

KINGS BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the General Meeting held on
Thursday 11th July 2024 commencing at 7.45pm at Kings Bromley Village Hall.

Note – corrections to these minutes will be recorded in the minutes for the following month.

Present: Cllrs. C. Davies (chair); N. Crawley; S. Browne; P. Till; J. Burkinshaw;
Mrs. Y. Sheldon; Mrs. B. Panayi.
County and Dist. Cllr. R. Cox.

In attendance: Mr. I. Colclough (Clerk).

Public Session: Five members of the public were present.

Public Forum:

No one wished to speak at this point.

1. **Apologies and approval of absence.**
Dist Cllr. T. Marshall.
2. **a) in accordance with Section 31 of the Localism Act 2011, members to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in items on this agenda.**
None made.
b) Clerk to report any written requests for dispensations in respect of items on this agenda. None received.
3. **To resolve that the minutes of the Kings Bromley Parish Council Annual Meeting held on 13th June 2024 are a correct record.**
The minutes from the meeting above had been distributed previously. It was proposed and seconded that these minutes are signed as a true record. All were in favour. The chairman signed the minutes.
4. **Clerks Report.**
 - a) **To consider correspondence received (much of the below had been circulated previously to all Councillors)**
 1. Email from LDC re Parish Network. Cllrs. Burkinshaw and Sheldon will attend on 24th July. Clerk to inform LDC.
Action: Clerk.
 2. ACWarb – quote. After consideration it was decided to only have the Elm tree felled and the large stump ground out and poisoned. Clerk to contact.
Action: Clerk.
The other work will be undertaken by the Council.
 3. Email from SCC re footpaths. The chair said that the two defective gates as previously reported, had now mysteriously been fixed. The request by SCC for a volunteer group was thought a good suggestion and Cllr. Davies and Burkinshaw offered to meet with SCC. Clerk to arrange.
Action: Clerk.
 4. Email Co Op bank re signatories. There are now three signatories namely, Cllrs. Davies, Burkinshaw and Crawley. Two old signatories will be removed. Clerk to write to the bank and letter to be signed by two of the above. This was done.
Action: Clerk.

5. Quote- skip hire. A quote of £198 inc vat has been received. This was accepted. All in favour. Clerk to contact.

Action: Clerk.

6. Email from Eric Roy, webmaster regarding dedicated email addresses. This had been circulated previously. After discussion and in light of Eric's comments, it was decided to delay this until a decision is made by the CET group over the future development of a new website.

Action: CET Working Group.

b) Finance.

i) Financial Statement. Current a/c £15,927.04 Reserve a/c £15,676.79 (Ring fenced £4,613.11).

ii) Payments Received. None.

iii) To authorise payments.

1. Clerks net salary, income tax, expenses and postage costs - £706.00

2. Perennial Landscapes – grass cutting - £247.50 plus vat

3. Skip hire - £198 inc vat

4. Donations to PCC and Garden Guild - £250 and £150 respectively.

5. Ian Colclough – noticeboard pins - £5.98

All were in favour of paying the above invoices.

iv) Tree work. This was covered under correspondence above.

v) End of Quarter 1 account summary. This had been circulated previously. The clerk explained the figures. No other questions were forthcoming.

vi) Handyman update. The clerk said that work to tidy the rear top corner behind the hall would commence once the skip was in place. A strip will be excavated by the slide to allow water from the nearby roof to drain away and work will be done to mastic the village hall windows and fix the leaking guttering, this is subject to Cllr. Browne being available to hold the ladder.

Action: Cllr. Browne.

5. To receive oral / written reports from County and District Councillors.

Cllr. Cox reported. SCC are busy undertaking many road repairs but are being hampered by the wet weather. Climate change funding is now available as too are his own grants. Monies have been allocated to the village bowling club and the new jazz club. Work on repairs to Crawley Lane is due to commence soon.

LDC – the proposed Parish Network (see above) is a new initiative and is all news to him! LDC has appointed a new vice chair who is a Lib Dem. The new cinema and leisure centre projects are going ahead. Cllr. Browne said he heard that Diamond Buses had lost their contract with SCC. Cllr. Cox knew nothing of this but suggested that the council write to him and he will find out what he can.

Action: Clerk.

The chair thanked the councillor for his report.

6. To allocate Councillor responsibilities for the year 2024/5.

The chair went through the list. One amendment was made – Cllr. Browne was removed as Yoxall Heath Centre Liaison. Clerk to update the list.

Action: Clerk.

7. To consider the latest HS2 information including Cemex / Tarmac quarry.

Discussion took place around the increased number of tipper lorries passing through the village. It was decided to monitor this for a week. The working group will provide two

people at each end (Orgreave residents), near the Cemex entrance and two (Kings Bromley councillors) at the A513 / A515 junction.

8. To receive reports on current highway issues including safety.

Cllr. Till reported. The prices obtained for the two devices stands until 31st July. After that the price will be £600 more. Struggling to obtain prices for the posts as two of those contacted appear to be no longer trading. One other said they would reply tomorrow. Amey are taking too long to give a price. It was suggested that Armitage Parish Council is asked what they were quoted. Clerk to pursue.

Action: Clerk.

It was then proposed by Cllr. Crawley and seconded by Cllr. Till that an order for the devices are placed. 4 were in favour and 3 against. Clerk to order.

Action: Clerk.

Posts will be priced and erected later.

Cllr. Cox said that the police are currently looking at new digital format speed cameras.

9. To receive reports on current footpath issues.

The chair reiterated that the two defective gates had now been repaired.

10. To compile a village risk assessment.

Cllrs. Davies and Browne will prepare this. They will use social media to ask for help. Discussion took place around installing a 360 degree CCTV camera in the village centre. It was suggested that any camera ought to be located on the lamp post in front of the War Memorial not on the public house as it would give more coverage. A question was asked as to who to ask about this. It was thought to be SCC Highways. A warning was issued around data protection and the fact that the camera would be in a conservation area. Clerk to contact SCC and copy in Cllr. Cox.

Action: Clerk.

11. To hear an update on progress on the identified key projects.

(i) Neighbourhood Plan. No further progress. With the change in Government there are delays and no news on grants is available yet.

(ii) War Memorial fence replacement. A meeting with Paul Harris regarding undertaking drawings will be held. **Action: Cllr. Burkinshaw.**

(iii) Community Engagement and Communications. The chair said that three options have been identified. 1. To instigate a web project via a tender. 2. Hold a village organisation meeting to see what difficulties they have and how they can work together (an initial meeting was held last evening). Verbal feedback was good and there is a further meeting planned for 21st September to raise the profile. 3. Set up a meeting with two residents who have web experience and to write a specification.

(iv) Maintenance policy for parish owned areas including the play area. Cllrs. Burkinshaw and Crawley will look into drafting a policy.

Action: Cllrs. Burkinshaw and Crawley.

12. To consider any village hall maintenance issues (i) structural survey

This was deferred until the next meeting

13. To hear an update on registering local buildings / land as Assets of Community Value.

The application for the public house has been submitted to LDC.

The chair said he would make a similar application on behalf of the Cricket Club.

Action: Cllr. Davies.

14. To consider purchasing a 'bleed kit'.

A kit is £473.69 to include a cabinet. It would be located next to the defibrillator at the village hall. No training in its use is needed but if required a charity will train up to 12 for a donation of £10. It was proposed by Cllr. Till and seconded by Cllr. Crawley that a kit is purchased. All in favour. Clerk to arrange.

Action: Clerk.

- 15. To consider Councillor reports – for information only.**
None.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Signed (Chair) Date: 8th August 2024.