

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF KINGTON LANGLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY 12th August 2024 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, KINGTON
LANGLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM**

Present: Cllr Armor, Cllr Harrison-Jones, Cllr Pattemore, Cllr Reynolds, Cllr. Sealy, Cllr Tayler, Cllr Watson. Mrs. Sue Hart (Clerk), Peter Giles (RFO) and County Councillor Greenman

Public Participation: 3 members of the public

053.24	Apologies for absence In Cllr Lawer's absence, the meeting was Chaired by Cllr Watson (Vice-Chair) Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Lawer (holiday) On a proposal from Cllr G Tayler, seconded by Cllr Reynolds, IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the councillor's apologies.
054.24	Declarations of Interest: In accordance with S31 of the Localism Act 2011 and the Parish Council's adopted Standing Orders – To receive declarations of any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in respect of any item contained in this Agenda. There were no declarations of interest.
055.24	Minutes – To approve minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 8th July 2024 On a proposal from Cllr Armor, seconded by Cllr Reynolds, IT WAS RESOLVED to accept the minutes as a true record.
056.24	Planning Applications – Clerk Notification by Planning Inspectorate of request for an Order granting Development Consent: EN010168 Lime Down Solar Park – Submission of EIA Scoping Report to the Planning Inspectorate - Notification and Consultation – For consideration by councillors (Deadline for comments: 14 Aug 24) As this notification was not a formal planning application councillors focused on feedback suggesting improvements to the processes to be applied to guide the Environmental Impact Assessment including independent assessment of agricultural land quality, biodiversity, disruption of habitat and degradation of amenity value. Heightened risk of flooding should also be taken into account. Councillors were also concerned that the distribution of solar panel installation across the country should be reviewed in order to ensure that Wiltshire's contribution was in proportion to the rest of the country. The Clerk was asked to submit a formal response to the Planning Inspectorate on behalf of the Parish Council. ACTION: Clerk New Applications for Consideration: PL/2024/05934 Elmet House, 9 Fairleigh Rise – Install 12 solar panels on roof of garage / annex (Extension granted to 12 Aug 24) On a proposal from Cllr Harrison-Jones, seconded by Cllr Reynolds, IT WAS RESOLVED to Support this application. PL/2024/05967 Greathouse, Swindon Road – Amended location of outdoor pool, erection of plant room and changing huts (Deadline: 15Aug24) <i>Change of name to Kin House since original application noted by Planning Officer</i> On a proposal from Cllr Sealy, seconded by Cllr Watson, IT WAS RESOLVED to Support this application. PL/2024/05988 Barncroft, Upper Common – Erection of field store and lock up storage area (Extension granted to 12Aug24) On a proposal from Cllr Armor, seconded by Cllr Sealy, IT WAS RESOLVED to Support this application. Planning Updates: None

	Wiltshire Council Decisions, Appeals and Enforcement Updates Decisions: PL/2024/05104 Land south of Cross Trees, Moors Close - Proposed works to trees in a conservation area. Decision: No Objection PL/2024/03254 Briar House, 3 Silver Street - Proposed works to trees in a conservation area. Decision: No Objection
057.24	Clerks Report (Matters Arising from 8 July 2024 Parish Council meeting to be brought forward to 9th September Parish Council meeting) - The Clerk had e-mailed councillors regarding the gully tanker request for suggestions. Cllr Pattemore pointed out that in fact the Parish is only able to have five gullies cleared. Cllr Pattemore noted that there has been no further progress on the work to be done to Plough Lane ditches by the landlord and agreed to follow up with Highways. ACTION: Cllr Pattemore - The Clerk said that the LHFIG meeting had been held at which the Parish Council's request for a Highways Improvement Request for a footpath from Nursery Cottages to Sutton Road had been reviewed. This has resulted in agreement by the LHFIG to follow up with a feasibility study. <i>(Edit Clerk: Please note the end point has always wrongly been called Sutton Lane when it should be Sutton Road.)</i> - The Clerk had received unpleasant e-mails regarding the Community Speedwatch activities – she had forwarded them to Wiltshire Police who followed it up with the person concerned. - A parking request had been received for parking on Middle Common on 8th August throughout the day for cars attending a fund-raising event for the RUH Breast Unit which she had approved under delegated powers. - The villager responsible for the major work involved in creating a new Parish Council website would be going back to University and as he may not be available for the September KLPC meeting, Cllr Armor and the villager both gave councillors an update on progress to date as the site was now ready to go live. More work is still to be done on completing more of the content, particularly the Village News and Village History but the major part, including all previous KLPC documents and updates are already there. The plan was for maintenance changes to be made every six months. As part of this project all councillors would be receiving new @kingtonlangley-pc.gov.uk email addresses. Parish Councillors thanked villager Ben Cunningham, BC Website Design, for the very significant amount of work he had carried out with Cllr Armor and both had produced a very impressive professional result.
058.24	Update on Parish Council Proposal for Community Orchard following Kington Langley Village Hall CIO Trustees' Meeting on 24 July 24 The Village Hall CIO trustees have agreed to the negotiation of a licence with KLVH CIO, similar to that of the Tennis and Croquet Clubs, but at a peppercorn rent with the CIO providing the site, access, parking, toilet facilities and water. The Orchard Project Organisation would need to obtain funds and to design and operate the project. Trustees had agreed that Cllr Watson should proceed to find volunteers and then set up an organisation with its own bank account to manage the project. Cllr Watson was therefore requesting parish councillors' agreement to proceed. Councillors agreed that it would be better managed as a separate group from the Parish Council and reported back via KClimate Change actions. Volunteers would be requested via the Parish Magazine and the Facebook Community Support Page. A separate license would be drawn up along the lines of the one in place for use of part of the recreation ground by the village Croquet Club. On a proposal from Cllr Harrison-Jones, seconded by Cllr Reynolds, IT WAS RESOLVED that Cllr Watson should proceed with establishing whether villagers would be interested in volunteering for the project. ACTION: Cllr Watson to follow up request for volunteers.

059.24

Finance Report – Responsible Financial Officer (Peter Giles)

a) To note transactions since last report dated 6 July 2024

Payments from Current Account:

9Jul24	KLVH Hall hire Apr - Jun	£21.60
9Jul24	Bawdens – Inv 29467 1 st cut	£1,149.60
9Jul24	Bawdens – Inv 29644 3 rd cut	£1,149.60
9Jul24	St Peter’s Church – Annual Grant	£150.00
9Jul24	Union Chapel - Annual Grant	£150.00
9Jul24	KLVH CIO - Annual Grant Part 1	£500.00
30Jul24	Black Nova – Domain Registration	£48.00

Receipts to Deposit Account:

9Jul24	Interest	£22.90
9Aug24	Interest	£21.03

Transfers Between Accounts:

8Jul24	Deposit (07020575) to Current (0218248)	£1,000.00
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b) To approve future payments to be made online

Online	Bawdens – Inv 29799 4 th cut	£1,149.60
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c) To approve the August 24/25 Financial Report

10 Aug 24	KLPC Treasurers Account (Current)	£418.18
10 Aug 24	KLPC Business Bank Account (Deposit)	£21,281.91
	Net balances as at 10 Aug 24	£21,700.09

Note: The KLPC Treasurers Account (Defibrillator) was closed as previously agreed on 20th June and the residual balance transferred to the current account as of that date.

On a proposal by Cllr Sealy, seconded by Cllr Armor, **IT WAS RESOLVED** to approve forthcoming payments and the August 2024 Financial Report.

060.24

Correspondence sent / received.

Received:

A Request for donation letter has been received from the Bobby Van Trust. To be brought forward to the next Budget review by the RFO. **ACTION:** RFO to follow up at the next Budget review

E-mail from villager requesting the Parish Council takes a look at the footpath by the Wessex Water reservoir which has brambles overgrowing the path.
ACTION: Cllr Pattemore to check exactly where this is and raise with grass contractors.

E-mail from villager requesting Parish Council review an overgrown hedge at entrance to Moors Close plus follow-up last winter’s drainage issues. This has already been actioned by Cllr Pattemore.

E-mail from Church Warden requesting Parish Council follow up to issues of overgrown weeds outside the church wall on the bends. The Clerk has sent an e-mail to Highways but has not yet received a response.

E-mail from Church Warden asking that the Parish Council consider an increase in the annual donation for churchyard maintenance given the considerable increase in costs since it was last increased some 10 years ago. **ACTION:** For RFO to follow up for the 2025/26 Budget Setting review.

E-mail from Church Warden requesting Parish Council consider a similar repair to that made on Coffin Way to the unnamed road in front of Church Farm which is used for church parking and is now very rutted. **ACTION:** Cllr Sealy to look into what needs to be done.

061.24	Exchange of information and Any Items for Consideration at Next Meeting • Cllr Reynolds noted that their last Speedwatch recorded 150 cars went through but with no speeders She noted that this was at a time when the village history walkers were walking up Plough Hill. • Cllr Pattermore said that the Lime Tree Farm soakaway had been cleaned but she didn't know if it has fixed the problem yet. • County Councillor Howard Greenman said he had a meeting with the new MP for South Cotswolds, Roz Savage. • County Councillor Greenman said that the main item on the next Chippenham Community Area Parish Forum on 25 September will be road safety and there would be a presentation by the Head of Wiltshire and Swindon Road Safety Partnership (who reports to the Wiltshire Police and Crime Commissioner) • Cllr Sealy said that there had been a working party on the last weekend on Byway 34A and a really good job had been done so hopefully the ditches would now be working. He thanked villager Alan Lamming and his team for the work they had put into it. • Cllr Sealy said a field by the A350 has been sold and it is possible there is an unauthorised encampment on it. This has been reported. • Cllr Armor said he hadn't yet tracked down Christian Malford Parish Council's SID people yet will do so when the Chair is back from holiday. The Clerk noted that the shrubs near the Christian Malford SID on the B4069 were so overgrown that the SID doesn't display a driver's speed until they are virtually passing the device. Cllr Greenman said he would mention it to them.
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The next full meeting of the Parish Council will be held on **Monday 9th September 2024 at 7:30 pm in the Committee Room at Kington Langley Village Hall, Church Road.**

MEETING CLOSED AT 20:27