

KENSWICK AND WICHENFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 13th July 2015 in the Memorial Hall, Wichenford.

Present

Cllr G Britten-Long (chairman) Mrs J Panton, Mr D Richards, Cllr H Rendall, Mr K Randall, and Mrs S Sanders (Clerk to the Parish Council)

County Councillor P Grove

15/57 APOLOGIES and APPROVAL of absence

M. Andrews (work) D Richardson (holiday)

Democratic half hour/public question time.

The Police Community Support Officer came to discuss with the parish council preventative measures to protect outside property and out buildings as there has been a large number of break ins in the area.

They will be hosting a workshop at Cob house fisheries on 25th where you will be able to purchase Smartwater and shed alarms at reduced rates.

15/58 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

15/59 MINUTES

It was proposed to accept the minutes of the 18th May as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Rendall and seconded by Councillor Panton.

15/60 COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

County Councillor Grove reported that a budget meeting was held a few days ago and it is very clear that a further saving of £230,000 has to be found. No details yet of where this is to be found, a decision will be made in November.

Councillor Grove praised the parish council on the amount of work done on the solar farm proposal at Woodhall.

The county council is trying to get big companies to invest in Worcester, as the government want us to do more devolving of powers.

Road re-surfacing works are now complete, and the weight restriction at Ankerdine is being looked at again.

15/61 APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION.

No applications were applied for.

15/62 PROGRESS REPORTS

Fishing pools at land off Ankerdine Road.

After several emails and the parish council insisting that the highways authority come and visibly look at the entrance Malvern hills have agreed that the access is substandard. An enforcement notice is being prepared for issue as a matter of urgency as this can only be done if it is under 4 years old. However the parish council have found out that the 4 year rule does not apply in this case and want Malvern hills to pursue with the enforcement notice.

Update on Kenswick Stables.

The chairman agreed to contact Malvern hills about this as nothing appears to be done, otherwise we will have to try the environmental department.

Wichenford web site

This is still on going and councillor Rendall has arranged a meeting with the creator who is on holiday at the moment.

15/63 PLANNING

Applications pending since the last meeting. (For information only)

14/01658/FUL Construction of solar park with attendant infrastructure including substations, replacement tower, centre station, inverters, cameras and fencing for Land at Woodhall Farm.

This application is going to committee on 15th July and is recommended for refusal. Councillor Rendall will go and speak on behalf of the parish council at the meeting.

15/00386/FUL. Installation of solar PV panels and associated infrastructure for Allsetts Farm Broadwas.

This application is going to be approved but will have a lot of conditions on it.

Applications refused/approved/withdrawn.

15/00223/FUL Laughern Hill Wichenford. **(Approved)**

15/00585/HOU Single storey office/garden room building and boundary walls. Barn 4 Rimmers farm, Wichenford. **(Approved)**

Applications to be considered.

15/00670/OUT

Outline application with all matters reserved for the erection of 2 dwellings and associated works. Rear of 25/26 Queens estate

The parish council will visit the site on 21st July.

15/64 FINANCE

Donation to the NPDC was discussed. It was agreed unanimously to purchase a new fridge freezer for them as the old one has broken, a cheque for £294.98 was agreed.

The bus shelter has been re felted and re sprayed, and cheque already sent out.

The balance up to 6th July stands at £17,441.77

Payments were approved and cheques signed accordingly.

Lengthsman, Go Greener (skip hire) J Kidd (safety boots) CPRE (Subscription) M Young (bus shelter repair)

The acceptance of the finances was resolved.

15/65 LENGTHSMAN

Usual duties plus strimming at the junctions and around the signs.

15/66 COUNCILLORS TRAINING

Councillor Panton will attend the Parish Conference on 5th Oct at County Hall, And the chairman will attend the NPDC AGM.

15/67 TO REPORT ANY URGENT DECISIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

None

15/68 CORRESPONDENCE

For decision by the parish council (Information only)

All Correspondence is now emailed to councillors.

15/69 COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS and ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

The clerk has been asked to contact the owner of Laughern House and Peg House wood regarding overgrown hedges. Both will be written to and asked to cut the hedges. The owner of Peg house wood has been written to several times in the past. The county council can take matters into their own hands and cut the hedges but will charge the landowner a large fee for doing it.

15/70 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting date to be arranged, this will be via email.

PLEASE CHECK DATES and BRING YOUR DIARIES.

Signed.....

Dated.