South Kyme Parish Council

Minutes for Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 24 June 2021 at 7.30 PM

MINUTES

Public Session:

- A Coy family member extended thanks to SKPC for the commemoration of the late Mr J and Mrs E Coy by the renaming of the bridge over the river as 'Coy's Bridge'.
- Clarification was provided regarding the separate volunteer group for South Kyme Festival.
- Concerns about politics and social media discussions regarding SKPC.
- Appreciation was made about the new SID and assistance during recent flooding event.
- Request that Chairman reminds public to act in respctful manner.
- Concerns about the positioning of the SID.
- Concerns if SKPC gets involved in management of volunteer groups.
- Support for SKPC to continue to assist volunteer groups.

Present: Cllrs Alex Alexander, Michelle Clark, Peter Goode, Mervyn Head, Judith Head, Craig Midgley, Susan Shaw; Dermot Daly (Clerk); 19 members of the public

- **21/22/028** To receive and agree apologies for absence None.
- 21/22/029 To receive disclosures of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests, pursuant to section 31 of the Localism Act 2011, and applications for dispensation from Councillors on matters considered at this meeting. None.
- 21/22/030 To determine which items on the agenda, if any, require the exclusion if public and press under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) and resolve to exclude public and press for these items.
 - It was identified that a section of item 21/22/056 would need to be in closed session. The chairman and Cllr Clark also stated they had items for a closed session.

MEETINGS

- 21/22/031 To confirm the proposers and seconders for the resolutions in the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting and subsequently approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 5th May 2021
 - It was RESOLVED to propose and second en bloc with Cllr Clark and Cllr Head M.
- 21/22/032 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 23rd July 2020
 - It was agreed to defer these minutes to a later meeting after taking suggested changes from Councillors.
- 21/22/033 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 24th August 2020
 - It was agreed to defer these minutes to a later meeting after taking suggested changes from Councillors.
- 21/22/034 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th September 2020
 - It was agreed to defer these minutes to a later meeting after taking suggested changes from Councillors.
- 21/22/035 To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th September 2020
 - It was agreed to defer these minutes to a later meeting after taking suggested changes from Councillors.
- **21/22/036** To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19th November 2020
 - It was agreed to defer these minutes to a later meeting after taking suggested changes from Councillors.
- 21/22/037 To discuss and agree future regular meetings for the Parish Council
 - It was RESOLVED to agree as circulated, p. Cllr Clark, s. Cllr Goode.

FINANCE

- **21/22/038** Presentation of financial accounts for the period [MH]
 - It was RESOLVED to approve the financial accounts as circulated, p. Cllr Head M, s. Cllr Head J.
- **21/22/039** To agree accounts for payment [MH]
 - It was RESOLVED to approve the accounts for payments as circulated, p. Cllr Head M, s. Cllr Head J.

21/22/040 To discuss and agree the purchase of hardware and software to support hybrid Parish Council meetings and to agree the IT proposal as circulated

- It was RESOLVED to approach the Village Hall Committee in respect of a shared cost broadband connection to the Coronation Hall, p. Cllr Head M, s. Cllr Shaw.

21/22/041

To discuss and agree the support of the Clerk in membership of SLCC to the level of 50%

- It was RESOLVED in principle to cover 50% of the SLCC membership once the Clerk has successfully completed the probationary period in support of the CiLCA training later in the year, p. Cllr Head M, s. Cllr Clark.

GENERAL

21/22/042

To agree response to LCC enquiry on footpath cutting standard and extent [LCC]

- It was RESOLVED to respond positively to LCC, p. Cllr Clark, s. Cllr Head M.
- It was agreed to contact Rights of Way office in respect of a small section of extinguished footpath following initial discussion (by ClIr Head M) with the land-owner.

21/22/043

Discuss and agree actions relating to dog control in and around the village [MH]

- It was RESOLVED to provide a leaflet for the Environment Warden to hand out, and to produce an appropriate poster for dog waste bins, and to write to our MP, p. Cllr Head M, s. Cllr Head J.

21/22/044

To review and agree training requirements for the Council

- The Clerk has received requests for Planning training from Cllr Alexander and Cllr Head J; Cllr Head M offered his availability for Councillor and Planning refresher training.

21/22/045

To review and agree proposed Biodiversity Policy [MH]

- Cllr Head M briefed the Council on the circulated draft Biodiversity Policy that is open for review and discussion with a view to adopt; a further suggestion to open discussion with the village residents to incorporate their views, together with other partners and interested parties. It was RESOLVED to progress this approach, p. Cllr Midgley, s. Cllr Clark.

21/22/046

To discuss and agree any actions regarding the volunteer groups (Village Tidy Group and Community Speed Watch)

- It was RESOLVED for a meeting to be set up between the Parish Council and the Community Speed Watch group, p. Cllr Midgley, s. Cllr Goode, abstained Cllr Head J.

21/22/047

To discuss and agree purchase, location and installation of SID post

- It was RESOLVED in retrospect to purchase and site the SID post with caveat that associated communications on the decision process are shared with all Councillors, p. Cllr Clark, s. Cllr Goode.

21/22/048

To agree the following items are placed on the insurance policy:

- (i) New SID
- (ii) CSW Radar Gun
- (iii) Village Hall Defibrillator
- (iv) Clerk's Laptop
- It was RESOLVED to add these items to the insurance policy following confirmation that Village Hall Committee is not insuring the Defibrillator already, p. Cllr Midgley, s. Cllr Alexander.

21/22/049

To discuss and agree that the Parish Council installs a new river platform specifically for canoe users [APM]

- This item to be deferred to a latter meeting once more information is available.

21/22/050

To review and decide on next actions regarding the LCC response to issues with white bridge [CM]

- It was RESOLVED to write to Lincolnshire County Council raising concerns on the safety for pedestrians on the approach to the footbridge, p. Cllr Midgley, s. Cllr Clark.

21/22/051

To discuss and agree next actions on upkeep and repairs to the river between Coy's bridge and new bridge

- It was RESOLVED to write to Environment Agency and Slea Navigation proposing river bank improvements using volunteers and discuss funding, p. Cllr Midgley, s. Cllr Clark.

21/22/052 To discuss and agree next actions on the works on South Parade

- It was RESOLVED to write to Anglian Water, NKDC, and Environment Agency to discuss potential solutions to the flooding issue, p. Cllr Clark, s. Cllr Midgley.

REPORTS

21/22/053 Community Speed Watch [MC]

- A report was presented by Cllr Clark.

21/22/054 Environmental Warden [MH]

- The Environment Warden presented her report - identifying dog poo hotspots, reminding people about associated fines; impending dog poo bag dispensers and associated posters.

21/22/055 Village Tidy Group [CM]

- It was reported by Cllr Midgley that the VTG was meeting on Saturday.

21/22/056 Clerks correspondence

- Kingfisher Sculpture issue (email)
- Road subsidence outside 46 High St (email)
- Public concerns over strimming of the riverbank (2 x email)
- A request to view the Festival Accounts to which the Parish Council donated (email)
- Public Rights of Way Grass Cutting local inspection (email)
- New County Councillor Andrew Key will be invited to our next meeting
- Proposed consultation on the Central Lincolnshire Local Plan commencing at the end of June
- Approached by Heritage lincolnshire for South Kyme to be pilot for Local Heritage Assets
- The items requested by the Clerk at the beginning of the meeting that are covered under closed session where not taken by the Chairman.

CLOSE

Announcements

- Cllr Midgley announced his resignation.
- Cllr Shaw announced her resignation.
- Cllr Clark announced her resignation.
- Cllr Goode announced his resignation.
- The connection to the online meeting was severed.

21/22/057

To note further agenda items and arrangements for the next meeting

- This item was not covered.

Meeting Close (by default) - 22:15