

Minutes of the Virtual Meeting of Kenn Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th June 2020 at 7pm.

Present: Cllr. Westwood; Cllr. Chislett (Chairman); Cllr. Crisp; Cllr. Goodey; County Cllr. Connett; District Cllr. Swain; Cllr. Birt; 2 members of the public; Penny Clapham (Clerk). Cllr. Lewis.

To note that David Coates has resigned as a councillor.

Cllr. Chislett and all councillors expressed their thanks to David for his time given to being a councillor.

1) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

An opportunity for members of the public to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business on the agenda, or any matter of interest to the parish. The period of time designated for public participation shall not exceed 15 minutes. (Standing Orders 3e and 3f).

Reminder that members of the public are not allowed to raise issues when Council is in committee.

Parishioner explained the background to the planning application at Kennford International Caravan Park. Councillors asked some questions, regarding the occupancy of the chalets and the viability of the holiday lets. Parishioner thanked the council for giving him the opportunity to speak.

2) Apologies For Absence: Cllr. Diment. Cllr. Stretton.

3) Declarations Of Interest: In accordance with the Code of Conduct, members are required to declare any personal or disclosable pecuniary interests, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have, in items to be considered at this meeting. Members are also reminded that any change to their Declaration of Interests must be notified to the Monitoring Officer at Teignbridge District Council within 28 days of the change. None declared.

4) Matters raised by the Chairman (for information only) Cllr. Chislett has been in touch with Rob Newton from the Environment Agency with regard to clearing the river sooner rather than later, and to do both sides of the bridges in Kennford and Kenn. Clerk to action.

5) District and County Councillor Reports –

County Cllr. Connett: the commencement of the installation of the weight restriction is provisionally scheduled for the first week of August. Cllr. Chislett enquired after the cycleway safety audit from Haldon to Exeter – Clerk to follow up.

District Cllr. Swain: the review of the local plan, consultation closes in July. See agenda item 15.

6) Minutes – the Minutes of the virtual meeting held on the 12th May 2020 were approved.

7) Community Land Trust for the parish of Kenn – to receive an update from the meeting held on the 2nd June and hosted by Mary Ridgway.

A parishioner's emailed letter was discussed.

Cllr. Goodey made points about the formation of the CLT. Clerk to ask Mary Ridgway for actions from the meeting held at Teignbridge regarding funding. In order to engage with the community a leaflet is being designed for which some photos are required. Cllr. Birt will supply these.

Discussion took place regarding housing possibilities, and the need to involve members from the parish in the formation of a CLT.

8) Playbox – to receive an update on the financial situation pertinent to the Playbox.

- i. The business grant application to Teignbridge DC has been declined. Noted.
- ii. Numbers at Playbox are limited to 12 children per day (there are only 17 who would be able to attend per week), thus reducing income. Noted.

Cllr. Connett described the discretionary grant fund Teignbridge DC has in place and the funders have been in touch with Playbox. Clerk to check with Playbox.

9) Highways issues to be updated (for information only)

Cllr. Chislett stated that on Dawlish Road just up from the ostrich farm, a lake appears every time it rains. This has been reported on the Highways problem page but nothing appears to get done. Cllr. Connett would like the detail when it was last reported.

To circulate the A379 closure roadworks starting in July and finishing April 2021; also to put onto the website.

10) PLANNING

Planning Applications - Teignbridge District Council has asked for comments from the Parish Council on the following planning applications:

- a) 20/00728 Replacement totem sign and 2 directional signs, Costa Coffee, A38 Haldon Hill.
Objection.

Kenn Parish Council object to the application above on the following grounds:

1. At 8m in height the illuminated totem is out of keeping with and of detriment to the natural beauty of the Haldon ridge.

2. Permanent illumination of the signage, which is less than 100metres from the Haldon Forest SSRI will create unnecessary light pollution and could be harmful to the many protected species found in the Haldon Forest. An environmental impact assessment should be provided.

- b) 20/00740/FUL Erection of coffee shop with drive through, parking, landscaping and associated works. Telegraph Hill Services.
Comment: electric car charge points should be installed.
- c) 20/00683/VAR Variation of condition 2 and removal of conditions 4 & 5 on planning permission 09/03912/FUL (demolition of 3 chalets and erection of 6 holiday chalets) to allow the units to be used as open market rental accommodation. Kennford International Caravan Park.
Supported: much needed open market rental accommodation is of far more importance in the village of Kennford than holiday lets.
- d) 20/00806/FUL Demolition of existing bungalow and construction of replacement agricultural building, Brenton Meades, Kennford.
No objection.

For information only – Appeal against refusal of planning permission 19/02330/FUL 21 Rayners, Kennford

Planning Decisions

- a) 20/00551/TPO Fell 4 alders from a line of trees and coppice remainder, Land adjacent to road bridge, over the river Kenn (Ley Arms)
CONSENT
- b) 19/02173/FUL Change of use from an agricultural building to ice cream parlour (summer only) and recreational area, Lower Brenton, Kennford.
GRANTED
- c) 20/00598/TPO Crown reduce one plane tree, Trehill Lodge
GRANTED

11) FINANCE

Expenditure			
	Employment May	£478.80	BACs
	Lee Accounting internal audit	£180.00	BACs
	Exe Estuary Pest Control	£32.91	BACs
	Teignbridge DC (dog bin charge)	£61.55	BACs
	SW Water Playbox (Feb-May)	£120.57	DD

Income**Playbox**

£1,000.00 Q4 2019/20

Bank Reconciliation and Statement, for information

Council resolved to accept the accounts. Proposed by Cllr. Birt, all in favour by show of hands.

11a) Banking signatories – With the resignation of David Coates, Council require a replacement banking signatory prepared to do internet banking. Cllr. Westwood. All agreed by show of hands.

12) Open Spaces Committee meeting report – Cllr. Birt. Two meetings have so far been held, terms of reference written, project plans for each of the 3 areas created and a Whatsapp group formed for the Committee.

- i. Flower boxes – all boxes have now been maintained, strimmed around, weeded, and planted. Proposing new boxes in Kennford, one at Gissons and one at Kenn lane.
- ii. Gissons Lane Car Park – proposal to remove the sycamore trees – they have been recently cut back.
- iii. The Meadow – fencing discussed, some mowing done, access from the Kenn Centre car park discussed, natural flow pathways created, flat playing ground mowed. To consider putting hard core in the gateways before winter – benches a possibility.
- iv. Council policy on balloons/fireworks/flying lanterns, circulated prior to this meeting. Policy agreed.
- v. To consider a waste & dog waste bin at the field gate entrance (accessible to be emptied from the A38 possibly). No agreement at present.

To agree actions and associated expenditure. Further actions agreed and proposals to be brought to the July council meeting.

13) Risk Assessments – Both financial and open spaces risk assessments to be checked and approved. Circulated to councillors prior to this meeting. Agreement proposed by Cllr. Birt, all agreed by show of hands.

14) Clerk's report

1. Internal audit completed 21st May with no reported issues. All required documentation now submitted to the PKF Littlejohn, external auditors and put onto the website.
2. Notice of public rights to inspect the accounts – from 15th June for one month, on the website.
3. The notice of a casual vacancy was posted up on the 5th June 2020.

15) Teignbridge Local Plan Consultation – extension to 13th July – circulated by email prior to this meeting. Cllr. Swain updated Council on the local plan and the reasoning behind the review. There are short sections on the website with videos and guides. Cllr. Goodey will read through it and note if there is anything that needs to be commented on.

Councillor's reports and External Meetings attended (for information only)

Cllr. Goodey – attended the DALC committee meeting. Exminster PC leased the Victory Hall in Exminster for the making of face masks.

Cllr. Westwood - reported on the footpaths and the cutting back of vegetation.

Cllr. Taverner – necessary to keep Gissons Lane trimmed up. Clerk to check with Paul Cary (contractor) when he is next coming to the parish.

Items for Information - The next council meeting will be on Tuesday, 14th July 2020 at 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 8.37pm

Minutes agreed at the Virtual Meeting held on.....

Signed.....

Date.....

Email Circulation

Roadmap (sent 18/05)

DALC newsletter 31 (sent 21/05)

NALC Briefing (sent 15/05)

NHS Test & Trace Info (sent 29/05)