

KINGS WALDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Kings Walden Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Breachwood Green on Tuesday 19th November 2019 at 7.45 pm

Present: Councillors: Amanda King, David Bennett, Joe Graziano, Paul Harman, Jon Chamberlin
District Cllr Claire Strong, Mr Andrew Mills-Baker, three members of the public and the clerk, Tom Brindley.

6.1 (Agenda 1) To consider Apologies for Absence. Members accepted apologies from Cllr Liz Thurlby.

6.2 (Agenda 2) Chairman's remarks. Members were reminded of the council's code of conduct.

6.3 (Agenda 3) Public Participation.

District Councillor Claire Strong addressed the council.

- a. Local Plan: The district council will send a letter in response to the inspector's comments on 29th November.
- b. Cllr Strong had written to the portfolio holder for waste regarding the requested visit to Cumberlow Green food composting site.
- c. The Southern Rural Area Committee had grant money available to independent organisations (the parish council is excluded).

6.4 (Agenda 4) To adopt the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 18th October 2019. The minutes were adopted and the chairman was authorised to sign.

6.5 (Agenda 5) Matters arising from October meeting not appearing on the agenda.

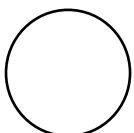
1. The youth club windows will be replaced in January.
2. The defibrillator has been installed in Ley Green.
3. The clerk has requested a quote to reverse the lockable gate to the play area.

6.6 (Agenda 6) Christmas Tree

1. The clerk tabled a report on options for Christmas trees.
2. Cllrs Graziano and Chamberlin tabled an alternative proposal to decorate existing trees at three sites in Breachwood Green.
3. Members RESOLVED to purchase lights and decorate three trees at: The Heath, Darley Road and the Village Hall.
4. Cllr Graziano offered to prepare a risk and method statement ahead of members erecting the lights.
5. Members RESOLVED to accept donations from local businesses towards the cost of the displays.

6.7 (Agenda 7) Luton Airport Expansion and LLACC Membership

1. Cllr Graziano tabled a report on meetings he and councillor Thurlby had held with representatives of the airport.
2. With members' agreement, Mr Andrew Mills-Baker addressed the council. Mr Mills-Baker advised council that the proposed expansion from 18 to 32 million passengers was itself larger than the capacity of any regional airport including Manchester.
3. Mr Mills-Baker requested that council responded to the airport's questionnaire.
4. Members delegated authority to the clerk to issue a response by the deadline of 16th December.
5. The clerk tabled the response from the chairman of London Luton Airport Consultative Committee on how the council could formally apply to join LLACC. Members noted that LLACC might not permit both the Breachwood Green Society and the Parish Council to have representation.
6. Members RESOLVED to apply to join LLACC with Cllr Thurlby as the representative and Cllr Graziano as substitute.
7. Members noted that placards from LADACAN had been screwed to the bus stops, village hall doors and youth hut doors causing damage. The clerk was instructed to write to the chairman of LADACAN expressing concern that these placards had been erected without permission.
8. Members requested the clerk contact neighbouring parish councils with a view to a more co-ordinated approach to airport affairs.



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6.8 (Agenda 8) Tree Survey

Members RESOLVED to accept a quote from Open Spaces Landscape Architects to survey the trees at the Breachwood Green Recreation ground.

6.9 (Agenda 9 Website)

1. The clerk tabled a paper showing several alternative hosting solutions. Members RESOLVED to move the hosting to Parish Websites Ltd.

6.10 (Agenda 10 Vacancies)

1. No applications received.

6.11 (Agenda 11) Finance

1. The clerk presented the draft 2020/21 budget report. Members requested additional expenditure on:
 - a. Ley Green Recreation ground: Picnic tables to be made moveable; planting of fruit trees and bulbs; brick BBQ; demountable marquee; improved play equipment; kissing gate replacement; repairs to main gate.
 - b. VE day 75 year celebrations
2. Payments totalling £972.90 were noted/approved, see attached schedule.

6.12 (Agenda 12) Planning

Members considered application (19/02660/FPH) Replacement outbuilding at Crown House, Ley Green. Members did not raise any objection.

6.13 (Agenda 13) Urgent matters concerning Youth Club, Village Hall, Play Area, Highways

The clerk was asked to obtain an update from Hertfordshire Highways on actions agreed in report of the meeting held on 26th July.

6.14 (Agenda 14) Correspondence

A newsletter from Council and Clerks Direct was circulated. All other correspondence previously addressed.

6.15 (Agenda 15) Matters for future consideration

None raised.

The meeting closed at 9.40 p.m.

Next Meetings: Parish Council, Tuesday 21st January 2020

Signed Chairman _____ Date _____

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Payments to 19th November 2019

Status /power	Date	Payee	Description	Total	Net	VAT	Parks Play Areas	Project	Staff	Admin	Youth Hut
+ 1	05/11/2019	R J Dawes	Parks	250.00	208.33	41.67	208.33				
+ 1	05/11/2019	JC Agriculture	Parks	319.20	266.00	53.20	266.00				
2	11/11/2019	Chubb	Youth Hut	104.14	86.79	17.35					86.79
8	17/11/2019	McNeilly	Defibrillator	180.00	150.00	30.00		150.00			
4	18/11/2019	Todeka	Office Svc	90.00	75.00	15.00				75.00	
2	18/11/2019	Village Hall	Parking	100.00	100.00	0.00				100.00	
5	19/11/2019	T Brindley	Admin	48.91	45.28	3.63	15.30		29.98		
5	19/11/2019	DCK	Admin	49.80	41.50	8.30				41.50	
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				1,142.05	972.90	169.15	489.63	150.00	29.98	216.50	86.79

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)
- 6 Other, Localism Act 2011
- 7 S137: LGA 1972 s137
- 8 Public Health Act 1936, s234