



**Draft MINUTES OF THE KINGSDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
THURSDAY 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021, Kingsdon Village hall, 7.30pm**

**Parishioner comment time:**

None

**District and County councillor time:**

C.Hull sent a message to say that 65% of those who voted in the advisory poll re the unitary debate voted for Stronger Somerset (twin). Turnout was 25%.

Also, be mindful that the recycling/refuse collections change end of this month.

**Present:**

Mr David Beswick (Chairman), Mr B. Paine (Vice-Chairman), Mr G. Osborne, Mr I Dibben, Mr A. Anderson, (Parish Councillors); Mrs Kate Hatt (Parish Clerk); Mr K. Tridgell (RFO) plus 4 parishioners.

**1. Apologies:**

Mrs S Mackay and Mr P. Waters, Mr T. Capozzoli and Mr C. Hull (District councillor), Mr D Ruddle (County Councillor).

**2. Declarations of Interest:**

G.Osborne declared an interest in item 10.

**3. Minutes:**

The minutes the monthly Parish Council meeting and the annual parish council meeting, held on the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021, and the annual parish meeting, held on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2021, which had been previously circulated, were proposed by B.Paine and seconded by A.Anderson , and unanimously approved and signed.

**4. Matters arising not covered by agenda items**

None

**5. Chairman's Report**

D.Beswick has not yet received a letter back from the Commanding Officer at Yeovilton, but we are hoping that he will come along to our next meeting.

**6. Correspondence**

The PCSO report for May/June has been circulated to councillors.

**7.1 and 7.2 Finance- report and cheque signing.**

<b>KPC Current Account</b>	Opening balance as at 01.05.2021	£21,037.82
40	Net Cheque /Standing Order Cleared Balance	£920.01
	Payments/Transfer In - VATrefund £688.02/Allotment £16	£704.02
	Transfer Out -	£0.00
	Closing Balance as at 28.05.2021	<b>£20,821.83</b>
	Unpresented Cheques- 100656-KPCC Graveyard Mainenance £1,200/100657-Kchronicle£150	£1,350.00
	True Balance as at 28.05.2021	£19,471.83

<b>KPC General Reserve A/C</b>	Opening balance as at 01.05.2021	£5,000.00
51	Net Cheque Balance	£0.00
	Interest -	£0.00
	Transfer In	£0.00
	Transfer Out - nil	£0.00
	Closing Balance as at 28.05.2021	<b>£5,000.00</b>

<b>KPC Earmarked Reserve A/C</b>	Opening balance as at 01.05.2021	£45,356.71
43	Transfer In	£0.00
	Interest	£0.00
	Transfer Out	£0.00
	Closing Balance as at 28.05.2021	<b>£45,356.71</b>

Clerk Services Payroll of £100pm June 2019 until further notice and RFO Services Payroll as from 04.2020 until further notice		KPCM 11/4/19(Clerk)
Kate Hatt - Clerk services	£100.00	Standing order
K Tridgell - RFO Services	£120.00	Standing order
Accounting Angels- AGAR Audit 2020/21 Financial Statement	£132.00	OLT20210620

**TOTAL ACTAUL EXPENDITURE - Up to10.06.2021**

£352.00

Amount approval (less S.O. pre approved clerk & RFO)

£132.00

K.Tridgell talked through the May accounts which have been circulated to councillors.

The payments were proposed by B.Paine, seconded by I. Dibben, all in favour.

The AGAR needs approval, this was signed.

An internal audit has been done by Accounting angels, they have responded to say that all has been approved.

The annual governance statement was signed by the chairman and the clerk.

The notice of public rights will now be displayed on the notice board and on the website.

### **8. Permissive footpath towards Ilchester**

We currently cannot walk from Kingsdon out onto the levels without trespassing. I.Dibben has approached a farmer to see if we can put a permissive footpath across his land which will enable us to do this. We won't be able to put gates all the way through due to potential issues of cattle being let through. We can put styles in though. South Somerset will now contact the farmer officially. This should all happen over the next couple of months.

The councillors had no objections.

### **9. Lay by at North end of Middle Street**

After heavy rain a lot of water builds up in this layby and takes a while to drain away. We could build the layby slightly higher to enable it to not sit there and run away.

It was raised that currently, this leaves a muddy section which provides housing material for the swallows. I.Dibben decided to therefore look at this further before making a decision.

### **10. Queen's Platinum jubilee**

Requests from the festival committee:

Would like to hold an event this year e.g. a BBQ and bar, family events.

Also, a full bash for the jubilee – bank holiday weekend, marquee, fete, evening events etc in 2022.

I.Dibben proposed that we allow the field to be used for these events and the costs are put through the KCP to claim back VAT and be covered by the KPC insurance, seconded by A.Anderson, all in favour.

### **11. Section 106 money**

We have some money available for children's play equipment and village hall, this is now in danger of being lost.

We are not inclined to wish to purchase more play equipment.

The two younger child's swings need to be replaced – we have asked for a quotation. We also need to potentially replace some of the matting. We are in dialogue with SSDC to try to access these funds.

We may be able to access the village hall money now as it can be used either for a new build or refurbishments.

**Action - K.Hatt to contact Nathan at SSDC and arrange a site visit.**

**12. Repairs to village field stone walls**

The wall needs to be repaired. The vegetation has been killed off, we now need to do the repairs. We are looking for people who build stone walls as our existing contacts are now not available, we need to get quotations. If anyone knows of anyone please let David Beswick know.

**8. Date of next meeting**

Monthly meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> July

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.08pm**