

Kemberton Parish Council
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting
held in the Kemberton Village Hall
on Wednesday 18th July 2018 at 7.30pm.

Present:	Cllrs Martyn Bidgood (Chairman); Mary Wright; Ian Amos; James Rennison; Giles Greenwood; Phillip Jones
In attendance:	Vanessa Voysey (Clerk); Cllr Michael Wood

1. CHAIR WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, postponed due to the previous week's meeting being inquorate. Cllr Wood was welcomed.

Announcement: Cllr Ian Amos announced that he would be standing down at the end of the meeting, after 20 years on the Council including 5 years in the Chair. He will be moving out of the village and said he did not think he would be able to represent the village as fully as he would prefer as a non-resident. Cllr Amos said that during his time on the Council everyone had been wonderful and all the meetings had been held in an atmosphere of respect.

On behalf of the Council and the village, the Chair thanked Councillor Amos for all his work.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr Mark Lea

3. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Cllr Phil Jones – personal interest in Item 16, he is treasurer to St Andrew's Church, Kemberton

4. DISPENSATION

None at this time

5. REPORT FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLOR

Cllr Michael Wood welcomed the new Chairman and thanked Cllr James Rennison for all his work. He also thanked Cllr Ian Amos for all his work and wished him good luck for the future. He thanked everyone on the Parish Council for all the work they continue to do in Kemberton.

Shropshire Council continues to struggle with the budget particularly adult social care and children in care, both of which are hard to budget for because of sometimes unpredictable needs. The deficit currently runs at £8M. Central Government allocated special grants but they were not adequate to plug the gap.

The upcoming 'Fair Funding' will hopefully bring change in the right direction, but personally Cllr Wood is not optimistic.

Renew/Imperial Bricks are due to move on 12th July from Grindle to Crowgreaves. Cllr Wood has met with the trustees of Apley Estate and Planning to discuss it. An agreement has been made to open up stays to allow easier egress and access. Highways have said it will be safe with the new stays. No more deliveries will be made into Grindle after the move into Crowgreaves. At ShireHall, the budget has been set with money taken out of the Highways budget. It is likely this will happen again next year. Kier were appointed as new contractors and have been in post since April. There are 3,000 miles of secondary roads in Shropshire, second only to Yorkshire. The horrendous winter has not helped. Cllr Wood accepted there were problems in places with deep potholes and advised Councillors that he will be speaking up on Monday and requesting that more is done in this area.

There is no sign of planning enforcement and cases diminishing.

Cllr Wood also mentioned his concern at the need to encourage more commerce into the area. Big companies want housing for workers as well as a big plant.

Cllr Rennison expressed concern at road safety. The area is popular with cyclists – there are places where cars move into the middle of the road to avoid the potholes, meeting a peloton cycling around a corner could end in a nasty accident.

Cllr Greenwood mentioned the state of the roads in Grindle and asked what Shropshire Council intended to do about it. Cllr Wood replied that there were processes to go through, he also commented that there would be an informative opportunity to attend the SALC conference on compliance and enforcement.

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

None at this time

7. MINUTES

Acceptance of the Minutes of 9th May 2018 - Proposed by Cllr James Rennison and Seconded by Cllr Mary Wright. All agreed.

8. MATTERS ARISING

None at this time

9. HIGHWAYS

Shropshire Council wrote to all Shropshire Town and Parish Councils on 16th July to inform of a proposed interim suspension of new community led road safety concerns. The Highways and Transport capital budget has been reduced by £5M in each of the next two financial years (2018/19 and 2019/20). Town and Parish Councils should continue to contact the local highways teams to discuss areas of concern.

Cllr Bidgood, in the Chair, said that he had been approached about the end of Hall Lane by a number of people. He is still getting complaints about the junction, and expressed concern that given the correspondence from Shropshire Council it is unlikely anything will be done unless there is a serious accident.

Cllr Greenwood commented on the state of the roads in Grindle and said that in parts they have been totally destroyed.

Cllr Rennison also commented on the state of the roads and that to make a claim of damage to a vehicle, negligence has to be proved, which can be very difficult. Cllr Bidgood, in the Chair, said that as a Council we have to state that we are not happy with the state of the roads. The condition of roads in local areas affects all of us who need to travel in or out of the village. Of particular concern are the roads in and around Grindle; the road past Little Mytton; and the A4169 from Hem Lane onwards.

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to the Transport and Highways Portfolio Holder at Shirehall with a copy to be sent to Cllr Michael Wood.

10. BROADBAND

Fibre Optics is now in place. The Chair, Cllr Bidgood, has been in touch with Airband and B.T. Anyone on Airband will have to give 30 days' notice to change to Airband or will lose B.T. benefits. It is possible there will be additional expenses for some consumers.

The Chair, Cllr Bidgood, thanked Mark Moss for the progress that has been made in this project.

11. AED

Cllr Lea had put a leaflet in the last two newsletters but has not had any feedback as yet. Everyone should be aware of the open policy.

Cllr Bidgood said that there was a possibility of getting a training session set up and he will be getting more information about it.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. A letter of thanks has been received from the residents who sought assistance from the Parish Council in filing their local connection paperwork with the Planning Department.

13. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Reference: 18/02097/FUL (validated 10/4/18)

Address: Heathmount, Mill Lane, Kemberton, *TF11 9LH*

Proposal: Erection of new single storey extensions driveway alterations (amended description)

Concern was expressed about introducing a new access in proximity to the T-junction and whether it does improve access and safety to the area.

14. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS

Reference: 18/01831/FUL (validated: 30/4/2018)

Address: Montrose, Grooms Lane, Kemberton, *TF11 9LS*

Proposal: Erection of first floor extension, formation of first floor accommodation, single storey side extension

Decision: Refused

Noted

15. GRINDLE HOUSE FARM AND REN-NEW

The report from Cllr Wood confirmed the moving out date as 12th July.

It was agreed to keep the item on the Agenda for the next meeting.

16.FINANCE

a) It was **Resolved** to agree and sign the following cheque payments

<i>Cheque Number</i>	<i>Payee</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
469	ICO	Fees	£40
470	Post Office Ltd (for Shropshire Council)	Elections Recharge	£100
471	Clerk Salary + Expenses	Salary + travel + expenses	£209.57
Not Due	HMRC	Tax	£3
472	Void	Clerical Error	Nil
473	Void	Clerical Error	Nil
474	Kaleidoscope Theatre	Donation	£45
475	St Andrew's Church	Donation	£100

b) Income received – bank interest of 20p, precept £3,090 – noted

c) *To sign*

i) It was **Resolved** to agree and sign the reconciliation and bank Statements for end of the month of May 2018

ii) It was **Resolved** to agree Receipts and Payments for end of the month of May 2018

All in favour

17.AOB

The Chair said that whilst the Agenda for the postponed meeting had been sent to Councillors with the new date on it, the noticeboard copy did not have a date on it and this had been commented on by a member of the public. He asked for it to be made sure that the date and time was put on future copies.

The amended date had been properly filed on the online copy of the Agenda.

Cllr Jones said that ivy had been cleared from around the noticeboard.

The Chair thanked Cllr Amos for his service during his time on the Council and in this his final meeting.

18.NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 12th September, 2018, at 7.30pm Kemberton Village Hall