

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Somerford Keynes Parish Council 3rd October 2016

Present: Cllr S.Powell (Chair). M. McKeown, R. Munroe, K.Mogridge, R. Sleeman, M. Watkins (Clerk), CDC Cllr Berry and 3 members of the public.

1. **Apologies:** JB

2. **Declaration of interest:** M.McKeown on LME

3. **Minutes** of the meeting held on 5th September 2016 were approved and signed. Proposed RS, seconded RM

4. Business remaining

4.1 Village Lake (L99)

KM is to contact Green Attitude and arrange the installation of the remaining tables and benches, and get a quotation for an end of season grass cut.

RS has incorporated councillors' suggestions into the draft terms of Village Lake Management Committee. The Management Committee will consist of a minimum of three plus one member of PC. Cllr Rigby volunteered to fill this position.

4.2 **LME Cycleway.** SP has confirmed PC agreement of the proposals for the Neigh Bridge-Spine Road junction and asked whether there was any news of a replacement red sign at Chestnuts and a timetable for work on the Cyclepath. Clerk to investigate.

4.3 **Neighbourhood Development Plan** The analysis of responses to the pre-submission consultation had been circulated to Members. SP/RM had met with GRCC to discuss our responses. It was proposed that GCC should be contacted by email to clarify some elements of their helpful comments. In addition a meeting was to be requested with CDC to discuss their comments and seek clarification and guidance on possible amendments

4.4 **CDC Local Plan.** CDC Cllr Berry said that it was still envisaged that the draft Local Plan will go to Cabinet in October.

4.5 **Cullimore.** PC has objected to the proposed increase in traffic movements as have a number of others.

4.6 **Emergency Plan** A final meeting is to be held with Peter Metz at LME on October 16th and the Plan will be presented to PC at the November meeting.

4.7 **Flooding** Clerk to ask Laurence King for details and timetable of the installation of a culvert at junction of Spratsgate Lane and Spine Road.

4.8 **GCC Highways** Clerk to ask Highways whether the new signage at Shorncote junction together with a replacement for the missing red LME sign is imminent.

4.9 **Cotswold Water Park Trust/Waterland** Clerk to send invoice for Parish Field. Clarification of lease is still ongoing.

5. Correspondence.

5.1 **Gigaclear** meeting held in Kemble was attended by MMcK who reported that the company had been awarded the contract for the second phase of Fastershire, which involved delivering high speed fibre broadband to areas missed in the first phase. This would have the effect that small communities like Poole Keynes, would have faster broadband than its larger neighbours. However, it was suggested that village residents can receive this new service if there insufficient interest. The installation cost for the Gigaclear service is a minimum of £100 per household. Further information is to be included in the next newsletter.

5.2 **Proposed Borehole** at LME. Residents have been asked to inform Peter Brett and Co if they have wells or boreholes on their properties. No comment from PC until an application is received.

5.3 **GCC Minerals Local Plan** is available for consultation from 9th September for approx 2 months. RS said that there are no new areas of search to the west of A419, but he was concerned that buffer zones around villages appear to have been removed totally which gave rise to some concern. Also included in the Plan are concerns about damage caused by gravel lorries to verges etc in rural areas with narrow roads, and advice that when quarries were completed and clay lined, there should be gaps in the clay lining to allow water to filter down to the aquifers.

7. Financial Matters.

Clerk's salary for August and September - £173.77

HMRC - £43.40

Prop RS seconded RM

8. Questions

MR asked what was the protocol for cascading information by Neighbourhood Watch. It was confirmed that Terry Whelan is the main co-ordinator and he distributes information to the area co-ordinators.

Items for Newsletter. Gigaclear, Scam Phone calls, pedlars in village and overhanging hedges,

AGM of CWPT. RS attended and reported that all parishes in CWP expressed a need to have information more frequently so it was agreed to have another Liaison meeting in January.

Cotswold Community. Wiltshire is still considering the both the applications for gravel extraction and housing.

PRoW at KCP. SP to write to GCC Shaun Parsons to ask him to press for the PRoW to be implemented without further ado, it having been pending for around 10 years, Matthew Millett of CWPT has said he will support the application.

Spine Road speed limits. Clerk to ask SCPC/Juliet Layton about progress on making the whole length of the Spine Road have a cohesive speed limit.

Future of PC. RM stressed his continued reluctance to ever be Chair of PC knowing that Cllr Powell intends standing down next year.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.55 p.m. but continued in private session.

The next monthly meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 7th November 2016 at 7.30p.m in the Village Hall.