



KINGSTEIGNTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4th January 2023 AT THE COMMUNITY HALL, RYDON ROAD, KINGSTEIGNTON AT 7.00pm

Present:

Mayor: Councillor Peart

Deputy Mayor: Councillor B Austen

Councillors: I Burrows, M Field, J Gregson, B Thorne, J Scagell, A Tillson-Hawke, J Stacey,
D Ripping, L Goodall, T Dempster

Town Clerk: Mrs M Lewis-Clarke

RFO: Mr P Banner

Deputy Town Clerk: Mrs J Rees

Members of the Public: Rev David Goddard

Police Report December 2022

November Police Report

2 x Nuisance ASB youths.

1 x Vehicle stopped under the influence.

2 x Shoplifting.

2 x Theft from motor vehicle.

1 x report of male with knife. Not as reported, children were role playing with plastic swords.

1 x criminal damage (Christmas tree lights).

1 x burglary.

1 x theft from doorstep.

Public Participation

There was no public participation

County Councillor R Peart's Report

No report.

District Councillors' Reports

Councillor B Austen



Teignbridge are launching a campaign to hear the views of their constituents on the next budget for 2023. They are seeking to ascertain the views of the public with regard to climate change, local economy, how to attract new business to our district and how to boost job opportunities they are also looking at the whole issue of affordable housing and better transport services.

The Council are also asking the public to inform them of how satisfied they are with their service. This usually produces lots of complaints as well as satisfactory comments. Teignbridge has acquired a grant of £40, 000 in the Tidy Teignbridge initiative. It is all about street cleaning and acquiring the means to improve street litter, dog waste bins, and non-mechanical equipment.

Grants are also being offered for between £200 and £2000 for schools and community groups for tree planting projects. I believe Kingsteignton is already making provision for another tree planting event, but this could be in addition to that project. Applications from November to March, money to be provided when the project is completed. Tree Council to be applied to.

No more TDC meetings until mid-January.

Concern is being expressed at the repeat of an advertising vehicle on the roundabout near Next. The police made provision for removal.

Councillor R Peart

No report.

Councillor D Rollason

No Report

Councillor B Thorne

I have been involved in trying to find out how the new houses in NA1 of the Teignbridge Local Plan are going to be powered - after the revelation that 2000 of the Teignbridge homes proposed on the outskirts of Exeter have yet to have their energy supplies finalised in that there is a shortage of electricity likely. I am of course investigating whether this could be a similar problem with the Newton Abbot new homes.

Meanwhile I am watching the developments of the TDC budget with some concern with what might well go ahead for a possibly new administration to try to manage.



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1/2023 Apologies

Resolved: Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Jones who was ill.

2/2023 To receive any declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

3/2022 To receive the Mayor's Report

June and I attended Teignmouth Civic Carol Service, this was held at Teignmouth Baptist Church.

The Mayor and Mayoress Iain and Jackie Palmer welcomed everyone, and the Revd Jamie Redfern led the Service with instrumental music and Christmas Memories read by Iain Palmer.

The Blessing by Revd Jamie Redfern, followed by The National Anthem, including lowering of the Standards. Afterwards everyone was invited for refreshments in the service hall. June and I enjoyed the Service and the music, and we managed to meet many people and catch up with local issues.

Kingsteignton Town Council held their Civic Carol Service on Friday 9th December

This was our first Carol Service since 2019 due to COVID. The Hall was full of residents and invited Mayors/Chairs.

Jackie Edwards our Town Crier opened the Carol Service, I welcomed everyone, and handed over to the Rev'd David Goddard who started the Carol Service with lighting an Advent Candle followed by our first Carol 'O come, all ye Faithful'

The first reading was by Miss Catherine Harris, followed by the Choir of Rydon Primary School.

The second reading was by Mr Rob Bovey followed by a further Carol, 'The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy'.

I then delivered my Address, which included a power point presentation on our year events. It was nice to look back on these events and thank everyone involved for their fund raising in the community and our staff for their hard work in making these events a success. Our final reading was by Jackie Edwards and Father Mark Smith. Songs were performed by Paul Cobby and Violinist Alys Tilson – Hawke and Anna Cockroft.



The Final Blessing by Rev'd David Goddard.

My Closing Thanks go to Rev'd David Goddard and the Kingsteignton Community Baptist Church for all their help with our service. To the pupils and teachers from Rydon Primary School, Miss Catherine Harris, Mr Rob Bovey, Mrs Jackie Edwards and Father Mark Smith, for their contribution in providing readings. To Paul Cobley, Alys Tillson – Hawks and Anna Cockroft for their outstanding performances. Also, to Rydon Primary School Choir who entertained us with their singing, they were fantastic.

I would like to thank all who attended our service which was followed by a buffet and drinks.

4/2023 To receive and approve the minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 7 December 2022

The mayor presented the minutes of the meeting held on 7th December 2022

Resolved: Minutes adopted

5/2023 To receive and approve the Clerk's Report

Clerk's Report January 2023

- Firstly, may I take this opportunity to wish all staff/Councillors and residents a prosperous 2023.
- I am now in my first month at the new Town Clerk and we have been fortunate to have 3 new staff join our team who are also in the first month.
- Our facilities maintenance staff have been busy around the town and have started clearing a footpath and the Leat at Crossley Moor Road.
- The sign requesting driver's slowdown has now been placed on the wall at Oakford and I have received a response from KOAP thanking us for this.
- The new gate at Clifford Park has now been repaired and the relevant sign placed on it requesting the gate is kept closed. I have also received thanks from a resident for doing so.
- The mayors civic carol service was a huge hit, and I would like to thank Cllr Peart for all his effort and support on this Council event.
- The collection at this service was to the mayors Charity and £214 was raised.
- I would also like to thank Rev David Goddard and all his team for their help in the kitchen at this event.
- We are obviously all aware of the damage that was caused to the Christmas tree located at the Fountain. Both myself and the Deputy Clerk have been liaising with police on this matter. I have received an update from PC Charlie Haggerty who has stated that as a result of viewing the CCTV footage screen shots of the offender have been obtained. These images will be published on the Force website for 21 days in hope that the offender can be identified for



the investigation to move forward. He will keep us updated regarding this investigation.

- I am unable to provide details as of the Police Clinic dates as unfortunately PS Morrison has not been on duty due to being unwell. I will of course progress this upon his return.
- I have booked all Cllrs and staff on a civility and respect course which will be held in the MHS on 22nd Feb 2023 at 6.30pm.

6/2023 To receive the minutes of the following Committees

Finance Committee – Cllr Ripping presented the minutes of the meeting held on 14th December 2022. **Approved**

Community Hall/Recreation Committee - Cllr Scagell presented the minutes of the meeting held on 14th December 2022. **Approved**

Works, Services and Planning Committee - Cllr Peart presented the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd November and 14th December 2022. **Approved.**

7/2023 Representative Reports

Ball Clay - no meetings

OPCC - Locally we will, hopefully, meet our new PCSO this evening and it is rumoured there might be an announcement about a Beat Manager in due course. I am looking forward to working with our office staff in sharing the representation of the Town, being aware of incidents and meeting visiting officers as fully as possible as I do meet the PCC from time to time and my full grasp of the facts might be useful in asking for more services and support for The Town rather than it all go to Newton Abbot!

I am seeing the PCC this afternoon about the Police budget so there might be some information in due course.

Climate Change - no report

Valencia - nothing further as I have not been notified that their planning application has been submitted.

Stover Park - no meetings of the upgrade board but should anyone hear of any meetings through the office, as the team has changed at Stover, please let me know as there are issues to follow through on. Of course, should anyone else like to be involved please let me know - not that I am certain there is a board now.



Kingsteignton Wild - We are trying to keep things going on the Facebook page but please keep mentioning and we will start to advertise the tree giveaway in February soon.

8/2023 Grass Cutting Contract. To discuss deferring the renewal of contract until The Procurement Policy has been drafted and authorised.

Resolved: that the current contract be rolled over until the Procurement Policy has been received and authorised.

9/2023 To discuss events to be held during 2023.

Resolved: that:

- DWT Free Tree Giveaway take place at The Fountain on 11th February 2023 time to be confirmed.
- Kings Coronation to take place on Saturday 6th May 2023 times to be confirmed.
- Kingsteignton In Bloom. Time and Date to be confirmed.
- Mayors Civic Carol Service. Time and Date to be confirmed.
- Outside Carol Service. Time/Date and location to be confirmed.
- Cllrs to forward any other ideas for events to Clerk for consideration.

10/2023 Approve and set budget/precept for 2023/2024 as proposed and agreed by the Finance Committee F73/2022.

Resolved: that:

- The budget for 2023/2024 was agreed. **Approved.**
Cllr Burrows(abstained)
- The precept for 2023/2024 was agreed. **Approved.**
Cllr Burrows abstained

This equates to an increase of £19.19 pa per Band D property (increase of 37p per week) and Precept Value: £328,301

11/2023 Correspondence

- Mrs Lewis-Clarke advised Council that a number of letters/emails have been received regarding The Mayors Civic Carol Service. All of which were extremely positive and thanked Kingsteignton Town Council for hosting an event that was a credit to the Town.
- Mrs Lewis-Clarke advised Council that a letter had been received from Mrs Carol Lakin thanking staff and Cllrs for her leaving gift.

The meeting closed at 7:38 pm

Next meeting: Wednesday 1st February 2023



Signed..... Dated: ...