

## KEMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of Kemberton Parish Council held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 7.30pm Held on Zoom Meeting I.D 881 9836 4916

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**In attendance:** Cllrs Martyn Bidgood (Chairman), James Rennison (Vice-Chairman), Angela Blount, Giles Greenwood, Mark Lea, Phillip Jones, and Vanessa Voysey (Parish Clerk), and PCSO Jacqui Fletcher

#### **20.56 Chairman Welcome and Announcements**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

#### **20.57 Apologies**

None as all Councillors were present

#### **20.58 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

None at this time

#### **20.59 Dispensation**

There were none at this time

#### **20.60 Report from Shropshire Councillor**

There was none at this time

#### **20.61 Public Participation Session**

PSCO Jacqui Fletcher reported that there had been notifications of suspicious vehicles in the Parish but otherwise things had been quiet. She is in contact with the Highways Department and will raise the issue of safety in relation to the condition of the roads in and out of the village.

#### **20.62 Minutes**

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve and sign the minutes dated 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020

#### **20.63 Matters Arising**

The Chairman noted that on the matter raised of discharge of water from Hall Cottage (minute 20.48) a letter had been sent to the owner, and in the reply received it was advised that when the cellar pump was set up, guidance was sought and that some discharge onto the highway was acceptable. This matter is now being taken up with Shropshire Council.

Online banking has been successfully set up, although the Parish Clerk has advised that a change of address notification will be needed to be set up and that this will require another bank form.

## **20.64 Highways**

### **20.64.1 Condition of the roads**

The Chairman, Cllr Martyn Bidgood, said that there had been nothing had been done since the last meeting, and that there had been little response. He was not satisfied with the response from Highways that significant repairs had been done on Grindle Road as it remained in poor condition. He noted that numerous residents had reported the condition of the roads on the 'My Shropshire App'.

There was some discussion on the condition of the roads, particularly concern that there is only one serviceable road in and out of the village. Evelith Lane remains in a poor state and is a concern for those who have no choice but to use it. Concern was also expressed at the safety issue of the condition of the roads particularly as more people are using them for walking and cycling. It was also noted that a fly-tipping incident had blocked Field Lane on one occasion.

It was requested that the Parish Clerk re-contact Shropshire Highways to highlight the concerns expressed.

Cllr Mark Lea raised an issue with a drain overflowing onto the highway that is causing erosion and that he is awaiting a reply to the case he has raised with Shropshire Council. It was requested that the Parish Clerk chase up a response.

### **20.64.2 Kemberton Junction**

The proposals for the box junction is to change the speed limit to 50mph, this is out for consultation until 17<sup>th</sup> March.

It was proposed, seconded, and **agreed**, that the formal response of the Parish Council is that the speed limit should be lowered to 40mph.

### **20.64.3 Any other Highway matters**

Cllr Mark Lea reported that the drain on Greens Lane is still gushing out.

## **20.65 Correspondence**

Shropshire Council has written advising about election packs for the upcoming local elections on 6<sup>th</sup> May. The Parish Clerk has requested copies and will send further details when available.

## **20.66 Planning Applications Received**

### **21/00824/TCA**

Wisteria Cottage Mill Lane Kemberton Shifnal TF11 9LH

Prune to improve form using a reduction by thinning technique and to allow some light penetration of 1No Maple Tree (T1) within Kemberton Conservation Area

*No comment to file*

**21/00093/FUL**

Glendene, Grooms Lane, Kemberton, Shifnal, Shropshire TF11 9LS

Erection of a replacement dwelling

*Comment has been filed after an email discussion prior to the meeting*

**21/00968/TCA**

13 Mill Lane, Kemberton, Shifnal, TF11 9LU

To fell and remove 1No. Holly tree and fell and remove 1No. Damson tree within Kemberton Conservation Area

*No comment to file*

Received after the publication of the Agenda:

**21/00933/FUL**

Westhorpe , Mill Lane, Kemberton, Shifnal, TF11 9LH

Alterations and additions to include the erection of a part two storey part single storey side extension, single storey rear extension following demolition of existing conservatory, alterations to existing dormer window and installation of 2 new dormer windows and recladding of rear dormer window, alterations to access and replace existing shed with timber garden room

*No comment to file*

**20.67 Planning Application Decisions**

The following was noted:

**20/04799/FUL Permission Granted**

Ashana Mill Lane Kemberton Shifnal TF11 9LY

Erection of a two storey front extension adjacent to existing gable; single storey extension to at rear and flat roof extended between existing dormers at rear

**20.68 Finance**

- a) It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve the following:

	Payee	Description	Amount
BACS	Clerk	Salary Q4 + expenses	£318.48 £313.92 salary + £4.56 (stamps)
Not due	HMRC	Tax Q4	Not due

- b) It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve Reconciliation and Bank Statements for the month of January 2021
- c) It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve Receipts and Payments including income and expenditure spreadsheets for January 2021
- d) Online Banking: covered in Matters Arising

## **20.69 Environment**

*Treeworks:* Concern has been expressed by residents about tree works that have been undertaken in Grooms Lane and Hall Meadows and if authorisation had been sought for the works.

The Chairman, Cllr Martyn Bidgood, advised that this matter was being dealt with by Shropshire Council, and that a tree officer had been notified and had visited the site. The West Mercia Police wildlife officer has also visited the site.

Cllr James Rennison said that there were two issues: potential damage and the precedent about the need to obtain the necessary permission. Cllr Mark Lea commented that there was a legal obligation to ask permission before carrying out site clearance as there would be with any other development work. He also detailed past Historical Heritage guidance on the site as having significance in its pattern of medieval rows and furrows.

The Chairman, Cllr Martyn Bidgood, said that public concerns had been followed up and that as there is no official response at this time, it was therefore requested that the Parish Clerk ask for details when the investigation is concluded.

*Footpaths:* The footpath is blocked again by Kemberton Mill.

*Wildlife Crime:* Cllr Mark Lea has spoken to the West Mercia Police wildlife officer about alleged incidents of hare coursing

## **20.70 Dates for meetings in 2021/2022**

The following dates were agreed:

12<sup>th</sup> May 2021  
14<sup>th</sup> July 2021  
8<sup>th</sup> September 2021  
10<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
11<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
9<sup>th</sup> March 2022

## **20.71 Any Other Parish Matters**

.Cllr Phil Jones updated the Parish Council on the Parish Church: funds to replace the boiler in the church has been 92% covered by donations, and the sought-for £65K for new bells is on target.

## **20.72 Next meeting**

Wednesday May 12th, 2021, at 7.30pm Kemberton Village Hall

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place at 7pm