

Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Full Kimberley Town Council** held on the **28th October 2021**, in the Parish Hall starting at 7.00 pm.

Present	Cllr N Doherty	Cllr J Dymond	Cllr A Mason
	Cllr S McEntee	Cllr N Oakden	Cllr J Pearce
	Cllr R Plumb - Vice Chairman		Cllr T Rood - Chairman
	Cllr J Wickham	Cllr I Wilson	

County Cllr	Cllr P Owen		
Borough Cllrs	Cllr M Crow	Cllr S Eason	Cllr R Robinson

Council Officers	J Darbyshire	Asst. Town Clerk
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Members of the Public - Two

TC/21/72 **Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Bain, Cllr K Boettge and Cllr E Tansley.

TC/21/73 **Declarations of interest**

No declarations of interests were made by attending Councillors in respect of items listed on the formal agenda.

TC/21/74 **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Town Council held on the 30th September 2021, having been circulated to all Councillors, were taken as read and noted. Subject to the following amendments the meeting adopted the minutes as a true and accurate record and approved their signature by the Chairman at a future convenient date.

Cllr J Wickham was present.

TC/21/75 **County Councillor Report**

Cllr P Owen reported on the following matters:

- **Gilthill parking** Public consultation to implement double yellow lines ends at the end November 2021. Kimberley Town Council to write and support the proposal.
- **Nine Corners pedestrian crossing** Nottingham County Council have carried out a pedestrian and vehicle count – awaiting results.
- **High Street junction** Feasibility study received.
- **School crossing Gilthill school** Study ongoing
- **Nine Corners** Vegetation issues ongoing – will make contact again.
- **Sainsbury's carpark** Agreement states there are to be no changes without consent from Nottingham County Council. Awaiting feedback from correspondence.

- **Footpath rear of Goodwin Drive** Has been cleared.
- **Footpath Babbington Village to Strelley** Have completed user evidence forms and examination of historical documents – waiting for outcome. Cllr R Plumb stated two additional footpaths still need looking at, Cllr P Owen to address. Cllr S Mc Entee stated Awsworth subway is still flooding, Cllr P Owen to chase up. Cllr S McEntee also commented that there is offensive graffiti in the subway.
- **Knowle Hill parking** There have been complaints from residents about users of the Chapel parking on Knowle Hill. Cllr T Rood stated Chapel users are advised to park in the Chapel driveway where possible. Also, some of the parked cars are using the Stag public house. Cllr P Owen is to meet with some residents once he is able to.
- **Flower beds and Sainsbury's handrails** It was noted that Sainsbury's have now taken responsibility for their flower beds and handrails and work is being carried out. Other flower beds in Kimberley still need sorting by the relevant authorities responsible for their upkeep.

TC/21/76

Borough Councillors Report

Cllr S Easom reported on the following matters:

- **Kimberley precinct parking** Complaints have been received from members of the public who have been unfairly issued with parking fines. Some disputed fines have been cancelled. The equipment being used to monitor parking needs looking at.
- **Swingate Defibrillator** Blue box scheme to be investigated by Kimberley Town Council.
- **Disabled access to Holy Trinity Church grounds** Planners have been contacted.
- **Brewery site tower** Ideally needs keeping in its original form. Cllr S Easom spoke with Steve Midgley from Fairgrove Homes who stated work should be completed in two to two and a half years.
- **Levelling Up** The Scheme isn't being progressed by Broxtowe Borough Council as it should be. No contact had been made with Kimberley Cricket Club in reference to obtaining their grounds until recently. Kimberley Town Council need to put pressure on Broxtowe Borough Council.

Cllr M Crow reported on the following matters:

- Christmas street market has been taken over by Matt Haslam this year. It was too late to close James Street so will be in Kimberley school and Kimberley Parish Hall. A meeting is to take place early 2022 to discuss requirements for Christmas market going forward.
- Hoping for there to be a regular market in 2022 if there is enough interest.

Cllr R Robinson reported on the following matters:

- It has been agreed to have a meeting with the Operations Director in respect of Kimberley precinct carpark operators, date to be arranged.

- There has been a meeting at Kimberley school in respect of Kimberley Leisure Centre. Feedback to follow.

TC/21/77

Licensing – Queens Head

The police are opposed to the Queens Head receiving a license. A meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 2nd November. It was agreed that Cllr T Rood is to represent the council and Cllr A Mason is to represent the residents.

TC/21/78

Levelling Up

Cllr N Oakden has had a walkabout with consultants. The Cricket Club have stated they are prepared to move if the right facilities can be found elsewhere. New sites are being sought. An agreement needs to be reached for the project to progress. Completion dates could possibly be extended as long as work is already underway. Cllr N Doherty stated Broxtowe Borough Council have enlisted an architect to start working, feedback expected week commencing 1st November 2021. Cllr J Dymond suggested we look at alternate sites for the community hub in case the Cricket Club don't move.

Cllr R Robinson departed at 8.00pm.

TC/21/79

Planning Applications

Cllr M Crow thought the houses on Oak Lodge Drive should be allowed to go ahead with their improvements as the houses are freezing in the cold weather. She thought the houses should be allowed to be brought inline with the Brewery site. Cllr R Plumb said double glazing wasn't the issue, they should be wood though not upvc.

TC/21/80

Maintenance Schedule

The Assistant Clerk informed that the planter on Toll Bar Square has broken and that quotes are still being obtained in respect of the fire at the Stag Recreation Ground.

Cllr I Wilson has been informed by Steve Woodward that they have not got the manpower to do any more hedge cutting. Platts have too much work to take any more on. Cllr S Easom suggested contacting Matt Blant or John Blant, contact details given to Cllr I Wilson who will progress. It was suggested allotment users should do their own hedges, contracts to be checked by the Clerk. A walkabout has been scheduled by Cllr N Doherty for Friday 5th November to assess the situation.

TC/21/81

Swingate Residents Working Group

Cllr N Doherty is working with Tim Crawford on ideas for Knowle Park. To meet on site with the Swingate Working Group in the next two weeks. Cllr S Easom suggested contacting Broxtowe Borough Council and Grant Aid for extra funding. Also to ask Tim Crawford for suggestions. Cllr S Easom is happy to attend the meetings.

- TC/21/82** **Future of Kimberley Leisure Centre**
Negotiations are ongoing between Kimberley School and Liberty Leisure. East Midlands Educational Trust are hoping for a joint use agreement going forward.
- TC/21/83** **Zeon Bar**
Patrons are blocking the pavement and spilling out onto the road. The police and licensing are aware and are monitoring the situation. Kimberley Town Council to raise a complaint. Cllr P Owen to contact the Highways Officer.
- Cllr P Owen departed at 8.45pm.
- TC/21/84** **Questions from the public**
The list previously provided by Gordon Barksby was read out. All noted and action to be taken where appropriate. The Clerk to advise G Barksby his items have been discussed and noted.
- TC/21/85** **Correspondence**
Termination of contract with Peninsula has been agreed. Six months notice has been agreed and given.
- TC/21/86** **Accounts for payment**
Circulated with the agenda papers for this meeting was a list of accounts received since the last meeting of the Town Council. This list was received, noted and approved by the meeting.
- TC/21/87** **Dates of next meetings**
Estates & Environment Thursday 11th November 2021
Finance Thursday 18th November 2021
Full Council Thursday 25th November 2021
- TC/21/88** **Exclusion of the Public and Press**
It was **resolved** to exclude the public and Press from the remaining part of the meeting, since they include matters defined by the Local Government Act 1972 and the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960. These matters relate to Staffing, and financial contracts and related aspects. (A record of decisions made is recorded on a formal attachment to these minutes, for the information of Town Councillors and Council Officers ONLY.)
- The public and remaining Broxtowe Councillors departed at 8.55pm.