

KINGS WALDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Kings Walden Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Breachwood Green on Tuesday 16th July 2019 at 7.45 pm

Present: Councillors: Amanda King, David Bennett, Joe Graziano, Liz Thurlby, Paul Harman

Mr Greg Woolner and the clerk, Tom Brindley.

- 2.1 (Agenda 1) To consider Apologies for Absence.** Jon Chamberlin - Haymaking.
- 2.2 (Agenda 2) Chairman's remarks.**
 1. Members were reminded of the council's code of conduct.
- 2.3 (Agenda 3) Public participation.**
 1. Mr Greg Woolner updated council on the plans for BreachFest including traffic management. Members agreed to the use of the recreation ground for car parking.
- 2.4 (Agenda 4) To adopt the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 18th June 2019.** The minutes were adopted and signed by the chairman.
- 2.5 (Agenda 5) Matters arising from May meeting not appearing on the agenda.**
 1. Pre-school awning. The preferred awning was no longer available. The clerk agreed to investigate options. It was noted the pre-school had would be closed until September.
 2. It was reported that a member of the public had repaired the zip-wire bench (which had been due to be removed). The replacement bench would now be sited by the basketball court.
 3. The clerk had received information about a company specialising in Parish Council websites.
- 2.6 (Agenda 6) Co-option of two members.**
 1. No applications received.
 2. A flyer had been distributed with the Breachwood Times.
- 2.7 (Agenda 7) Action List**
 1. Members reviewed the clerk's action list.
 2. An action on repairs to bus shelters was added. Members to prepare a risk and method statement prior to making repairs.
- 2.8 (Agenda 8) Grant Applications: None.**
- 2.9 (Agenda 9) Finance.**
 1. The clerk presented the first quarter financial report.
 2. Payments. A list of discretionary and contractual payments was issued (See annex attached). Payments valued at £13,615.90 were approved.
- 2.10 (Agenda 10) Planning**
 1. To receive planning applications. None
 2. To note decisions and appeals. Lawful Development Certificate for detached garage at The Spinney. Refused.
 3. North Hertfordshire Local Plan. The inspector has asked for additional justification regarding:
 - a. Green Belt land east of Luton and west of Stevenage. NHDC had upgraded the impact from minor and so needed to justify the 'Very Special Circumstances' required to remove land from Green Belt and permit development.
 - b. housing numbers following a reduction of projected housing needs by the ONS.
 - c. provision for unmet needs in Luton as the quoted housing market areas may be misaligned.
- 2.11 (Agenda 11) Use of public roads for a rally**
 1. Members had received notice that a company had applied to Herts County Council to use some roads in the parish for a rally in 2020. The proposal was at an early stage and would likely be held on closed roads. After debate members RESOLVED to support the proposal in principle, subject to detailed plans with risk and method statements.

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2.12 (Agenda 12) Luton Airport

1. Cllr Thurlby had written to Nicole Morris asking for the noise monitor report.
2. Cllr Graziano was still pursuing a meeting with the leader of Luton Borough Council.

2.13 (Agenda 13) Play Area

1. Fence work is complete.
2. A quotation had been received for replacement slats for a damaged bench in the MUGA at £50 per slat. Members agreed to purchase two slates.

2.14 (Agenda 14) Highways

1. A site meeting had been arranged with Graham Bury HCC. County Councillor David Barnard, Cllr J Graziano and the clerk confirmed attendance.
2. Members raised an issue with weeds growing through the pavement making it unpassable. To be raised with Graham Bury.
3. Hedges were blocking the pavement outside houses in Darley Road. The clerk asked to write to residents and raise with county highways.
4. Cllr Thurlby issued a list of footpaths. Members advised some minor corrections. The clerk to issue the list and publish on the website.
5. Cllr Thurlby furnished copies of email correspondence with Andrew Burton, HCC Countryside Rights of Way, regarding verges cut by the county.
6. Several footpaths were blocked by crops. The clerk to write to Pilkington estate. Cllr Thurlby to raise the issue with the County Highways Officer.
7. Members noted they were making use of the interactive online map provided by North Herts District Council.

2.15 (Agenda 15) Urgent items relating to the Youth Club, Play Area and Open Spaces, Highways and Village Hall.

1. Cllr Paul Harman had attended the Village Hall Committee AGM. He advised the Village Hall Committee would support the installation of a projector and screen if funded by the council.
2. Cllr Graziano advised that DriveSafe was suspended for the summer.
3. Disposal of gardening equipment. An offer had been accepted for the last two items a blower and a mower.

2.16 (Agenda 16) Correspondence. All had been distributed prior to the meeting.

2.17 (Agenda 17) Matters for future consideration.

1. Members suggested the council look at issuing a village directory.

The meeting closed at 10.00 p.m.

Next Meetings:

Parish Council: Tuesday 17th September 2019

Signed Chairman _____ Date _____

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Status	Power	Date	Payee	Description	Chq #	C	Total	Net
+	5	15/07/2019	HMRC	PAYE	FPO		32.00	32.00
+	2	15/07/2019	R Dawes	Grounds maintenance	FPO		250.00	208.33
+	4	15/07/2019	Todeka	Admin			90.00	75.00
	2	16/07/2019	Secure-A-Field	Play Area Fence			15607.17	13005.97
	2	16/07/2019	PlayDale	Play Area Logs			176.52	147.10
+	5	15/07/2019	DCK	Payroll admin			49.80	41.50
	4	16/07/2019	Breachwood Times	Advert			6.00	6.00
	2	16/07/2019	Play Innovation	Slats			120.00	100.00
							16,331.49	13,615.90

Powers:

- 1 Grass cutting: Open Spaces Act 1906 s.10
- 2 Play area/Glebe land: LG (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s.19
- 3 HAPTC membership: LGA 1972 s.143
- 4 Audit, Insurance, Training: LGA 1972 s.111
- 5 Salary/expenses: LGA 1972 s.112(2)