

KINGS CLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council was held Thursday 8th July 2021 at 7.30 pm at Kings Cliffe Active. For those member of the public not able to attend in person were invited to attend virtually: Zoom Meeting ID 726 831 7160 Password: 046754.

Simon Fairhall, Kings Cliffe Active – addressed the council regarding item 21/082 Kings Cliffe Active Agreement – reuse. Clarification is needed in the perception of the lease regarding profit-making.

21/068 Declarations of Interest – None

20/069 Present - Chairman A Howard, Vice Chairman M Day, Councillors R Brown, J Atkinson, G Smid, R Meadows, D Balmer, R Isaac, G Holland, 2 members of the public attended at Kings Cliffe Active and 2 members of the public virtually attended via Zoom.

21/070 Apologies for Absence - Cllrs T Copeland and M Wharton

21/071 Chairman's Report – For Information Only

The Chairman met with Leda Properties at the Spa. Another meeting will be held in the Autumn to see how to move this forward with it being a Grade 2 listed building

Benches – The Amenities Sub-Committee are considering locations of benches for additional seating around the village. We have received several possible locations for our consideration and will discuss this again at a later date.

21/072 Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th June 2021

Proposed: Councillor: R Meadows Seconded: Councillor: G Smid

21/073 Any Matters Arising – For Information Only

The Clerk updated the Parish Council on June's item 21/066 Ramblers 'Willow Lane' ROW Application. The Definitive Map Officer has confirmed that as yet the application form and map hasn't currently been scanned, redacted and placed online yet. The Parish Council will consider this application once all the documentation is available to view.

21/074 Accounts Payable

Clerk's Salary July £450.00 (June Expenses £59.86)	£509.86
Clerk's Salary August £450.00 (July Expenses £61.59)	£511.59
RJC Countryside Management – Church Inv: 2578 29/6/21	£174.00
RJC Countryside Management – Cemetery Inv: 2579 29/6/21	£228.00
KCA Grass Cutting April\May\June	£1214.40
KCA Room Hire May & June 2021	£40.00
E-On	£1635.00
Cemetery Management & Compliance NCALC course for Chairman of Burial Board Tom Copeland	£80.00
Playground Supplies – Sovereign Grange Playground Repairs	£642.00

Proposed: Councillor: R Meadows Seconded: Councillor: R Brown

21/075 Financial Position

Bank Balances: As of 6th July 2021

Current £36,939.35:

Deposit £70,345.08: (£51,757.15) of this is for the Village Field (**Hypothecated Reserves**)

Bequest Account Re: Cemetery £842.39 (**Hypothecated Reserves**)

Nationwide Business 95 Day Saver: Section 106 Lap & Leap (**Hypothecated Reserves**) £61,054.93 as of 31/3/21 (Statements Annually)

Cambridge Building Society Saver: Section 106 Lap & Leap (**Hypothecated Reserves**) £60,179.82 as of 31/12/20 (Statements Annually)

Income: £450.00

Proposed: Councillor: M Day Seconded: Councillor: R Isaac

21/076 Reserves and Grant Policies

Grant Policy:

Proposed: Councillor: J Atkinson Seconded: Councillor: R Brown

Reserves Policy:

Proposed: Councillor: J Atkinson Seconded: Councillor: D Balmer

These policies will be uploaded to the website.

21/077 Planning Applications - <http://www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/viewplanningapplications>

NE/21/00855/FUL - Two Storey and Single Storey Rear Extensions. **73 Oak Lane Kings Cliffe (Agreed Extension 12/7) Objected**

NE/21/00868/TCA - Conifer (1) and Eucalyptus (2) to remove at **43 Park Street Kings Cliffe**. No Objection

NE/21/00388/FUL - Change of Use of Land to a Camping/Glamping Site and Ancillary Warden's Accommodation, Land South Of Top Lodge Top Lodge Road Fineshade. **Previously Objected**

Planning Applications granted by NNC

NE/21/00785/TCA - T1, Beech tree. Codominant stem at approximately 2m. To remove the north west facing stem to allow the tree to fill out before it gets mature. **31 Park Street Kings Cliffe**

NE/21/00727/FUL & NE/21/00728/LBC. Replace 3 sash windows like for like and repoint the front elevation of the property. **66 West Street, Kings Cliffe**

NE/21/00868/TCA Conifer (1) and Eucalyptus (2) fell and remove Location: **43 Park Street Kings Cliffe**

Jacqui Colburne, Development Management Officer contacted the Clerk regarding our objections in May **NE/21/00665/FUL** - Replacement of windows and door to front aspect of house in conservation Article 4 area. **56 West Street Kings Cliffe. Objected**. Cllr J Atkinson will collate a more in-depth objection response for the planning and conservation officer.

21/078 Reports from our Representatives

Augean Liaison, Cllr M Day updated the Parish Council on the recent L Augean meeting on June 16th.

Tree Warden, Cllr G Holland is currently looking into the Queens Canopy Campaign. The most popular suggestion put forward was for trees to be planted in the area between Oak Lane and the railway line. In conjunction with planting the trees, it has been suggested that a pond should be dug. It was also suggested that a bench should be placed here, this could be sponsored by individuals as memorial benches.

Clerk

Cllr J
Atkinson

The three aspects of this project together would combine to create a pleasant quiet place for locals to relax and enjoy some peaceful time. It would also provide an area for wildlife and greenery.

Before we finalise our plans we are looking for your comments on the above proposals or indeed any alternative suggestions.

Cllr G
Holland

21/079 Highways (Roads, Drains, Flooding)

On **July 19th and 20th** there will be a gully pot (drain) checking and clearing operation across all village pots. A 5m clearance is required to operate the boom that sucks up the silt and debris, so please park with this in mind, or be ready to move your car if needed. Each cleared pot will then be flooded to check for correct working. Any that fail this check will be reported to our contact Ben (Highways) who will initiate a risk assessment to establish if there needs to be any traffic management to allow further work to fix the problem. Ben will then share any such cases with a representative from the Parish Council and provide an update on the planned work. If a vehicle is blocking access to a blocked gully pot, and dependent upon the final stage of easing Covid restrictions on 19th July, the team will knock on the nearest door to see if it can be moved. If you have or are exhibiting Covid symptoms, or feel vulnerable, please do not answer your door. As not everyone is on social media, we ask that you please make contact with your neighbours to share this information. Let's make a real Cliffe community effort to help the team across these 2 days so we can feel reassured that our drains are in good working order! **Moving forward:** Ben will provide a monthly report to the Parish Council of all reported Highways issues and their progress in rectifying them. They will provide a supporting video detailing how to use Street Doctor that we will then post on this community page. For example, when reporting road surface/pavement/kerb issues you need to zoom right in on the interactive reporting map to pinpoint where the issue is? If it is vague, it is likely to fall in a garden or somewhere that isn't the responsibility of Highways and the programme will not accept it as needing Highways attention! Also, if you want to pinpoint the location to the nearest square metre, you can use the What Three Words app that generates a unique 1-metre square reference using 3 words, which is particularly useful in rural locations?

Cllr J
Atkinson
Cllr D
Balmer

21/080 Sovereign Grange – Ash Close/Hazel Lane Drainage/Flooding

Correspondence received from Encore. The land in question which the water runs off is not an area that they manage and as such, they have no plans at all regarding any works that were needed on the field to prevent water flooding to the properties in question. The local planning office should be able to provide the planning application for the original development.

21/081 Meadow Bridge

Charles Tomalin provided the Parish Council with the requested additional information. The Amenities Sub-Committee held a meeting on-site on Thursday, 8th July and the Parish Council will now write back to Charles Tomalin with the various points pickup.

Chairman

21/082 Kings Cliffe Active Agreement – reuse

Kings Cliffe Active have drawn up an Agreement regarding the use of the facilities. KCA, The Parish Council and the Vendors all need to be party to this agreement. Cllr M Day to meet with the Vendors to discuss this proposed agreement.

Cllr
M Day

21/083 Insurance – Wildplaces

Wildplaces confirmed their insurance was in place and will forward the Clerk a copy.

Clerk

21/084 Standing Orders – amendments

Revision 3 was agreed to be adopted. Request to Speak form also to be updated in line with the revision 3.

Proposed: Councillor: J Atkinson Seconded: Councillor: D Balmer

21/085 KCPC Emergency Plan

The Emergency Plan has been updated on the new website.

21/086 Amenities Sub Committee

The pathway from the school/KCA. We believe this has been agreed in principle and await an update.

<p>21/087 Grass Maintenance Cllr R Isaac offered his services with the agreement of Simon Fairhall of KCA to use the KCA strimmer to assist in the strimming of grass verges.</p> <p>21/088 Burial Board Report Cllr M Day to attend to the issue at the Churchyard to fill in with soil the location previously visited and discussed.</p> <p>Cllr T Copeland, Chairman of the Burial Board is currently attending a Cemetery Management & Compliance course by NCALC. The Parish Council agreed to the quote of £140.00 plus VAT to prune the lime tree's at the Cemetery.</p> <p>Proposed: Councillor: J Atkinson Seconded: Councillor: R Meadows</p>	<p>Cllr R Isaac</p> <p>Cllr M Day</p> <p>Cllr T Copeland</p>
<p>21/089 Gazette entry – August 2021 Agreed & Discussed</p> <p>21/090 Police: Crime Report/JAG Nothing to Report</p>	
<p>21/091 Correspondence Received Letter received from Chris Wickes, Park Street regarding trees adjacent to the property on the small green opposite the old school. Clerk to write back that our Chairman wishes to meet and discuss the pruning of these come this winter.</p> <p>Chairman requested our footpath warden Cllr R Meadows request a signpost for the Spa at Morehay Lane.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr R Meadows</p>
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<p>Signed _____ Date _____</p>	