

Minutes of the Meeting of Somerford Keynes Parish Council 4th August 2014

Present: Cllrs S.Powell (Chair), Brailey, T.de Bertodano, M.McKeown, R.Munroe, R.Sleeman, Mrs M.Watkins (Clerk) and three members of the public.

Apologies: Cllr Mogridge and CDC Cllrs Layton and Bennett

Declarations of Interest: Cllr McKeown on LME and Cllr Munroe on Manningford

1. Minutes of the meeting held on 7th July 2014 were read, approved and signed. Prop RM seconded RS.

2. Business remaining

2.1 **CDC Local Plan** On going

2.2 **Lake 31.** See under Planning

2.3 **Lake 99** The sub-committee has a meeting on site on Thursday of this week to review further work.

2.4 **LME** Will Vicary has provided a timetable for the works involved with the new entrance. He is waiting for permission from GCC Highways before the missing piece of the cycle path can be installed. Clerk to write to Richard Gray of Highways to ensure the window of opportunity to complete the cycle way is not lost

2.5 **Defibrillator** The AED has been installed and is now operational, though the door lock is occasionally sticky. The AED in SK is on the Ambulance rota, so is available for emergency use.

Donations from villagers, totalling £350 have been received, so the whole cost is now covered. Clerk to write letters of thanks. Community Awareness Training is scheduled for 18th September. The next newsletter will ask residents to come forward if they are CPR trained. The Parish Council will look at the best ways to development a 'first responder' system.

2.6 **Cullimore application** A meeting was held, attended by the Parish Council, Jason Betty of GCC and Richard Mitchener of consultants Atkins, to discuss the proposed water management during and after gravel extraction by Cullimore in Spratsgate Lane. Mr Betty gave assurances that once the plan had been thoroughly examined by Atkins it would go back to GCC Planning committee for their final approval. The meeting enabled the PC to share local information and concerns and to show Mr Mitchener the locations relevant to the plan. It was felt by all to be beneficial. SP to send response to report to GCC

2.7 **Neighbourhood Plans** Three consultation events have been held to enable as many parishioners as wished to see the aims of the NDP. 62 attended across the 3 meetings. LME now has a representative, Terry Joy, to disseminate information to its residents

2.8 **Emergency Plan.** On-going.

2.9 **Flooding** See 2.10

2.10 **Insurance** It was agreed that the details about the new flood risk maps should be put in the next newsletter.

2.11 **WILD Project** Laurence King of CDC contacted Jenny Phelps of WILD to see if help could be offered to Macks Farm in clearing their ditches. It is understood that work has taken place.

2.12. **Minerals Local Plan** RS expressed concern that the new proposed Minerals Local Plan waters down the protection offered by Settlement Protection zones. He is worried that the relevant sections are buried deep in the document and is to ask Jill Bewley of CWPT if she could circulate his letter to all WP parishes to alert them and to encourage them to comment. RS to draft response from SKPC.

3. Planning Applications

14/02326/FUL Retrospective application for erection of wake board course, with two towers and portable office building: The application is to go to committee on August 13th. Clerk to ask KM if she is able to attend and speak on behalf of SKPC

14/02927/FUL Old Bakery Water Lane: replacement Orangery. No objection

4. Financial Matters.

As previously agreed payments have been made as follows:

Infozyme (Defibrillator cabinet plus Training) £966.00

M.Bevan (Electrical supply to cabinet etc) £192.00

The following payment was proposed by TdeB and seconded byRS:

Display Boards for NDP £361.20 inc VAT (£60.20)

6 Questions

Neigh Bridge car park. This is currently being resurfaced, after which it will become a pay-and-display car park. Concern was expressed about the implications of this on the local neighbourhood, where even more cars will be parked in dangerous and difficult locations to avoid paying. Clerk to express strong feelings about the lack of consultation by the Trust about a matter that will impact the Parish.

RM asked about the Finger Post to the Church. Clerk confirmed she had asked GCC Highways but would send a reminder.

SP is most unhappy about the state of Cokes Pit hedges and ditches which have overhanging branches and are full of weed. No maintenance has been carried out by Rangers. Clerk to include this in an email to Matthew Millett.

A newsletter is to be drafted to include: defibrillator, Neighbridge, insurance update, Lake 99, the Spine Road cycle path and news of the NDP

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.05pm

The next monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday September 1st at 7.30p.m.in the Village Hall