

Kings Cliffe Parish Council

The monthly meeting of the Parish Council Was held on Thursday 18th April 2024 at 7.30pm at Kings Cliffe Memorial Hall.

23/514 Declarations of Interest – Chairman A. Howard declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application NE/24/00241/FUL.

23/515 Presents – Chairman A. Howard, Vice-Chairman M. Day, Councillors J. Atkinson, M. Tank, M. Stewart, T Copeland, D. Balmer, R. Isaac, G. Holland, G. Smid & R. Meadows. + 6 Members of the Public.

23/516 Unitary Councillors – All Unitary Councillors were invited. None Attended. No apologies received.

23/517 Apologies for Absence – None

23/518 Chairman's Report

None

23/519 Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th March 2024

Proposed: Councillor M. Stewart

Seconded: Councillor G. Smid

23/520 Any Matters Arising

None

23/521 Accounts Payable

Clerks Salary & expenses	£471.48
Npower	£1357.96
Ncalc Training	£39.60
Price Bailey Payroll	£100.50
Ncalc Membership	£645.94
ICO Membership	£40.00
Miracle Design and Play	£312.00

It was agreed to pay the ICO by Direct Debit.

23/522 Amounts Received

Burial Board	£150
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Proposed: Councillor T. Copeland

Seconded: Councillor M. Stewart

23/523 Financial Position

Bank Balances: As of 6th March 2024

Current £27,632.49

Deposit £71,352.79: (£51,757.15) of this is for the Village Field (**Hypothecated Reserves**)

Bequest Account Re: Cemetery £853.92: (**Hypothecated Reserves**)

Nationwide Business 95 Day Saver:Section106Lap&Leap (**Hypothecated Reserves**)£62,342.68 as of 31/3/23 (Statements Annually)

Cambridge BuildingSocietySaver:Section106Lap&Leap (**Hypothecated Reserves**) £60,482.94 as of 31/12/22 (Statements Annually)

23/524 Internet Banking update

The Clerk has received the necessary forms to become a signatory, these will be completed before the next meeting.

23/525 Planning Applications - - <https://publicaccess.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/online-applications/>

NE/24/00239/FUL - Full Planning Permission. Single storey side extension. **55 West Street Kings Cliffe PE8 6XB** Recommend Approval (support)

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980; S. 119.

Application for permanent diversion of part of Public Footpath NE1, Kings Cliffe, Northamptonshire.
Huskisson's Yard, Wansford Road. Recommend Approval (Support)

NE/24/00241/FUL - Full Planning Permission. Two storey side extension. **2 Howards Meadow Kings Cliffe Peterborough PE8 6YJ** Recommend Approval (Support)

23/526 Planning Applications Granted by NCC

NE/22/01431/FUL - Convert former school to four town houses, conversion of horsa to ancillary annexe accommodation, along with associated landscaping, parking and access, first floor extension to NE wing and changes to fenestration. **Kings Cliffe Primary School, Park Street, Kings Cliffe, PE8 6XN**

NE/24/00087/FUL - Part conversion of existing detached single garage with new canopy link, construction of new larger single garage to side, composite cladding to converted and new garage, internal alterations with door and window alterations, installation of solar panels. **1 Orchard Lane, Kings Cliffe, PE8 6YA**

23/527 ICO Membership

It was discovered when renewing the ICO membership, that the Direct Debit mandate was lost in the post. It was agreed to set up another Direct Debit to pay the membership fees.

23/528 Office Space for the Clerk at the Village Hall

Councillor R. Meadows proposed, in the February meeting, for an office space for the Clerk in the Undercroft of the Memorial Hall. It has been confirmed that the annual rent would be £600. This was agreed subject to a satisfactory rental agreement.

23/529 Allotments

The Freedom of information request regarding the allotments has been responded to.

The clerk will write to an allotment holder regarding a decision over a request made by them.

23/530 Use of Maltings Green for the Duck Race

It was agreed that the Annual Duck Race could again be held on Maltings Green.

23/531 Biodiversity Policy

This will be discussed at a separate meeting to be arranged by the Clerk.

23/532 Change of Energy Supplier

There were some concerns regarding the change of energy supplier. The Clerk will write to the energy broker, seeking clarification of these concerns. It was agreed in principle to change suppliers subject to a satisfactory response from the energy broker.

23/533 Grass Cutting Around the Village

The Clerk sought clarification over the price of cutting the grass on Maltings Green and Sovereign Grange. The price for Sovereign Grange is £55 per hour and takes approximately 2 hours to cut. It was agreed that the Clerk should inform KCA when the grass needs cutting and that a monthly bill is required.

23/534 Playground Repairs

The Basket swing has been returned to the Parish Council after being taken away during repair work. The Clerk is awaiting quotes from 2 other companies following the inspection report.

23/535 Village Field

The Parish Council heard 3 proposals during the Public Meeting. It was decided that in order to come up with a plan to move forward more information is needed regarding how the Football Club and Cricket Club plan to prepare the land for the pitches, what groundwork will be required and how this will affect the current biodiversity. The Clerk will write to all 3 groups and ask for a visual scaled plan with exact measurements regarding the area their proposals will need.

It is important to note that there is a covenant on the land that and that in the deeds the land is referred to as a cricket field.

23/536 S106 Monies Update on Progress

It was agreed that, following the confirmation from the S106 monitoring officer, £2344.80 will be transferred from the Deposit account to the current account.

Proposed: Councillor T. Copeland

Seconded: Councillor M. Stewart

23/537 Speed warning signs

Councillor J. Atkinson reported that she had received an updated quote for the speed warning signs and she would send the grant application off for approval.

23/538 Road and footpath repairs

The road surface along Blatherwyke Road has been repaired.

Councillor R. Isaac will contact NNC Highways to clarify the pothole situation along West Street.

It was also noted that work was still outstanding in relation to the blocked Culvert along the Apethorpe Road,

23/539 Reports from our Representatives

One of the Heritage Boards has a broken corner, Councillor R. Meadows will see if it can be repaired. A plan for the future of the heritage boards will need it be decided at a future meeting.

23/540 Burial Board Report

The grass in the Cemetery and Churchyard has been cut. A meeting will be arranged with the contractor to discuss the plan for cutting the grass this year.

23/541 Gazette entry – May 2024

Discussed and Agreed

23/542 Police: Crime Report/JAG

A number of cars have been broken into and have been stolen. The Parish Council would like to advise residents to be vigilant and report any unusual activity to the police using the 101 service.

23/543 Correspondence Received

A quote for replacing 3 streetlights was agreed.

The next Meeting will be held at 7.30 pm on Thursday 9th May 2024 at Lower Ground Floor Community Room Kings Cliffe Active.

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