

KINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES: of the Meeting of Council on 16th September, 2021 commencing at 7.35 pm in our Lady Star of the Sea Hall, East Preston.

PRESENT: Councillors Walker (Chairman), Buckenham, Jolly, Joyce, Kenning and Masson.
District Cllr Bower. Nadine Phibbs (Locum Clerk)

- 82/21 **Welcome** – Cllr Walker welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 83/21 **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies were received from Cllr Wetherell and District Cllrs Chapman and Kelly.
- 84/21 **Urgent Matters Arising** – Council has received details of the Arun District Council Street Trading and Markets Policy Consultation that is open until 25th October. It was noted that the consultation related primarily to the rules and regulations that have not been reviewed since the 1980's. It was agreed that KPC will not make any comments.
- 85/21 **Declarations and Dispensations of Interests** – Further to declarations held in the Register of Members Interests, in the interest of openness, Cllrs Kenning, Masson and Walker declared membership of Kingston Gorse Estate and Cllr Jolly declared membership of West Kingston Residents Association.
- 86/21 **Public Opportunity** – No members of the public were present.
- 87/21 **Minutes** – The Council approved Minutes of the Meeting held on the 22nd July, 2021.
- 88/21 **Matters Arising from the Minutes** -There was nothing to mention.
- 89/21 **West Sussex County Council:**
- a) **Report of County Councillor Elkins** - Councillor Elkins was not present at the meeting and there was no report provided.
 - b) i To consider correspondence from a resident about litter left along Kingston Lane and his offer to seek to arrange for the landowner of a pull-in most affected to place a sign on his land requesting that no litter is deposited. To also consider if there are other ways to reduce litter/rubbish being dropped along the lane.
It was felt that a sign would not be effective and it was suggested that the resident could propose to the landowner owner to either install a camera or erect a gate/bollards.
 - ii Cllr Walker advised that she has previously asked County Cllr Elkins to investigate as to why the verges along Kingston Lane had not been cut and it appears that the verges had been omitted from the cutting programme. To date the verges still haven't been cut. This will be reported to County Cllr Elkins. There was a further concern regarding the fig tree by Pond Corner that is encroaching the road. This will be reported to County Cllr Elkins.
 - iii Cllr Walker advised that a meeting with East Preston Parish Council and the West Sussex Cabinet Member for Highways to discuss the Roundstone crossing layout and the implications for highways re planning application A/168/21/PL is scheduled for 24th September 2021.
 - iv It was reported that there are two pot holes on the southbound carriageway between the pond and the Kingston Gorse Estate barrier that should be reported to County.
 - c) **Operation Watershed** - Council noted that Cllr Walker has been in touch with Sue Furlong with the hope of arranging a site meeting. Sue Furlong wishes to consult with a Drainage Engineer prior to arranging the site visit.
- 90/21 **Arun District Council:**
- a) **Report of District Councillors** – District Cllr Bower reported on various District Council matters, including:

- Full Council has held their first in person meeting in the Chamber since the start of the pandemic. There were a number of motions relating to the new Constitution and the change over to a Committee system from a Cabinet system.
- In relation to Rampion 2 Consultation, ADC has lodged a holding objection and suggest that further study is required. At a recent Development Control Meeting a proposal for commissioning an independent impact report on the surrounding areas was discussed.
- The TPO has been agreed for the three trees on the verge when travelling west along the A259 at the Old Worthing Road exit from the New Barn roundabout.
- The potential review of the Local Plan has been delayed until new planning rules have been approved by Government. The review of the Local Plan will be discussed at the next ADC Planning Policy Meeting on 9th October to agree the way forward.

District Cllr Bower left the meeting.

- b) **Litter and dogs out of control along the Greensward** - Cllr Walker advised that Cllr Chapman has been to the Greensward and the Bluebird Café and has reported no issues apart from a vast amount of dog fouling. It was acknowledged that the centre dog and litter bins have been removed from the Kingston Gorse Greensward at the request of the Kingston Gorse Estate. The impact of the removal of the bins needs to be assessed and discussed with Kingston Gorse Estate if problems continue.

- 91/21 **Policing** – PCSO Bonnie Scovell attended the meeting and advised the following:
- Her assignment as the PCSO is a temporary posting whilst a permanent PCSO is appointed and receives training.
 - She has established that Neighbourhood Watch is operating within the Parish and reminded all that crimes should be reported.
 - It was confirmed that from 1st August to date, there has been no calls or crimes reported.
 - Concerns were raised regarding cycling and dog control and when the Bluebird Café is busy, this attracts more people onto the Greensward. The PCSO Scovell advised that now that she is aware, she will patrol this area.
 - Cllr Buckenham offered PCSO Scovell a tour of the Parish.
- 92/21 **Planning Committee** – Council noted the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd July, 2021. All present had been present at the committee meeting held earlier in the evening thus a verbal report was not necessary but the proceedings were noted.
- 93/21 **Finance and General Purposes Committee** – Council noted the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd July, 2021. All present had been present at the committee meeting held earlier in the evening, thus a verbal report was not necessary but the proceedings were noted and the recommendations agreed.
- 94/21 **Rampion 2 Consultation** –
- a) Council noted that the Rampion 2 formal consultation closes today, 16th September, 2021 and noted the KPC submission to the consultation
 - b) Council noted the positive response received from other parishes, Nick Gibb MP and Andrew Griffith MP.
- 95/21 **Eastern Arun Parishes Group (EAPG)** – Council noted that there was nothing further to advise since the report from the previous meeting held on 12th July, 2021.
- 96/21 **South Strand Community Toilets (SSCT)** – Cllr Buckenham confirmed that there are no issues with the facilities, however the flower boxes could benefit from a tidy up.
- 97/21 **Items to be referred to next Agenda or for information only** –
- Cllr Buckenham asked that Fire Hydrants are included on the next agenda.
 Cllrs Masson & Walker attended the Rustington Community Awards on 12th September.
 The Kingston & East Preston Remembrance Services will be held in November.
 Council thanked Nadine Phibbs for acting as the Locum Clerk.

98/21 **Next scheduled meeting of Council and its Committees:** Council noted the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 18th November, 2021 at 7pm in Our Lady, Star of the Sea Hall, East Preston.

The meeting concluded at 8.50 pm.

Chairman:

Date: