

MINUTES OF THE KILBY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Tuesday 14th June 2022 7.30pm at Kilby Primary School.

Present: Cllr Andrew Collins
Cllr Mark Pausey
Cllr Iain Jones
Cllr Gerry Tunnicliffe
Mrs Tina Cox – Clerk to the Council

Also present: Cllr Les Phillimore (County Councillor), Cllr Adrian Clifford (District Councillor) and 1 member of the public

78. Apologies – Cllr Lisa McLoughlin

79. Code of Conduct: Members’ Disclosure of interests and Requests for Dispensations relating to items on the agenda – Cllr Pausey in relation to item 85 d).

80. Minutes of the previous meeting – The minutes of the meeting held on the 10th May 2022 (circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting) were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

81. Matters Arising from the minutes of the previous meeting not included elsewhere on the agenda - none

82. Report from County Councillor LCC-Cllr Les Phillimore – Highways funding for VA speed signs is now at the next stage. Cllr Phillimore is meeting with the Highways Engineer next week to survey the location of the posts. Funding for the present financial year was now available, as per last year Cllr Phillimore would like a formal request, by email, regarding Kilby’s requirements. Another meeting will then be arranged for the district areas to meeting collectively with Cllr Phillimore and discuss allocation.

83. Report from District Councillor – Cllr Adrian Clifford – There have been no further developments with Chapel Close. Cllr Clifford advised that the best action if anything did arise would be to contact him directly and he will speak to the Enforcement team.

There had been reports of illegal flying of drones in the area, again he would like anyone with any information to contact him directly.

84. Policy & Finance

a) To receive and approve Financial Report as at 31st May 2022 and Year end 2021/2022:

1) Cheques submitted since the last meeting:

Peter Brookes	729	Payroll Services	£60.00
ECommune	730	Website Hosting and email	£372.00
LRALC	731	LRALC and NALC Membership	£175.00
T.Cox	732	Clerks’ salary for April 2022	£284.26
		Total	£891.37

The Balance per the Bank Statement as of 31st May 2022 is £15983.58. First Precept Payment 2022/2023 of £4245.00 has been received.

b) Statement of Variances (copied to all members prior to the meeting) – has been received and accepted by all members - RESOLVED

c) Exercise of Public Rights (copied to all members prior to the meeting) - The members agreed the 30-day period, 20th June to 29th July 2022 would be acceptable - RESOLVED

d) Model Code of Conduct Training – Cllr Pausey will look at the Model adopted by Blaby District Council and will update at the next meeting.

e) Request to support the village for the Jubilee Celebrations – The request for £156 was supported by the Council. £50.00 coming from S137 monies and £106 from the reserves. RESOLVED

85. Open Spaces/Assets

a) Update on Parish Maintenance to include:

1) Update on Playground maintenance – Cllr Pausey reported that the new bin has been installed, however it had not been bolted or fixed to the ground. The Clerk will report the issue to BDC. Funding application is still ongoing, Cllr reported a new Acting Head was now in place at the school and he will speak to her, updating members at the next meeting. Tony Kilsby has repaired the ‘window’ in the castle. Cllr Collins has now completed the Playground Inspection Training so he, along with Cllr Pausey will do the three-monthly Playground Inspections together. Cycle for these inspections to be tied in with the date for the annual inspection.

86. Planning and Environment

a) Planning application received by Kilby Parish Council since the last meeting.

- 1) **22/01133/FUL – Installation of a solar photovoltaic (PV) array/solar farm including a battery energy storage system with associated infrastructure, access and landscaping – Wistow Lodge Farm, Fleckney Road, Wistow** – Cllr Collins to draft comments for members approval. Environmental impact being a concern along with sustainability.
- 2) **22/0396/HH – Erection of garden shed (demolition of existing shed) - 2 Main Street, Kilby LE18 3TD** – The members agreed no comments were necessary.

b) Planning applications awaiting decisions:

- 1) **21/0507/HH – Broadway Farm** – 1 1/2 storey extension to form car port, garages and workshop – No further comments regarding this application have been submitted. Previous comments can be viewed on the Blaby District Council Website - Awaiting a decision.

c) Planning application updates:

- 1) **21/0654/FUL – Halford Farm, Kilby** - Proposed alterations to existing vehicular access to provide a kerb radii on Fleckney Road, re-positioning of the existing gates and pedestrian gateway approximately 7m south and 5.5m east within the site providing a set-back of 16m from the highway boundary, erection of replacement fencing and gateway and associated landscaping – RESOLVED -Comments have been raised by Kilby Parish Council and can be viewed on the Blaby District Council website – Application withdrawn during consultation.

d) Land off Chapel Close – See item 83.

e) Shire Environment Grants – Cllr Collins asked members to look at the grant outline and come back with any suggestions.

f) Lighting on Wistow Close – The Clerk rang the Street Lighting Department at LCC and was told “Leicestershire County Council will only consider returning lights to all-night operation on the grounds of road safety or crime (when supported by the police). They have worked closely with the police and in 12 years of part-night lighting operation there has been no evidence to indicate criminals target the part-lit areas after the streetlights switch off”. Members feel that as the residents would like the lights returned to all-night operation for reasons of vulnerability, they would request this again. Cllr Phillimore supported this and would take this matter further himself.

g) Repair of speed hump outside of school – The Clerk reported this to LCC – Highways after the last meeting. An Inspector has visited the site, however found the repair “to be within LCC – Highways guidelines and in line with repairs throughout the area. Not unduly severe given the 20mph limit on the road”. Members will monitor this to see if any problems arise. RESOLVED.

h) Kilby Church – Cllr Jones reported that since the last meeting he had circulated the email regarding monies raised for the church by the village to all members. The report he had received regarding the repairs and maintenance far exceed these amounts and although the Parish Council remained supportive there are no funds available. The proposed meeting room & toilet, towards which money had been raised and ‘ringfenced’, had not yet gone ahead. Cllr Tunnicliffe suggested the school might do a fundraiser along with the Get to Know Your Neighbours Group within the village. RESOLVED.

i) Petty thefts in Kilby Woodland – For information only – Cllr Jones reported there had been some thefts in the woodland area. He believed that it was some children visiting the pub with parents. Members of the Woodland Trust are aware.

87. Public Forum

School Fete, run by the PTA is scheduled for 26th June 2022 in the garden of the Dog & Gun.

Meeting closed at 8:50pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday 13th September 2022 at Kilby C of E Primary School at 7.30pm