

MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF KELSALL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, CHESTER ROAD, KELSALL ON THE 10TH NOVEMBER 2008.

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Chester City Councillor Garman (part), One member of the public.

84/08 APOLOGIES:

Cllr Mrs Cowell, Cllr Mrs Sutton, Chester City Councillor Deynem, Cheshire County Councillor Johnson.

85/08 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

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

Cllr Enticott declared an interest in planning application No 08/01881/FUL

86/08 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 13TH OCTOBER 2008:

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 13th October 2008 be signed as a correct record.

87/08 MATTERS ARISING:

1. The new playground equipment has now been insured the additional premium comes to £362.82. (minute 74/08(2)).
The Clerk said she had insured each item and this also included delivery and installation costs.
2. Two new dog bins have been installed one is on the corner of Flat Lane and The Wynd opposite the school the second is on the grass bank on the junction of Quarry Lane and Chester Road. The other bins we requested will be installed soon. (minute 125/07(1))

88/08 KELSALL GREEN:

1. The playground was opened to the public on Wednesday 29th October. Members of the Recreation Committee have so far received very positive feedback. The official grand opening was held on Tuesday 4th November and was opened by the Lord Mayor of Chester.

2. It was reported to the Parish Council that someone keeps riding a horse on Kelsall Green.
The Clerk was asked to find out if County Footpaths have standard signs for both horses and motorised vehicles to go next to the footpath.

3. The Playground has now been monitored for over a week to see what problems with behaviour arise. Overall no major problems have been reported and parents have been very willing to speak to children who are misusing equipment or behaving in inappropriate ways. However it has been expressed by a number of adults that a sign stating the rules for example no bikes, no litter, no skateboards would be helpful; this is not only to serve as a warning to people but also to empower those parents who see wrongdoing and wish to challenge someone. Also a number restriction on the nest swing would be helpful.
It was agreed that a small sign may help with dealing with any type of inappropriate behaviour. It was also agreed that a weight limit or number limit sign is needed for the nest swing.

4. The Kelsall W. I. have recently raised £1000 for the Kelsall Green and the recreation committee would like to use the money to buy a picnic table and two benches for the playground area. The W.I are happy for the money to be spent on this. The old telegraph poles will be used to make benches for the teenage area which will be near the MUGA.

5. Cllr Gray suggested steps are cut into the mound leading up to the bridge to help prevent the grass getting worn away, which in turn makes the mound very slippery. It was agreed that this should be considered by the Recreation Committee.

6. Cllr Lowden has, due to work commitments, unfortunately had to step down as Chairman of the Recreation Committee. The Parish Council will seek a recommendation from the Committee as to who should succeed him, at its next meeting in January 2009. Cllr Leather congratulated Cllr Lowden on his success in starting the recreation area project, and offered his thanks.

7. Cllr Dutton reported that everything is now in place to start the ground work on the MUGA but unfortunately everyone is now waiting for the land to dry out. The Clerk will contact the Gowy North Area Committee to formally request the funds awarded to provide a light column be transferred to help towards the installation of the MUGA.

89/08 OPEN FORUM:

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

1. It was reported that a hedge was overhanging the footpath outside a house on Quarry Lane. Cllr Castle agreed to drop a letter in.

90/08 PLANNING:

1. Applications received to date:

08/01815/FUL Construction of new brewery building and office, Kelsall Pig Farm, Common Lane, Kelsall.

Comment: In favour of this application and would welcome a new business to Kelsall

08/01881/FUL Single Storey and two storey extension, Half Acre Barn, Quarry Lane, Kelsall.

Comment: Applaud the use of traditional materials to be used in this extension. Support this application.

2. Decision notices received to date:

08/01589/FUL Construction of a two storey house with garage, Greengates,
22 Old Coach Road, Kelsall.

PERMISSION

91/08 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS:

1. The new planning sub-committee for the coming month is Cllr Gray (foreman) and Cllr Leather.
2. Chester City Council Planning Board Meeting to be held on the 29th October 2008. The recommendation for planning applications 08/01543/FUL erection of weather station mast ten metres high for twelve months, OS field numbers 5732 and 6322, Longley Lane, Kelsall and 08/01589/FUL construction of two storey house with garage, Greengates, 22 Old Coach Road, Kelsall is permission.
The Clerk said she phoned the planning department as she had never received the application for the weather station. She was informed that it was not a Kelsall application but an Ashton Hayes one, however the Parish Council was sent a letter informing the Council of the application. The Clerk said she never received it. Cllr Enticott said he was certain the proposed mast was in Kelsall and not Ashton. Cllr Leather said he would speak to Ashton Parish Council, with Cllr Mrs Lacey and Cllr Enticott checking the boundary line.
3. Vale Royal Borough Council Draft Historic Built Environment Supplementary Planning Document Consultation.
4. Cheshire Association of Local Councils Planning Seminar to be held on the 25th November at the Fourways Inn, Chester Road, Delamere.
Cllr Leather and Cllr Dutton will attend Cllr Lacey and Cllr Castle will confirm if they are able to attend.

92/08 CLERKS AND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

1. Cllr Leather asked the Councillors to consider if it would be beneficial for the Parish Council to rejoin the Association of Town and Parish Councils.
The Parish Council agreed to defer the decision until May 2009.
2. Cllr Leather reported that he along with Cllr Dutton and Cllr Mrs Cowell had attended the recent Parish Partnership Reception held on the 29th October 2008.

93/08 CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Communities in Control: Real people, real power Codes of Conduct for local authority members and employees.
2. Chester City Council's Ethics and Standards Committee Annual Report 2007/08.
3. Cheshire County Council Habitats and Hilforts Landscape Partnership Scheme, 2008 -2011.
4. Vale Royal Borough Council Draft Strategic Land Availability Assessment Consultation.
5. Vale Royal Borough Council Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles Cheshire West and Chester Council.
6. Cheshire Community Action Annual General Meeting to be held on the 19th November at the Middlewich Community Church
7. Cheshire Police Authority have your say October newsletter.
8. Cheshire County Playing Fields Association Annual Report.

9. Cheshire Landscape Trust Tree Wardens Meeting to be held on the 25th November 2008 at the Northwich Memorial Hall.

Publications received to date:

- Ø The Past Uncovered
- Ø Countryside Voice.
- Ø Clerks & Councils Direct
- Ø Stop the Drop
- Ø Cheshire Matters
- Ø What's On
- Ø The Playing Field
- Ø The Acorn

94/08 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT:

1. Chester City Councillor Garman requested Kelsall carries out another SID speed exercise.
It was agreed that this should happen and Chester City Councillor Garman offered to make the necessary arrangements. The Clerk will request for future SID speed exercises an additional site near the end of Quarry Lane at the Willington Lane Junction.
2. The Clerk has contacted GB Road Markings who will provide a quote for the repainting of the Church Street car park.
The Clerk will contact Highways about the possibility of getting a no entry sign put at the exit of the car park.
3. Cllr Lowden said that he had read that Cheshire had recently been awarded a large Government Grant for integrated transport. Chester City Councillor Garman said he had not heard anything but would look into it.
4. Cllr Lowden said Arriva Trains Wales had recently changed their timetable for trains going into Manchester which would affect this area considerably at a time when congestion charges are being considered in Manchester.
5. Cllr Mrs Lacey said cars parking on the footpath on Carter Ave continues to be a problem. The Clerk will inform our local Police Constable.

95/08 FOOTPATHS:

1. An overhanging hedge has been reported blocking the footpath at No 27 Church Street.

96/08 FINANCE REPORT:

1. The balance as at 10/11/08
Lloyds TSB Current Account: £12,037.75
Lloyds TSB Business Account: £ 57,443.45
Bank of Ireland: £10,916.46

2. Resolved: That the following payments be made:

001773 Allianz Insurance plc playground equipment insurance premium	£362.82
001774 Ideal Gardens Turf for recreation area	£234.42
001775 Scottish Power electricity Parish Rooms	£75.98
001776 Timberplay playground equipment	£51,265.69
001777 Ringwood Fencing new gate on recreation area	£145.81
001778 Sodexo Land Technology grass cutting	£125.83
001779 DWF LLP Solicitors fees for Kelsall Green	£38.19
001780 Abbotswood Garden Services Kelsall maintenance	£86.00
001781Cancelled.....	
001782 J Leather Morris Dancer bill for Grand opening	£130.50
001783 Mrs N Read Clerks Salary & expenses	£581.31
001784 Mr McKee street cleaning 17/10/08-7/11/08	£326.40
001785 Post Office Ltd PAYE & N.I	£140.78
001786 Royal British Legion Remembrance wreath 7 Poppy Appeal	£50.00
001787 Ringwood Fencing stock fence for playground	£98.70
000029 (B of I) Timberplay playground equipment	£10,000.00

3. Completion of Annual Audit, the Parish Council has again received a clean audit report.
4. Permission was given to transfer £50,000.00 from the Lloyds TSB Business Account to the Lloyds TSB Current Account.

5. Awards for All have paid £10,000 into the Parish Council Accounts; this has been earmarked for the tower structure in phase two of the playground.

97/08 OTHER PARISH BUSINESS:

1. Cllr Castle reported that the paving stones around the War Memorial are in a poor state of repair. The Clerk will obtain two quotes.

98/08 CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PRESS AND PUBLIC:

1. Due to procedural information supplied by Chester City Councillor Garman the proposed closed session did not take place. The Clerk will seek further advice.

99/08 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

8th December 2008

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