

KIRBY MUXLOE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the MEETING of the PARISH COUNCIL

Held at 7.00 pm on
Thursday 2nd December 2021
At Kirby Muxloe Parish Council, Station Road, Kirby Muxloe

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors:	B Atkinson	N Beck	C Frost
	R Ford	M Fox	M Mulholland
	F Quilliam	J Stafford	W Wernick

In Attendance: Parish Clerk
District Cllr - K Thomson

No Members of the public were present

COU/117/21-22

Chairman's Welcome

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and thanked staff, Councillors and all those involved in making the Christmas Lights Switch On event such a huge success.

COU/118/21-22

To receive apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr's C Ball, J Johns and S Michaels.

County Cllr N Chapman also gave his apologies.

COU/119/21-22

To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests to any matter pertaining to the agenda and to consider dispensations

Cllr C Frost declared a non-pecuniary interest as a Blaby District Councillor

Cllr N Beck declared a pecuniary interest in The Byways, Court Close as a result of her neighbouring property

As a District Councillor was present, the Chairman brought forward the Report from Blaby District Council and Public Participation.

COU/120/21-22

To receive a Report from Blaby District Council

District Cllr Thomson reported on:

- i. The amount of housing which the district may need to take from the City Council

- ii. The smaller of the two developments to the north of Hinckley Road being unable to gain access, resulting in this land being purchased by the Developer of the larger area.
- iii. Access concerns on a property on Hinckley Road
- iv. A Conservation Area proposal, which a neighbouring Parish have achieved with support from their Local History group
- v. Ongoing issues on Desford Road
- vi. Awaited Boundary Commission feedback
- vii. Decarbonisation/electric vehicles
- viii. Commonwealth Games. It was noted that Leicester City Council have received funding to extend the cycleway out of the city.

District Cllr Frost also added:

- ix. That methane gas from Huncote Leisure Centre has extended to six properties, noting that the District Council have allocated £500,000 to address this situation
- x. Forest House is closing in 2023
- xi. A third of an Enderby Park is earmarked for twenty affordable homes.
- xii. Blaby District remains above the UK average for covid-19, largely due to the number of school cases.

COU/121/21-22

Public Participation

(15 minutes are set aside for members of the public to raise issues and ask questions)

There were no members of the public present.

COU/122/21-22

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2021 are a true and accurate record.

PROPOSED by Cllr J Stafford and SECONDED by Cllr N Beck

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2021 are a true and accurate record.

To confirm the closed session minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2021 are a true and accurate record.

PROPOSED by Cllr F Quilliam and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

It was **RESOLVED** that the closed session minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2021 are a true and accurate record.

COU/123/21-22

To receive a Report from the Police Beat Officer

It was noted that the Police Newsletter is circulated upon receipt.

COU/124/21-22 **To receive a Report from Leicestershire County Council**
County Cllr. N Chapman gave his apologies.

A member gave a report on a recent Teams meeting regarding Desford Road, where County Cllr N Chapman, Blaby District Council and two members of the public were present.

It was noted that Blaby District Council are aware of the issues arising and the implications of the piling program and prompt action is to be taken to reduce the excessive vibration, noise and dust from the piling operation. Additionally, the site is to be better managed to address the impact this is having on residents.

County Cllr N Chapman is to be thanked for all his help in this matter

COU/125/21-22 **To receive a Report from Blaby District Council**
This item was addressed at COU/120/21-22

COU/126/21-22 **Public Participation**
This item was addressed at COU/121/21-22

COU/127/21-22 **Clerks Report**

i. **To verify all payments made since the previous meeting**

It was noted that since the previous meeting, net payments totalling €16,629.28 have been made, which were verified by members.

ii. **To verify and authorise the Payments Schedule**

PROPOSED by Cllr J Stafford and SECONDED by Cllr C Frost

Further to verification, it was **RESOLVED** that the Payments Schedule detailing net payments of £6395.20 be **APPROVED**

Members **AGREED** that water at the Cricket Pavilion be queried prior to payment, which the Clerk noted would result in a late payment fee.

iii. **To verify bank reconciliation**

The bank reconciliation for the Community Bank Account (£266,732.93) as at 28th November 2021 was presented and verified.

iv. **To verify Income and Expenditure to date**

The Report was verified by members.

COU/128/21-22

To provide an update on

- i. **The Byways, 11 Court Close, Kirby Muxloe**
It was noted that the tenant is now maintaining the hedge at the front of the property.
- ii. **The Local Plan**
It was noted that a further update is anticipated in January 2022.
- iii. **Barry Drive 'Rat Run'**
It was noted that the Parish Council may be able to make a further application.
- iv. **Compulsory Purchase Order**
The Clerk noted that there was no update at present, but would look into this matter further.

A member questioned whether this should be raised with Blaby District Council.

COU/129/21-22

To receive a report from Representatives to Outside Bodies:

- i. **Kirby Muxloe Village Hall**
Apologies were received from Cllr C Ball
- ii. **Kirby Muxloe Library and Community Hub**
Cllr Fox highlighted that Kirby Muxloe Library and Community Hub had been very successful at the Christmas Lights Switch On event.
- iii. **Progress with Lubbesthorpe**
The group have not met since the previous meeting.

COU/130/21-22

To consider a quotation/s for

(Permission to be gained from Kirby Muxloe Recreation Ground Charity, where required)

- i. **Internal Audit service**
Quotations from two Companies were presented.

Company A - £400-£500

Company B - £335

PROPOSED by Cllr J Stafford and SECONDED by Cllr C Frost

It was **RESOLVED** to proceed with Company A at a cost of £400-£500.

- ii. **A replacement lighting column (by the outdoor gym equipment)**
A quotation of £1122.18 was presented to replace the lighting column by the outdoor gym equipment

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Fox

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation.

- iii. **Annual tennis courts maintenance**
Due to water issues, it was noted that the previous contractor was unable to fulfil the tennis court maintenance.

An alternative quotation for £920 was presented.

PROPOSED by Cllr N Beck and SECONDED by Cllr M Fox

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the quotation.

COU/131/21-22

To discuss and consider

(Permission to be gained from Kirby Muxloe Recreation Ground Charity, where required)

- i. **Council's draft budget for 2022-23**
Due to awaited quotations for proposed inclusion in the 2022-23 budget, it was **AGREED** this item be deferred until the next meeting.
- ii. **An additional charge for a revised valuation**
It was noted that this item no longer needs discussion due to the Recreation Ground Charity having resolved not to pursue this option.
- iii. **Providing evidence for a Public Right of Way**
It was noted that a member of the public can complete the application for claiming a footpath/s.

In view of the substantial workload faced by the Parish Council, a member volunteered to undertake this application as a member of the public.
- iv. **A full reinstatement valuation being undertaken on insured buildings**
PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr J Stafford

To ensure the building sums insured reflect a full reinstatement value, it was **RESOLVED** to gain quotations for a qualified surveyor.
- v. **Tree Warden proposal**
The Clerk noted that three local residents have enquired about becoming tree wardens for Kirby Muxloe.

After some discussion, members felt that they would appreciate knowing more what this entails and AGREED that the interested residents be invited to provide a brief presentation at a future meeting.

vi. **Permitting the Council chamber to be used for a 'Progress with Lubbesthorpe' presentation.**

The PowerPoint presentation was circulated to members.

PROPOSED by Cllr C Frost and SECONDED by Cllr M Mulholland

It was **RESOLVED** that permission be granted to use the Council chamber for the 'Progress with Lubbesthorpe' presentation.

COU/132/21-22

To note the public space bin servicing rates for 2022/23

The standard bin service rate of £2.99 and a remote bin service rate of £4.25 per empty were noted.

COU/133/21-22

To note any other business

(This item should only be used to register future agenda items or items that are solely for information only. No issues requiring a decision or with a financial implication can be raised)

A member note that a resident has approached her regarding organising a Scarecrow Festival. The resident is to be invited to the next Events Working Party meeting, which is to be arranged.

It was also noted that the Parish Council should consider including articles in local publications to notify residents of the Parish Council's undertakings.

A member highlighted that the essential level of Reserves needs to be identified.

COU/134/21-22

To confirm the date and time of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on 13th January 2022 at 7 p.m.