

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KELSALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, CHESTER ROAD, KELSALL ON THE 14TH JULY 2008.

PRESENT: Cllr Leather (Chairman), Cllr Dutton, Cllr Gray, Cllr Mrs Cowell, Cllr Mrs Lacey, Cllr Lowden (part), Cllr Enticott (part), Cllr Castle (part).

IN ATTENDANCE: Chester City Councillor Deynem(part), Chester City Councillor Garman(part), 3 members of the public and a representative From the Chester Chronicle.

27/08 APOLOGIES:

Cheshire County Councillor Mrs Johnson, Cllr Mrs Sutton.

28/08 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

Members are invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interest in any item of business on the agenda or notes and if necessary, to leave the meeting prior to discussion on the item.

Cllr Mrs. Lacey declared an interest in planning application 08/01222/FUL

Cllr Gray and Cllr Dutton declared a non prejudicial interest in planning application 08/01146/FUL

Cllr Enticott declared an interest in planning applications 08/01146/FUL and 08/01172/FUL.

29/08 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 9TH JUNE 2008:

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th June 2008 be signed as a correct record.

30/08 KELSALL GREEN:

1. Mrs Edelman gave the following report:-

As you most likely know, WREN has awarded us £50,000 toward a toddlers play area for Kelsall Green. That brings the overall amount of funds raised to date for Kelsall Green to £77,134. This impressive sum has been achieved through a significant amount of hard work undertaken by a large number of people from across the parish – and outside the parish.

In order to reward the community for its remarkable efforts and maintain momentum and enthusiasm for the Kelsall Green effort, we would like to ensure we are able to move forward quickly in executing the WREN-funded project.

We would like to address all your questions or concerns in advance of the next Parish Council meeting and ask that any outstanding questions about the equipment or reservations about the purchase be addressed to Ian Lowden or John Leather before the next Kelsall Green Steering committee, which will take place on Monday, 4th August at the Community Centre at 7:30 p.m. If you have any reservations about your willingness to approve the scheme, we would ask that you address them with the recreation committee or attend the Steering Committee meeting to discuss it.

In order to serve the needs of a broader range of children, the Recreation Committee would like to supplement the proposed scheme with one piece of equipment that will serve the 6-12 age range. This will ensure that in combination with the MUGA, we will have provided something for children and young people of all ages on Kelsall Green. No small accomplishment in only one year!

In order to do this, we have added a tower system to the project cost. We have removed the three benches that were included in the WREN scheme because we believe we can achieve better value for money elsewhere. We are trying to avoid any other alterations to the toddler scheme, as we want to ensure that we deliver to WREN the project as they approved it. Please note that ANY change to the scheme will need to be approved by WREN.

Please note that the project costs approximate £6,000 more than *currently* is available to fund it. There are however, several fundraising efforts in progress to fill that gap, as detailed in the attached. We are confident that we can raise the additional money needed to fund this scheme over the next several months.

Cost of Scheme as Submitted to WREN	£57,169
Matching funds payable to WREN	+ £5,500
Total cost of Scheme as submitted to WREN	£62,669
Less Three Benches	-\$1,704
Plus Tower System (Approx)	+£15,000
Total Cost of Modified Scheme	£75,965
Available funds for Play Equipment	£69,834
Current Shortfall	£6,131

Please note that the fundraising campaign continues, with plans for events including a beer festival and a fashion show brewing for the autumn. In addition, letters are being written to banks and building societies with requests for support. One such letter written by Tim Grover has already resulted in a £500 donation. Outstanding applications for funds that can be applied to this scheme include:

- **Match Funds for School Fete** -- £500 requested
- **Match Funds for Village Institute Event** -- £500 requested
- **Chester City Council Play Funds** – £10,000 requested – have confirmed that we are likely to get a sum
- **Village Walk Funds**

Mrs Edelman was congratulated for her successful WREN bid and the Parish Council gave her their full backing to continue with the necessary administration needed to take the WREN application to its conclusion and to continue with Cllr Leather to be the appropriate signatories for the project.

Mrs Grover reported that the Design Working Group is now in the position to order the Toddler Timberplay equipment, this quote was submitted without negotiation and we intend to begin negotiations with Timberplay in the near future – therefore hopefully we expect a small reduction in the overall cost of the scheme.

It was agreed to allow Mrs Grover to negotiate either a free piece of equipment or a discount on the original price.

2. During the Kelsall Green Meeting held on the 7th July two points were raised, the first was for the need to extend the footpath which stops at the Bank Surgery all the way to the Morris Dancer car park, the second was for a proper surfaced footpath from the footpath entrance on Chester Road opposite the pharmacy to the existing footpath which runs through the land. A letter has also been received from a resident suggesting the need for a footpath.

It was agreed that the Clerk should request a meeting with the Parish Council, Cheshire County Councillor Johnson and a representative from Highways.

31/08 OPEN FORUM:

Members of the public are invited to speak for no more than 10 minutes to the Council.

1. Cllr Dutton said he had received a complaint from a member of the public about the neglect of a property on Chester Road which belongs to Persimmon homes. Cllr Dutton said he believed that if the owners of properties do not maintain it over a period of time the Council can take over the properties. Mrs Caney said this is also the case for a number of houses on Quarry lane which Persimmon failed to get planning permission on. It was agreed that the Clerk should report them to the City Council.

32/08 PLANNING:

1. Applications received to date:

08/01031/FUL Demolition of rear extension and construct new extension with Dormer accommodation, Sunny Bank, Chester Road, Kelsall.
No objection

08/01076/FUL Single storey side extension, two storey side extension, with Single storey extension to rear, Thornley House, Willington Lane, Kelsall.
No objection

08/01080/LBC Conversion of garage into dining room, 3 Hallowsgate Court, Kelsall.
Comment: Concerned about off the road parking if a precedence is set.

08/01101/FUL Single and two storey rear extension, The Anchorage, Chester Road, Kelsall.
No objection

08/01146/FUL Single storey front extension two storey rear extension and new retaining wall structure to form enlarge driveway, The Nook, Quarry Lane, Kelsall.
No objection

08/01172/FUL Kitchen and En-suite single storey extension, 17 Brooms Lane, Kelsall.
No objection

08/01222/FUL Retrospective application for extension of residential cartilage and Construction of summerhouse, Fircroft, Chester Road, Kelsall
Comment: Due to the on going dispute over the designation of this land the Parish Council feel it is not appropriate to make a comment.

2. Decision notices received to date:

08/00862/FUL Single storey front extension, Rosedale, Chester Road, Kelsall.
REFUSED

08/00935/FUL Alterations and extensions forming garden room, Dewsbury House, 31 Dutton Lane., Kelsall.
PERMISSION.

33/08 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS:

1. The new planning sub-committee for the coming month is Cllr Mrs Lacey and Cllr Mrs Cowell.
2. Chester City Council planning application 08/00917/FUL Extension to roof to form additional bedroom, 15 Longley Ave, Kelsall has been withdrawn.

3. Chester City Council planning application 07/00901/FUL construction of one dwelling, detached garage and creation of access and landscaping, land to rear of Springside and Quarry Croft, Quarry Lane Kelsall. The Inspector has been appointed to determine the above appeal at a hearing to be held on the 29th July starting at 10.00 am at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Chester.
4. Cllr Leather reported that he had been granted an extension for comments on the conservation areas.

34/08 CLERKS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

1. Cllr Gray suggested re-introducing the allotment competition but, rather than have Chester City Council judge it, ask the Kelsall Garden Club to recommend a person from outside the village.
It was agreed that this was a good idea and Cllr Gray was thanked for arranging a judge. The Clerk confirmed that the prize use to be a £10 gardening voucher. Cllr Dutton proposed an increase to £20 this was seconded by Cllr Mrs Cowell and agreed by the Parish Council.
2. Cllr Dutton informed the Parish Council that he had approached Shed City who had confirmed that the Street Cleaners shed at the rear of the parish rooms was beyond repair. Shed City said they could provide a new 6x4 shed for £330.00 with an extra large door. Cllr Dutton proposed we replace the shed, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs Cowell and agreed by the remaining parish councillors.

35/08 CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Sodexo informing the Parish Council that they will be changing their name to Sodexo as the letter 'h' has often been associated with the hotel and food service business, particularly in Europe.
2. Aon Parish Councils Insurance offering home insurance for Clerks.
3. Cheshire Community Action Community Pride Awards Evening to be held at Wilmslow Leisure Centre on Thursday 25th September at 7.00 pm.
Cllr Leather and Cllr Lowden will confirm to the Clerk if they are able to attend.

4. Ethics & Standards Committee on the 9th July 2008 at 4.00pm at Chester City Council.
5. Cheshire Police Authority have your say meeting to be held on the 15th July 2008 at the Lache Community Centre.

Publications received to date:

- ✓ Countryside Voice
- ✓ Clerks & Councils Direct
- ✓ Cheshire Matters
- ✓ Engage
- ✓ J Parker wholesale catalogue
- ✓ The Past Uncovered
- ✓ The Cheshire Historic Landscape Characterisation Project
- ✓ Cheshire Matters
- ✓ Cheshire West and Chester Making it Local

36/08 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT:

1. Cheshire County Council A51 High Street Clotton – Carriage Strengthening major road works from the 4th August 2008.
2. Cllr Mrs Lacey said that work vehicles on the former reliance site were continuing to park on Chester Road which was causing problems and could be dangerous. It was agreed that the Clerk will contact Cheshire County Councillor Johnson.

37/08 FINANCE REPORT:

1. The balance as at 14/07/08 Lloyds TSB Current Account:	£8564.93
Lloyds TSB Business Account:	£51,828.94
Bank of Ireland:	£10,752.51

2. Resolved:- That the following payments be made:

001722 St Philips Church PCC holiday club donation	£100.00
001723 United Utilities water allotments	£27.38
001724 United Utilities water parish rooms	£26.69
001725 United Utilities water April – June Kelsall Green	£47.13
001726 United Utilities water Nov – April Kelsall Green	£31.58
001727 Sodexo grass cutting	£251.66
001728 Sodexo grass cutting	£125.83
001729 Abbotswood Garden Services Kelsall maintenance	£86.00
001730 BT Payment Services Ltd phone charges	£85.75
001731 ScottishPower electricity parish rooms	£97.75
001732 Mrs N Read Clerks salary & expenses	£567.62
001733 Mr McKee street cleaning 9/6/08-11/7/08	£408.00
001734 Post Office Ltd PAYE & N.I	£171.18
001735 Kelsall Community Centre hire of room	£11.25
001736 J. Leather toner for KADRAS front cover	£213.85

3. The £4,500 from the Gowy North Area Committee for the fitting of the MUGA has now been paid into the Parish Councils accounts.

4. A finance meeting will be held at Highcroft, Dingle Lane on Wednesday 16th July 2008 to enable the finance committee to agree audit.

38/08 OTHER PARISH BUSINESS:

1. Cllr Enticott felt that Mr McKee needs a new street cleaning cart as his is in a poor state of repair. It was agreed the Clerk will contact Chester City Council.

39/08 CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC:

Legal issues to be discussed.

40/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

11th August 2008.

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