



Kemble & Ewen Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Friday 13 October 2017 at 7.30pm in Kemble Village Hall

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Present: Parish Councillors – Roger Pettit, Michael Binks, Sohrab Sorabjee, David Ball, George Collins, Lester Napper, Eric Silk, Carol Dougill, and Nicky Baber.

Clerk - Liz Hall

Tony Berry – District Councillor – left 8.50pm

Residents – ten residents including Luke Sherlock, Stu Banham and Gabi Sommerville who each spoke regarding the Kemble Community Gardens site (K2 in the local plan) and possible housing plans.

Residents wanted an update regarding the site, as a modified site map has been seen with an enlarged area proposed for housing.

RP thanked Luke for his well set out report identifying problems with the modified plans. (TB agreed to forward this report to CDC) RP and TB had recently attended a meeting at CDC to discuss the site and RP confirmed the new plans of K2 showed housing covering a larger area than before, nearer to Railway Terrace, with green space spread out over the site. He said the cares and concerns of KCGs about these modifications are shared by the PC.

It was noted the plan is only 'indicative' and it is still in the early stages of discussion. TB has stressed to CDC, that the PC together with residents want to be consulted as the discussions progress. RP confirmed he would meet with affected residents as appropriate, so all are kept informed. The main aims of the PC would be to reduce the area for building to a similar density as Old Manor Gardens, for it to be on the RHS of the plot and to ensure the houses would be as inconspicuous as possible.

RP has had discussion with CDC regarding an extension to the lease for the land and is optimistic that KCGs should be able to plan for another year at least.

Stu Banham expressed concern regarding the impact on Station Road and Old Manor Gardens during any construction at K2. He also asked for an update on the proposed village parking scheme. The meeting noted that GCC must carry out a second consultation, this will be an opportunity for residents to contribute any ideas regarding the proposals. It is hoped that the process be completed by January 2018 and that any signage will be as discreet as possible to avoid urbanisation of the village.

Gabi Sommerville offered to prepare a site map identifying any trees of significant interest.

Tony Berry, District Councillor –

- *Car parking* – RP asked to chase GCC
- *Local Plan* – hearings taking place with the inspectorate
- *Publica* – a new group, being set up to work with CDC
- *KCGs/K2* – TB confirmed he would request CDC to consult with residents in Manor House Gardens, Station Road, Windmill Road and Railway Terrace.

1. **Apologies** – none received
2. **Declarations of interest** – none declared
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 15 September 2017 were approved and signed**

Meeting agreed to discuss item 8 before item 4, to allow TB to be present. For minutes, see item 8 below.

4. **Matters arising from previous meetings**

- a. Highways update – NTR
- b. Police crime report / Neighbourhood Watch – no report from the police to discuss. A crime report from OCSI 2016 showing unsatisfactory figures for Kemble was discussed. ES to send the figures to TB, MB to compare figures with nearby villages and RP to write to local MP with findings.
- c. Update on possible cemetery site and fees – nothing to report
- d. Playground inspections – still no weekly inspection reports sent in. LH to chase.
- e. Appearance of the village – bulbs planted
- f. Neighbourhood Development Plan – see item 8.
- g. Sports grant for changing rooms on the football field – nothing to report
- h. Repair to wall at Lydwel Spring – M. Patch has again confirmed the work is on his list.
- i. Kemble Village Landscape Appraisal – has been produced, electronic version due shortly.
- j. Consultation for Kemble Parking Scheme – RP to chase
- k. Road Safety – Speed-watch sessions taking place regularly.
- l. Land at Windmill Road & Clayfurlong Grove – nothing heard from CDC
- m. Kemble Churchyard – Planning application is in for work on yew tree. GC to talk to churchwarden before any work starts.
- n. Permissive path between Kemble and Ewen – waiting for KH to carry out.
- o. Hedges on Station Road – letters written and distributed.
- p. Grass cutting contract – see item 7
- q. Local Plan – A Planning Inspector had been appointed to review the CDC's Local Plan and would be conducting hearings over a couple of weeks to determine whether the plan and its preparation satisfactorily meets requirements.
RP attended the hearings to question the proposed increased numbers of houses allocated to Kemble when further consultation hasn't taken place.
NB was questioned regarding her report (representing the KCGs) in advance of her attendance at the hearings on 17 October. This reads that all residents of Kemble are against the proposed housing on the site of KCGs/K2. After discussion it was agreed that as only a small percentage of residents had been polled, the statement was inaccurate. NB agreed to give a statement to the hearings that not all residents had been approached.

5. Defibrillators – meeting approved transfer of £1,000 to the Community Heartbeat Trust (Kemble Account) to purchase replacement batteries and new pads. However, the PC would like to see some fundraising from the defibrillator committee, so costs are shared.

6. Business Plan – requests for 2018/19 included monies for further first aid courses, update of the brochure for new parishioners, an amount for WW1 commemorations, more trees, preparation of the VDS and an allowance for miscellaneous projects, such as maintenance of the beehive.

7. Tender for grass cutting – advertising expenditure was approved. LH and DB to prepare tender requirements and maps (MB kindly offered to help with these)

8. NDP – The NDP steering group met with two consultants over the last 6 months. The NDP steering group, Roger Pettit and Martin Kingston met the third consultant Kirkwalls on 2nd October. Consensus following this meeting was that Kirkwalls are the most suitable. ES presented a short report on Kirkwalls giving proposed timetable and costs. They have been involved with 30+ NDPs, many for villages like Kemble. Being used to this type of project, it is anticipated they would be able to take over much of the legwork, including grant applications. PC moved to appoint Kirkwalls, subject to their applying and successfully receiving a grant for the initial funding.

9. Planning items - ongoing

- a. Top Farm – new tree to replace the one cut down by Bovis to be planted in November
- b. Kemble Airfield – nothing to report.

New Planning Applications – to decide response

189 Station Road, Kemble

17/01709/FUL - Creation of vehicular access onto Windmill Road and installation of driveway. Partial demolition of wall.

No objection

Jackaments Bottom Farmhouse, Rodmarton

17/03641/FUL - Erection of stables

No objection

Barnstone Cottage Ewen

17/03739/FUL - Proposed additional two storey extension (amendment to previously approved scheme 16/04557/FUL)

No objection

The Orchard Old Forge Ewen

17/03764/FUL - Proposed conversion of existing garage to ancillary accommodation and erection of carport and shed

No objection to the proposed conversion of existing garage to ancillary accommodation and erection of carport and shed application.

However, would like to ensure the ancillary accommodation remains part of The Orchard and be occupied solely as guest accommodation or as ancillary accommodation to the dwelling

PC noted planning applications pending and decisions reported (as Agenda)

11. Finance matters

- i) Payment approved for external audit – £200 plus VAT.
- ii) Schedule of accounts – payments 16 September to 13 October approved.
- iii) Bank Reconciliation – 9th October 2017– noted and signed.

12. Any other business for discussion, and not requiring a decision, subject to the Chairman's approval

- a) identified tree works on the A429 to commence shortly.
- b) RP and LH to assess village gate and order new.
- c) Steve Marsh looking at ways to share parish news through social media.
- d) LH to find whether the owner's consent had been given for vehicular access across the grass verge at 21 Windmill Road

Meeting Finished at 11.20

KEPC Finance – Payments 16 September to 13 October 2017

Cheque No.	Date	To	Purpose	Total £ (inc VAT)	Power to spend
102330	29/09/2017	Tree Maintenance Ltd	Report and survey of Churchyard yew tree	132.00	LGA1972 s.215(1)&(2)
102331	29/09/2017	Kemble Village Hall	Room Hire – PC and NDP	90.00	LGA1972 s.134(4)
102332	06/10/2017	Cottage Garden Services	Mowing - September	636.00	HA 1980 s.96
102333	11/10/2017	Mrs E A Hall	Salary for October and reimbursement of expenses.	428.82	LGA1972 s112(2) LGA 1972 s.111