Peters Place once permission had been received from SBC.

7) Projects Kingsdown & Lynsted Lane 30mph restrictions

The Clerk had received an email from a resident of Kingsdown village and given him an update on the progress of the new signage for the village. He had agreed to give her feedback on the situation once the signs had been in situ for a while and the villagers had had time to monitor if the signs had made any difference.

8. Planning.

17/506061/TPO 1 x Rowan tree, pruning to remove top 3 meters of growth.

Rowan Cottage, Ludgate Lane. Lynsted. Sittingbourne. Kent **No Adverse Comments**

9. Correspondence None

10. Consultations None

11. Complaints – None

12. AOB

Cllr Prescott requested that the Millennium Hedge be cut back.

Cllr Prescott informed the members that the salt bag at the end on Cambridge Lane had been removed and requested for another bag to be delivered.

Cllr Powell requested that the contact details of the Councillors be circulated to all the Councillors on LKPC for use in case of emergency only. All present agreed to allow their phone numbers to be circulated. **Action point** Clerk to circulate a contact list via email.

A discussion took place regarding the placement of garbage bins along Lynsted Lane & Cambridge Lane. It was decided to ask SBC to place bins at strategic positions along the two lanes. Clerk to bring maps of the footpaths to next meeting to identify the best places to site the bins. **Agenda Item next meeting**

13. Date of next meetings

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 8.50pm Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley