

## Kirby Bellars Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 September 2015 at 7.30pm, at the Village Hall.

Present Cllr Smith (Chair), Cllrs. Batten, Howe, Ingham.

In attendance Cllr Orson, One member of the public

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Presentation by Sarah McWilliam on the process to purchase a Defibrillator.

In Gaddesby a community group was set up to fund raise as the parish council were not able to support the purchase of a defibrillator. They raised sufficient funds to obtain a defibrillator and cover all of the running and maintenance costs (approx. £3,500) and entered into an arrangement with Community Heartbeat Trust such that the defibrillator was owned and operated by the Trust. A cabinet has to be purchased to house the defib (or a redundant phone box can be used), a power supply in needed and the scheme needs to be accepted by the ambulance service. If the defib is needed, the code to open the cabinet is given by the 999 operator. The defib box then 'talks' the user through what to do and hence no training is needed in its use. The machine carries out a check on the patient and only shocks if this is appropriate. A system of regular checks (weekly & monthly) needs to take place on the defibrillator to ensure that it is always in good working order. Community Heartbeat provide support and assist with all elements of the set up process including attending an open session to explain what a defibrillator is to the local community.

- 1 Apologies - Cllrs Hutchinson, Woollin
- 2 Declarations of Interest & Dispensations  
None requested.
- 3 Minutes of the previous meeting
  - a The minutes of the meeting of the 2 July were agreed.
- 4 Matters arising from the minutes
  - a All Register of Interests Forms are now with Melton BC.

- b Enforcement training has not yet taken place.
- c Cllr Smith has investigated the potential breach of planning approval and found that there is no breach.
- d The Clerk has reported the footpath issue, but the officer from LCC reported that the vegetation had already been cut down when he arrived on site.

## 5 Public Participation

- a Cllr Orson advised on some implications of the Anti-terrorism legislation. The Chair to inform booking clerk. AS
- b A local resident raised the issue of parking on the main Road in the Leicester direction which makes it very dangerous for pedestrians. This has been reported to LCC Highways by the resident and Highways are reviewing the situation.
- c The issue of parking near to the top of Main Street was raised as this can make it difficult for cars turning in from the A607 and exiting Main Street. It was noted that the Chair has previously spoken to residents regarding this.
- d The hedge is overgrowing the footpath on the main A607. The Clerk to contact Highways as they have the contact details for the landowner to request that it be cut back. SB

## 6 Planning Applications/enforcement

- a PA 15/00588/FUL Wind turbine of Thorpe Satchville Rd  
While the PC supports green energy where it does not impose itself on neighbours or the wider community and where it is of direct benefit to a householder or small business, it does not support this application due to its size and position which will be over bearing for neighbours and impact on the wider community. The area has previously been identified as not suitable for wind turbines.

## 7 STWA & Sewer Smells

- a A reply has been received from Alan Duncan, he is writing to the Chief Exec of STWA to request that funding be identified for the Parish Council's preferred solution.
- b Miranda Snell has distributed a letter from STWA around the village setting out the measures that STWA are taking

in the short term to control the problem and indicating that they are seeking finance to provide a longer term solution of re-directing the sewerage from Great Dalby towards Melton instead of to Kirby Bellars. The anticipated timescale for this project is around 18 months.

- 8 Village enhancement including tidying Old Lock area.  
a No further work has been carried out. The Chair will discuss with Cllr Woollin to identify the next steps. AS
- 9 Reference Groups/Neighbourhood Plan  
a Cllr Orson reported that Melton BC will begin to indicate their preferred sites for future development (housing, industrial etc) in October.  
b The Clerk to ask S Brooman to do a short presentation on Neighbourhood Planning. SB
- 10 Defibrillator  
a A contribution of £50 has been received from Samworth Bros towards the cost of a defibrillator. The cost is likely to be between £1500 and £2000 (depending on whether a cabinet and electrical supply are needed).  
b It was agreed to book the village hall and invite Community Heartbeat to put on an information evening for local residents to see if there is any interest in the village having a defibrillator. It was agreed that the Chair will produce a leaflet to distribute in the village to publicise the evening. AS
- 11 First Aid training - local residents interested in a course  
a It was agreed to include the possibility of a first aid course being offered to residents in the leaflet that will be produced to advertise the Defibrillator Info Evening. AS  
b It was agreed that Cllr Howe will look at the cost of offering a first aid course to residents. AH
- 12 Seat on the Village Green

- a By email Cllr Woollin reported that a seat made of recycled plastic would cost approximately £600. The Clerk to check whether a licence will be needed to site the seat on the village green and purchase the seat. SB
- 13 Replacement Dog Waste Bin
- a It was agreed to buy a new dog bin for the village green as the existing bin is beyond repair. The bin to be a red Fido 25 at an approximate cost of £84, plus fixings. SB
- 14 Parish Magazine - request for financial support
- a A letter has been received from the Secretary of the PCC requesting financial support. In principle the parish council support the idea of a group parish magazine but would like more information on its cost of production and the current income received. The Clerk to request more financial information. SB
- 15 Housing Needs Survey Report
- a The councillors would like to know what the status of this report is and how this fits into the Melton Local Plan. How does the suggestion that a small number of properties may be needed (approx. 4 in total) fit in with the view that Kirby Bellars is an unsustainable village. SB
- 16 Update on Pensions auto enrolment
- a Following discussion and guidance from Cllr Ingham it was decided that the parish council should adopt the government supported NEST scheme as its pension scheme. Kirby Bellars staging date is April 2017 and the process of setting up the scheme will need to begin 6/9 months before this. SB
- 17 Accounts
- a The Clerk presented the following accounts for payment;

| Cheque No. | Payee                                | Amount   |
|------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| 271        | D Overfield - Mowing                 | £ 35.00  |
| 272        | NALC - book                          | £ 14.99  |
| 273        | Kirby Bellars Vill Hall - rent       | £ 20.00  |
| 274        | Drop-In Club - donation              | £ 340.00 |
| 275        | S Booth - Clerks sal & exps Aug/sept | £ 507.40 |

It was agreed the accounts were correct and the cheques were signed. SB

- b Application for Transparency code funding.  
It was agreed that the Clerk should complete this application for funding towards the purchase of a parish computer, printer and software together with a domain name and new dedicated email address. It was agreed to go ahead with the application for a '.org' email address at a cost of £50. SB
- c The Clerk asked the councillors to considered items for inclusion in the 2016/17 budget which will be considered at the next meeting. ALL

## 18 Correspondence

- a The applications for two new salt bins need to be in tomorrow. The clerk needs further details on the consultation that has taken place, this was provided. SB
- b Reply received from R Byers LCC re Footpath & dog access.
- c Roger Came has resigned as the heritage and tree warden for Kirby Bellars. The Chair has written an email of thanks to Roger for the work that he has carried out on behalf of the parish council.
- d Reply from Certas Energy - they have given their allocation of monies to the midlands for this year.
- e Letter of thanks from the KB Church Council for the donation from the parish council.
- f Email from J Worley re the training course LRALC are offering on 26 Nov for Planning Training
- g Email from Derek Overfield who has looked at the dog bin at the top of Main Street and feels it needs replacing rather than repairing.

- h Letter from Grant Thornton indicating that their audit is complete and that there are no issues to report. The clerk to display the Notice of Completion of Audit. SB
- i Forms for the 2016/17 Precept have been issued by Melton BC these to be returned by 22 January 2016.
- j Letter from Samworth Bros enclosing a cheque for £50 towards the cost of a defibrillator.
- k Letter from Alan Duncan MP who is writing to the Chief Exec of STWA on our behalf again to request that the permanent solution which has been identified and is KB PC's preferred option is carried out.
- l Notice that the PC Agenda setting meeting will take place on on 12 Oct at 6.30pm in the Council chamber, Parkside.

19 Any Other Business

- a None.

20 Date and time of Next Meeting

- a The next meeting of the Kirby Bellars Parish Council will be on Thursday 3 December and will commence at 7.30pm.

Signed

Chairman of Kirby Bellars Parish Council

Date

December 2015