

KEMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Kemberton Parish Council held on Wednesday January 11th 2023 at Kemberton Village Hall

In attendance: Cllrs Angela Blount, Giles Greenwood, Phil Jones, Mark Lea, James Rennison and Mary Wright, Shropshire Councillor Richard Marshall and Parish Clerk Vanessa Voysey.

22.80 Chairman's Welcome and Announcements

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

22.81 Apologies

There were no apologies

22.82 Casual Vacancy

No expressions of interest in co-option had been received

22.83 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests to record

22.84 Dispensation

There were no requests for dispensation to report

22.85 Report from Shropshire Councillor

Cllr Richard Marshall that Quiet Lanes could be funded under CiL funding (Community Infrastructure Levy), whilst Kemberton does not have any as there has been no development, it might be possible to use some of Shifnal's CiL money for Evelith Lane as half of it is in Shifnal Parish. He is hoping to move this forward. He noted that following the resurfacing of Evelith Lane it is being used as a cut-through.

Cllr Giles Greenwood asked about Shropshire Council funding for environmental maintenance, noting that Sherrifhales Parish Council had used this for maintaining verges in its Parish. Cllr Marshall advised that that the Environmental Maintenance Grant is a match-funding grant, where work is undertaken on Shropshire Council land, and that it would require paperwork to be filed including invoices from contractors. It is not currently open but he would be able to advise when it is re-opened.

22.86 Public Participation Session

There were no members of the public present and no questions from the public at this time.

22.87 Minutes

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve the minutes dated 9th November 2022

22.88 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising not otherwise covered in agenda items

22.89 Planning Applications Received

There were none at this time

22.90 Planning Application Decisions

The following decisions were noted:

- i) Permission Granted:22/04421/FUL: Westhorpe , Mill Lane, Kemberton.
Replace unstable and cracked front concrete block wall with red brick wall to match house
- ii) No objection: 22/04869/TCA: Hilton, Mill Lane, Kemberton, Shifnal, Fell two lines of Conifers (G1&G2) within Conservation Area
- iii) Permission Refused: 22/04838/FUL: Glendene , Grooms Lane, Kemberton, demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling

22.91 Another Planning Matters:

The following was noted:

22/05296/CPL: Application for a Lawful Development Certificate for the proposed installation of solar panels fitted to existing roof at Ridgeway House, Mill Lane, Kemberton.

22.92 Correspondence

- a) The Local Government Boundary Commission is consulting on Shropshire Council divisions until 30th January www.lgbce.gov.uk

Cllr Richard Marshall advised that the same number of division seats will be returned but balanced out to reflect resident numbers to each seat, and double divisions will be removed. The current proposals will not affect Kemberton as it will remain in Worfield division.

- b) A letter has been received from Vattenfall Wind Power Ltd proposing an offer of £3,000 per mw towards a community energy project as part of a renewable energy commitment, and in connection with its proposed solar farm development in the parish

It was agreed to note receipt and that no further action was to be taken.

22.93 Finance

i) Payments

The following payments were approved:

	Payee	Description	Amount	Power
BACS	Clerk	Travel Expenses (January)	£13.50	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
BACS	Clerk	Salary (Quarter 4)	£375 <i>Due £225 (overpayment Quarter 3)</i>	LGA 1972 s.112
BACS	HMRC	Quarter 4	£75	LGA 1972 s.112

ii) Income

The following income was noted:

Bank interest - 77p for months of October and November

iii) Bank Reconciliation

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to receive and accept the Bank Reconciliation to month end November 2022

iv) Spend to Date

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to receive and accept the Spend to Date for month end November 2022

v) Budget

The draft budget and precept was considered by Councillors. It was agreed to raise the Council Tax charge by 3% for the upcoming year with the budget adjustment at the contingency line.

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22.94 Environment

There were no updates or reports on environmental issues at this time.

22.95 Highways

Cllr Mark Lea said that he would be contacting CPRE (Campaign for the Protection of Rural England) regarding Quiet Lanes.

Councillors expressed concern at the condition of Field Lane and the flooding on it. Cllr Giles Greenwood commented that the ditches and drainage need sorting out.

It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would contact the landowner about field run-off.

22.96 Other Parish Matters

Cllr Richard Marshall gave an update on Polo Cottage following concerns raised by the Parish Council.

22.97 Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th March 2023 at Kemberton Village Hall, 7.30pm