Kimberley Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Kimberley Town Council** held on **Thursday 24**th **November 2022**, in the Parish Hall starting at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr S Boneham Cllr N Doherty Cllr J Dymond

Cllr D Fewster Cllr A Mason Cllr N Oakden
Cllr R Plumb – Vice Chair Cllr T Rood – Chair Cllr E Tansley

Cllr J Wickham Cllr I Wilson
County Cllr: Cllr P Owen

Borough Cllrs: None

Council Officers: J Darbyshire - Acting Town Clerk and J Robertson - RFO

Members of the Public: One

TC/22/363 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr S Bain (away), Cllr S McEntee, Borough Cllr M Crow (held up) and Borough Cllr R Robinson (another meeting).

Also absent, no apologies given, Cllr J Pearce and Borough Cllr S Easom.

TC/22/364 **Declarations of Interest**

Cllr J Dymond declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item TC/22/375 Grant Application in respect of Kimberley Institute Cricket Club and Cllr T Rood TC/22/381 Accounts for Payment in respect of the Chapel on the Hill.

TC/22/365 Minutes of Full Council

The Minutes of Full Council Meeting 27th October, having been circulated to all Councillors, were taken as read and noted. The meeting adopted the minutes as a true and accurate record and they were signed by the Chair.

TC/22/366 Reports from County Councillor

Cllr P Owen reported on the following matters:-

If no objections are received the junctions of Cornfield Road with Almond Close, Ruislip Close and Alma Hill and the junction of Edgwood Road and Abba Close along with Brewery Street and the turning head will all have traffic regulation orders put in place with the implementation of double yellow lines. If there are any objections it will have to go to the Cabinet.

There have been reports of flooding on Hayley Close near the A610. The gully has been cleared but ongoing maintenance will be required to keep it clear.

There has also been flooding outside Kimberley Caravans due to leaves blocking the drain and in the Swingate area due to volume of water. All areas are now clear but will be checked.

It was reported the drains at the end of Newdigate Street and the bottom of Brewery Street are blocked, will arrange for them to be checked.

Cllr Owen said he will chase up the ongoing issue with the dangerous Openreach inspection Cover on Main Street. The Clerk to email the reference number.

Comments were made on the lack of a pedestrian crossing at Nine Corners. Were advised the agreement between Broxtowe Borough Council and the developers was for the developers to install a central reservation on a Section 106 agreement before the first house was occupied. Cllr Owen agreed to raise the situation with Paul Hillier.

TC/22/367 Reports from Borough Councillors

None

TC/22/368 Committee Updates

The Events Committee members gave a brief update on the meeting on 1st November 2022. The disappointment on the excessive charges from Broxtowe Borough Council on previous Christmas Light Switch-On events was voiced. Thanks were given to everyone who helped make the event this year a huge success.

The Chair of the Estates and Environment Committee gave a brief update on the meeting on 10th November 2022. Knowle Park development will be progressing early 2023. To find out from Broxtowe Borough Council if any more bulb planting at the Chapel is still to be done.

TC/22/369 **Policies and Procedures**

The Computers & Technologies Policy will be brought back to the next Full Council meeting with an amendment. The Press & Media Policy was adopted.

TC/22/370 Warm Hub

It was **resolved** that Kimberley Town Council in conjunction with Rumble Tums will provide a Warm Hub every Wednesday between 10.00am and 2.00pm starting on 30th November 2022. If the need arises Kimberley Town Council will look at providing another Warm Hub on an additional day.

TC/22/371 Office Cover

It was **resolved**, where possible, the Clerk and the RFO will cover each other in the office during annual leave. A minimum cover of 10.00am until 2.00pm Monday to Friday will be required. Any extra hours needed to cover the job to be paid as overtime. In emergencies, i.e. sickness, Councillors will cover the office for a few hours per day.

Cllr P Owen and the member of public left at 7.40pm.

TC/22/372 Valentine's February 2023

Proposal by the Events Committee to hold a Valentine's Event in February 2023 has been withdrawn. To form a working group with the pubs and restaurants to arrange entertainment in the venues for Valentine's 2023.

TC/22/373 Purchase of Illuminated Hearts

Proposal to purchase four illuminated hearts has been withdrawn.

TC/22/374 **Boundary Commission**

A short discussion took place about the Boundary Commission. It was agreed individuals should make any comments direct.

TC/22/375 **Grant Applications**

Application from the Parish Nursing Ministries was declined.

Application from Kimberley Institute Cricket Club has been deferred awaiting further information.

It was agreed that the grant application form needs updating.

TC/22/376 **Public Question Time**

None

TC/22/377 **Planning Applications**

Kimberley Town Council to send an objection in respect of the potential demolition of 4 Church Hill to permit future residential development.

TC/22/378 Correspondence

A schedule of correspondence received since the previous meeting of the Town Council was circulated to Councillors with the agenda. The information was received and noted by the meeting.

A letter has been received from the Charity Commission asking for clarification on a number of points in respect of the Miners Recreation Ground. Have sent confirmation of receipt and advised we will reply once clarification has been received from the Solicitor.

TC/22/379 **Meeting Schedule 2023**

Circulated with the agenda papers for reference.

TC/22/380 **2023/24 Budget**

Second draft was circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.

TC/22/381 **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/22/382 **Dates of Next Meetings**

Estates and Environment – Thursday 12th January 2023

Full Council – Thursday 26th January 2023

TC/22/383 **Exclusion of Public and Press**

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A of the Local Government Act, 1972, the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act (Staffing Issue).

TC/22/384 **Staff Salaries**

All matters were agreed.