Minutes of the Meeting of Kingscote Parish Council Held 28th June 2022, Village Hall Kingscote

Members present: - CIIrs T Wooldridge (Chair), B Calland (Vice Chair), S Cooper, G Nichols Glos County CIIr - CIIr S Hirst

June 22/01. Apologies for Absence

Cllr R Gale, Mrs. Elizabeth Oakley (Clerk)

June 22/02. Declarations of Interest under the Localism Act 2011

None

June 22/03. Public Participation

John Giddings raised the issue of the potholes on Barnhill Lane near Windy Corner. See under item June 22/16b.

June 22/04a. Reports from Gloucestershire County Councillor Cllr S Hirst

Cllr S Hirst reported that the County Council is launching the £600,000 Community Speed Watch Safety Fund in partnership with the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. This fund will provide communities with the tools they need to combat speeding in their area, helping to make our roads safer for everyone who uses them to walk, cycle, and drive. The Council will be funding Community Speed Watch cameras to help enforce speed limits, as well as vehicle activated signage and will be helping community groups by funding speed surveys, on site meetings with road safety officers, and providing wheelie bin signage. Parish and town councils are invited to apply for support under the Fund via their county councilor. Councillors agreed to invite comments from residents on whether the Parish Council should apply for support under the Fund.

June 22/04b. Reports from Cotswold District Councillor Cllr R Morgan

None

June 22/04c. Confirm Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 18th May 2022

It was noted that the draft minutes have been issued and published on the Parish Council's website and on the noticeboards.

June 22/05. Finance

Payment of accounts

- a) Jubilee tea contribution: £145.00 payment was agreed.
- b) GAPTC annual subscription: £71.19 payment was agreed.
- c) Clerk's May and June 2022 wages: £243.07 payment was agreed

The Council also noted the payment of £35.00 to the Information Commissioner on 14th October 2021.

June 22/06. Approval of Council's Accounts for Year Ending 31st March 2022

Decision: Agreed by all, the accounts were approved.

June 22/07. Approval of the Certificate of Exemption for 2021/22

Decision: Approved by all, the certificate was approved.

June 22/08. Approval of Section 1 Annual Governance Statement 2021/22

Decision: Approved by all, the Statement was approved.

June 22/09. Approval of Section 2 Accounting Statements 2021/22

Decision: Approved by all, the Statements were approved.

The Council noted the Notice of Public Rights dates of 1st July - 11th August 2022.

June 22/10. Review of the Internal Audit Progress Plan

It was noted that the Council has reviewed the plan.

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June 22/11. Approval of the Updated Financial Regulations

Decision: Approved by all, the updated regulations were approved.

June 22/12. Signature of the Updated Standing Orders

Cllr S Cooper, chair at the time the updated Standing Orders were approved by the Council, signed the document.

June 22/13. Review of the Community Emergency Plan

The Council discussed the need for a Community Emergency Plan. Councillors expressed the view that given the nature of the community and the way in which neighbours help each other, the Household Emergency Plans would be more useful.

Decision: The Council agreed that a Community Emergency Plan is not required at present.

June 22/14. Items to report

(Items can be discussed but members can make no decisions)

a/ Cllr G Nichols asked whether more of the roadside verges should be cut since the tall vegetation created a safety risk for road users.

b/ Cllr B Calland and a member of the public asked whether the potholes on Barnhill Lane near Windy Corner could be repaired. Cllr S Hirst agreed to visit Bagpath to look at the condition of the road running from the Postbox towards Scrubbets. Visit to be arranged at his convenience by Cllr Calland. Cllr G Nichols pointed out that the road in Hazlecote Valley out to the A46 was also in a poor state.

c/ Clir B Calland expressed concern about the safety of ash trees on Bagpath Common. She agreed to contact Sara Noons (acting Ash Dieback Officer) at GCC to emphasise the importance of timely action.

d/ Clir B Calland asked for replacement reflector posts along the bank of Bagpath Common. She agreed to send details of the location to Cllr S Hirst.

e/ Cllr B Calland had reviewed the Council's insurance policy. The cost has increased by £90 (10%) since last year but the phone box and clerk's laptop have recently been added. She queried whether the £300k cover for the village hall building was adequate. She will ask the Clerk to obtain a quote for increasing this cover by £100k.

The meeting closed at 9.30 pm

Signed My voldwelge Dated 4/10/22