



KINGSTEIGNTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 1st February 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, A Tillson-Hawke, D Ripping, L Goodall, T Dempster

Town Clerk: Mrs M Lewis-Clarke

Deputy Town Clerk: Mrs J Rees

Members of the Public: Ft Mark Smith

Police Report January 2023

January Police Report

PC Charlie Haggerty and PCSO Sharon Pratt attended the meeting and introduced themselves to Council as the new Policing Team for Kingsteignton.

- No Excuses Team have conducted 3 positive stops for drink drivers.
- There has also been stops on 2 vehicles with suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs.
- Police patrols have been paying attention to the toilets at the Fountain following reports of Anti-Social Behaviour and criminal damage at this location.
- Several Licensing visits have been carried out to the local public houses within the Town.
- They provided an update on current investigations in the Town.

Mrs Lewis-Clarke welcomed them to Kingsteignton Town.

Public Participation

There was no public participation.

County Councillor R Peart's Report

No report.

District Councillors' Reports

Councillor B Austen



Residents have the last opportunity to comment on the local plan from 23rd January for seven weeks to 13th March. So far, with representations made by previous invitations for comment, 7,000 have been received.

Any person who submits a written objection will have the right to appear before the Inspector at the Local Plan Examination Hearing at the end of public consultation.

Residents at the new Penn Inn Estate are objecting to the delay in completing works to the play facilities and open spaces and clearance of soil, overgrown hedges and general lack of completion of the facilities approved in the planning permission.
A meeting is being sought with the developer to try and expedite completion.

Teignbridge has several staff vacancies for senior officers serving the Council. Also, leisure vacancies and waste and recycling posts. Details can be found on the job's portal.

Application for Community Grant Funding available to District Councillors will be closing for some weeks before the next local election in May. Any remaining monies not allocated will be used to purchase trees to celebrate the Coronation. So local charities can still benefit where funds are unallocated and could be used for local causes.
Contact with ward councillors will ascertain if they have funds available.

Councillor R Peart

Electric car chargers

Nearly one third of all the UK public charging devices for electric vehicles are in London, according to new government data which shows 8,680 new charging devices were installed in the past year. As of January 2023, there were 37,055 public electric vehicle charging devices installed in the UK up 31% from a year before. The Government is aiming for there to be 300,000 charging devices in the UK by 2030. An LGA spokesperson said electric vehicles were only one way of achieving cleaner transport and that investment in cleaner and better bus networks and safer cycling and walking infrastructure were also important.

Councillor D Rollason

No Report

Councillor B Thorne

TDC is still dealing with the budget which will be put to the Full Council to authorise later in February. There seems to be some real concern that the reserves are quickly being spent and a shortfall in the future budgets will soon begin to seem very close. Nevertheless, there are ways to combat this situation which may or may not become clear from this administration in due course.



Personally, I have been dealing with the utility's installations at Higher Sandygate to service the Sands Copse Industrial Site which involved digging across the suspected site of the Roman Road. In conjunction with Mr Rob Bovey, we managed to at least get a DCC expert to view the excavation for evidence of the Roman Road so that in the future we could at least say for sure that the Roman Road had been in a certain location and perhaps of what design. However, it was concluded that there was no real additional evidence on this occasion that added to the understanding of the Road's precise location and structure. Equally there was nothing to dispel the notion either!

Today was a big day for planners and the government in that the National Green Infrastructure Framework has been launched where the main idea is to get Nature working for us in making developments in the future more suitable for wildlife and therefore building the benefits of the increasing wildlife effects into our quality of life while living in these new developments. Greening by design perhaps? A very positive step forward and one that TDC has been selected as a vanguard to test out some features including the early consultation on a Design Guide which is in the later stages I am led to believe which has already included a Citizens Panel for prioritising various issues. The release of early details of the Design Guide for Newton Abbot will be soon which I eagerly look forward to hearing about.

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY HALL, RYDON ROAD, KINGSTEIGNTON ON WEDNESDAY 4th January 2023 AT 7.15 PM

12/2023 Apologies

Resolved: Apologies received and accepted from Cllr Stacey and Cllr Scagell.

13/2023 To receive any declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest.

14/2022 To receive the Mayor's Report

15/2023 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 4th January 2023

Resolved: Minutes adopted

16/2023 To receive and approve the Clerk's Report



Clerk's Report February 2023

- I have this month applied for funding through the Tidy Teignbridge scheme. As yet I am unaware if we have been successful with this bid.
- I have also applied to the relevant utility companies regarding the siting of a new bus shelter near to the Drs surgery at Gestridge Road, Kingsteignton. I have liaised with Highways on this matter, and they have authorised the siting of it.
- Fernbank bus shelters have completed a site visit and I am awaiting their report on providing KTC a free bus shelter at this location in return for the advertising on it. Bishopsteignton have a number of these shelters which are aesthetically pleasing to the eye. They are also considering replacing another 3 older shelters within the Town and one further new Shelter to be placed on Greenhill Way once I have received the relevant authority's approval.
- I have also applied for a highways maintenance grant which would pay for the skips that we use to clear away any green/garden waste removed by our maintenance staff after clearing pathways etc. within the Town.
- Fire drill procedures have been carried out with 3 regular hall users and at points throughout the year further required procedures will take place.
- The grant application posters have gone out and placed on our website and Facebook page so please spread the news within the Town. The closing date for applications is Friday 17th Feb 23. This has also been advertised within the MDA.
- I have submitted the required Heritage statement along with the planning permission for the History boards.
- I have had a meeting with an Electric vehicle charging company who have agreed to install up to 5 EV points within the grounds of the CH free of charge, this is an agenda item for discussion. We previously had a quote from another company which was very expensive to install.
- The posters have gone out for the Free tree hub giveaway on 11th Feb 23 and this will be advertised on our website and Facebook page.
- Mrs Rees and Mrs Simmons have both attended an SLCC Publishers Course which will improve the quality of our newsletter.
- I have received notification from Ms Karen Holden that she will no longer deliver our newsletter, so I am looking into other options.
- I have attended a NALC meeting regarding the Kings Coronation Events. To date Buckingham Place have not released any details apart from expressing no beacons to be lit.
- Our facilities maintenance staff have been busy around the town and during the month of January the following tasks have been completed:
 1. Christmas tree at the Fountain removed.
 2. Telephone boxes glass panels replaced.
 3. Gate at side of community hall repaired and new padlock added to secure.
 4. To the rear of the CH behind the garage, this area has been completely cleared. A hard standing floor made, and a metal type shed erected to store all metal highway signs in.



5. The lock up has been completely cleaned out and all rubbish removed.
6. New shelving placed within the store and archive boxes placed on the shelves to prevent damage.
7. 2 x skips have been filled with waste and garden waste.
8. All rubbish has now been removed from behind the CH/Garage
9. New fencing ordered to replace broken fence around the outdoor play area used by Tiny Toes.
10. The leaf has been cleaned.
11. Graffiti cleaned from 2 bus shelters within the Town.
12. Footpath cleared which runs along Rydon Road after resident complaint.
13. Footpath cleared along Church Street which leads onto Greenhill way after resident complaint.
14. The boulders have been removed from the grass of the Community Hall onto the carpark. These will then be moved to the relevant boundary stone locations once the stones have been etched by Cllr Ripping/Stacey.
15. I have received an email from TDC regarding an ongoing vandalism problem at the Toilets at The Fountain. This has been reported to Police and a crime number received. TDC are looking into closing the toilets slightly earlier. If this is unsuccessful in eliminating the problem, then TDC will have to consider closing the toilets for a period of time in the hope that those causing the issues disperse.
16. Intercom fitted in the Clerk/RFO office to enable staff to answer residents when office closed.

17/2023 To receive the minutes of the following Committees.

Finance Committee – Cllr Ripping presented the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2023. **Approved**

Works, Services and Planning Committee - Cllr Peart presented the minutes of the meeting held on 4th and 18th January 2023. **Approved.**

18/2023 Representative Reports

Ball Clay - No report as no meetings – will contact Mr J Pike to see if recommencing or no longer operative?

OPCC

We are currently under new management locally within the Police with PCSO Pratt and PC Haggerty who seem to be doing a particularly visible amount of walking about and PR which is a wonderful thing. The PCC budget has been agreed with an increase of £15 per year for a band D property which is, incidentally, less than ours. I leave it to the Police to detail the numbers of crimes etc.



Parish Tree Warden

There has been a selection of native tree whips planted both sides of the stream in Sandygate Mill where there used to be mature alder and birch, just by the bridge. It is assumed it is the annual gift by the Teignbridge Green Spaces main contractor. The big spread of brambles being of little habitat significance below the tall fir trees was removed and it is planned to add some extra native perennials for the enjoyment of wildlife and residents together in the fullness of time.

The Stover Advisory Board

It is assumed that the board will meet no longer following satisfactorily winning the grant it was looking for. With delivery of the plan starting in earnest soon – the removal of the fir trees has taken place so we should be informed of the next stages soon.

Valencia (Frank Solutions) (Viridor)

It is likely the planning permission for the extension to the Landfill site will be submitted soon. It is possible the DCC councillor has heard if it has been submitted but I have not been informed so far. This will have far reaching effects on the locality without any doubt and I trust everyone will be ready to do what we all can do to monitor and suggest as many environmental damage mitigating schemes as possible.

Kingsteignton Wild -

Cllr Field has applied to the Ram Roast for a stand at the show. Hopefully we will be able to recruit some volunteers at the Tree giveaway – on Saturday 11/2/23 at the Fountain and the Ram Roast in May so that we can deliver some rewilding/wildlife encouraging and habitat protection activities building up to delivering the Wildlife Trail as soon as possible.

19/2023 To discuss and consider the installation of Electric Vehicle Charging points within the grounds of the Community Hall.

Resolved: that at this present time the consideration of charging points is not appropriate, and all agreed that this motion not be passed.

20/2023 To discuss and approve the events to be held during 2023.

Resolved: that the following dates be approved:

- Kingsteignton in Bloom 14th and 15th July 2023



- Kingsteignton in Bloom presentation 23rd August 2023
- Mayors Civic Carol Service 8th December 2023
- Outdoor Carol service 15th December 2023. With regards to this event, it was noted that in order for it to proceed a requirement would be for a suitable attendance of Cllrs to Marshall the event safely.
- Annual Town meeting 26th May 2023

AFTER MINUTE:

To comply with election legislation The Annual Town meeting date needs to fall between 10th -25th May 23. In view of this the date has been changed to **Friday 19th May 2023**.

21/2023 To review and approve the Redundancy and Re-organisation Policy.

Resolved: that: the policy be approved.

22/2023 To discuss and approve the dates for Police surgeries and allocate Councillors to attend each date.

Resolved: that: the surgeries take place on:

- Wednesday 22nd February 23 at 11.00 am in the Mary Hall suite, Community Hall Rydon Road, Kingsteignton. Cllrs Ripping and Dempster will be in attendance along with any other Councillors who are able.
- Friday 9th June 23 at 6pm in the Mary Hall suite, Community Hall Rydon Road, Kingsteignton.
- Wednesday 6th September 23 at 1pm in the Mary Hall suite, Community Hall Rydon Road, Kingsteignton.

Councillors will be allocated to the remaining dates after the election has taken place.

23/2023 To receive an update from the working party on events planned for the Kings Coronation event on Saturday 6th May 2023.

Mrs Rees on behalf of the working party provided the meeting with an update on events planned so far. These included:

- Mr Steve Parr will compere the event and perform tribute act.
- The Liberty Sisters will perform.
- The Back Beach Boyz will perform.
- Wizzbang children's entertainer.



- Mane events will provide assault course/bouncy castle/children's soft play area/giant connect 4/giant Jenga.
- Children's face painting by Faceglitzandglam.
- Craigs ice cream van
- Running Imp mementos.
- Coffestopsouthwest
- The Fat Pony Gourmet burgers and loaded fries.
- The box bar.
- 2 x First aid medics.
- An online charity auction to be organised.
- Judo display
- Police cadets to attend and fingerprint etc.
- Kingsteignton Baptist Church.

The budget set for this event was £4000 and to date £3000 has been allocated with these bookings.

Resolved: that:

- All bookings be confirmed.
- Timings and timetable to be confirmed once Buckingham Palace have released official times for the Coronation.
- Event to be advertised accordingly.

The committee thanked Mrs Lewis-Clarke and Rees for their organisation so far.

Working Party to meet on Wednesday 15th Feb 23.

24/2023 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Next meeting: Wednesday 1st March 2023

Signed..... Dated: ...

