KEMBERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Kemberton Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th September 2021 at 7.30pm Held at Kemberton Village Hall

In attendance: Cllrs Martyn Bidgood (Chairman), Angela Blount, Phil Jones, Mary Wright, Mark Lea, Giles Greenwood. Also in attendance: one member of the public, and Vanessa Voysey (Parish Clerk)

21.37 Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

21.38 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr James Rennison (personal commitment)

An apology was sent in advance of the meeting from Shropshire Councillor Richard Marshall, who had requested any action points for him to follow up be sent after the meeting.

21.39 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were none at this time

21.40 Dispensation

There were none at this time

21.41 Report from Shropshire Councillor

There was none at this time

21.42 Public Participation Session

A member of the public present raised a concern about a plot of land near Grooms Lane and potential development in it.

The Chairman, Cllr Martyn Bidgood, reported that this matter had been raised with him by other residents, and noted that at this time no Planning Permission had been sought, and that the plot of land is in the Conversation Area. If there were any changes he would contact Cllr Richard Marshall who was aware of the situation.

21.43 Minutes

It was proposed, seconded and resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 14th July 2021 be accepted as a true record.

21.44 Matters Arising

The Chairman, Cllr Marytn Bidgood, reported that the noticeboards had not been repaired yet and that this was a work in progress.

21.45 Queen's Jubilee

Cllr Phil Jones noted that in the past Shropshire Council had funding available for Jubillee celebrations. It was requested that the Parish Clerk check if this is the case for the upcoming Platinum Jubilee (due to celebrated between June 3rd and 5th 2022)

Cllr James Reninison had raised the suggestion of using the Village Hall for a celebration and for the Parish Council to consider funding it. Suggestions from those present included a pig roast, a ticketed party for all residents of the Parish, and possibly covering the costing of providing catering. It was agreed that Cllr Giles Greenwood would be delegated to act as the link to the Village Hall in progressing this forwards.

The Parish Clerk noted that Ryton and Grindle Parish Council had asked about the participation of the other Parish Councils in the Six Parishes in the Jubilee celebrations potentially with the view to a joint project.

21.46 Highways

a) Kemberton Junction

Cllr Martyn Bidgood, Chairman, noted that there had been no response from Shropshire Council following the consultation about Kemberton Junction, this included to members of the public who had taken the time to make comments as well as the Parish Council as a body. The Parish Council had objected to some aspects of the proposals and the lack of any response at all was disappointing.

He also noted that Telford and Wrekin had put up a public notice about the proposals on lampposts by the junction but Shropshire Council had not. Photographs of the signs had been sent around to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting.

It was requested that the Parish Clerk raise the matter of the lack of response to the consultation with Cllr Richard Marshall.

b) Condition of the Roads

Evelith Lane remains a concern. It was noted that whilst this is not within the Parish it is well used by residents including local farmers and that its poor condition had an impact.

c) Any other Highway Matters

No other highway matters were raised at this time.

21.47 Correspondence

A request for funding was received from Victim Support, a national charity based in Derbyshire. This had been sent by email to all Parish Councils.

Cllr Marytn Bidgood, Chairman, suggested that a more structure approach to charitable donations to national charities might be considered in future, with recommendations from residents of the Parish of charities that have given them support. Possibly this would be from sending out a message in the Village Newsletter. Decisions would need by the Parish Councild to be made if this were to generate a large response.

21.48 Planning Applications

There were none at this time

21.49 Planning Decisions

There were none at this time

21. 50 Planning Matters

There were no other planning matters to consider at this time.

21.51 Finance

21.51.1 Payments

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

	Payee	Description	Amount	Power
BACS	Clerk	Salary +	£310.64	LGA 1972 s.112
		Expenses	(£283.64 + £27	(2)
BACS	HMRC	PAYE	£70.80	LGA 1972.
				s.112 (2)

21.51.2 Income

It was noted that there was 2p in bank interest by the end of August

21.51.3 Bank Reconciliation

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve the bank reconciliation for the end of the month of July

21.51.4 Spend to Date

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve the spend to date for the end of the month of July

21.52 Environment

21.52.1 Flytipping

Cllr Giles Greenwood commented that the layby on the way to Shifnal keeps getting targeted by flytippers, but that it was outside of the Parish.

Cllr Mark Lea said that flytipping is at a low level at this time, and Cllr Martyn Bidgood said that there no reports had been received about Field Lane.

21.52.2 Footpaths

Cllr Martyn Bidgood, Chairman, noted the lack of communication on footpaths from Shropshire Council, including an issue raised 14 months ago.

Cllr Giles Greenwood reported that Hall Meadows footpath has been moved back to being diagonally located on the site.

21.52.3 Any other environmental matters

There were no other environmental matters to report at this time.

21.53 Any other Parish Matters

21.53.1 Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Marytn Bidgood, Chairman, reported that the local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators were now getting alerts from Shropshire but not the electronic newsletters, and that he had forwarded them himself, and overall he considered that the communication from the police force to the local Neighbourhood Watch was poor.

21.53.2 Another other matters raised by the public to Parish Councillors

The discharge of a pipe from a property onto Mill Lane has been raised by members of the public. This issue has been pursued by the Parish Council and logging with Shropshire Council.

Concerns remain about affordable housing in the centre of the village seemingly remaining unoccupied after two years of being built.

21.54 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 7.30pm at Kemberton Village Hall.