



## **KINGSNORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Approved Minutes of the Kingsnorth Parish Council meeting held on**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

### **Conference Call Via Zoom (Due to Coronavirus Government Guidelines) 7.00pm**

**Present:** Cllr Shelley Barber, Cllr Matthew Bridger, Cllr Geoff Cosgrove (Vice Chair), Cllr Bryan Curtis, Cllr Aline Hicks (Chair), Cllr Patricia Moss, Cllr Stuart Moss, Cllr James Ransley, Cllr Benjamin Townend, Cllr Jim Wedgbury.

**Also, present:** Kent County Councillor Mike Angell, Borough Councillor Trish Cornish, Christine Drury (Assistant Clerk – Finance), Borough Councillor Heather Hayward, Peter Le Rossignol (Parish Manager), Marie Russell (Assistant Clerk - Admin) and seven members of the public.

#### **Public Comments and Observations**

A member of the public spoke regarding the Kingsnorth Green planning application.

- The Kingsnorth Green application went out to very few residents.
- The Number of Consultees for the Kingsnorth Green planning application has increased since a letter of complaint was sent to the planning officer.
- Site notices have been placed around Kingsnorth by the developer due to Ashford Borough Council not being able to do it due to COVID 19 restrictions, but they seem to be hidden and not in view of public.

Cllr Hicks commented that the Kingsnorth Green application would be picked up in item 7 of the agenda.

#### **Reports from External Parties**

##### **a. KCC Councillor's Report.**

KCC Councillor Mike Angell reported on the following.

- On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May household waste sites will re-open. Slots can be booked online from Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May. Sites will operate 7 days per week (full details can be found on the KCC website).

##### **During the Coronavirus Pandemic.**

- £8 million in grant funding has been issued.
- 1,800 hours have been dedicated to giving advice.
- 4,589 enquiries have been handled.
- 34 COVID19 related scandals have been uncovered.
- 2,000 permits for highways road works have been received every week.
- A major County Line was broken by Police and Social Services relating to drugs and weapons.

##### **b. Ashford Borough Councillors' reports.**

Borough Councillors' Heather Hayward, Trish Cornish and Tina Heyes submitted their reports prior to the meeting. These reports were circulated to all Kingsnorth Parish Councillors' and uploaded onto the Kingsnorth Parish Council website.

##### **c. PCSO Report.**

PCSO Anne Martin's report was circulated to all Kingsnorth Parish Council Councillors prior to the meeting and now available to view on the Kingsnorth Parish Council website

#### **1. Apologies.**

PCSO Anne Martin.

#### **2. Declarations of Interest.**

Cllr S Moss is the Chairman for the Kingsnorth Recreation Centre Trustees.

Cllr M Bridger is the Director of the company providing the webhosting and email for the Parish Council.

#### **3. Approve Minutes of 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020.**

To consider the minutes of the previous meeting and if in order sign as a true record.

**4. Matters Arising from the previous minutes (not reported elsewhere).**

- Memorial Bench (Roman Ward) still to be placed - Parish Manager to speak with Maintenance and hopefully have the bench placed prior to the next meeting. Action carried forward.
- Policies to be adopted by the Parish Council – Action ongoing.
- Modifications to the caretaker's van. Action carried forward.
- Litter around the Parish – The Parish Manager updated that he, the Assistant Admin Clerk, and the caretaker have been out litter picking all throughout the Kingsnorth Parish during the past week. There is also a competition online to help promote the Parish Councils litter and driving awareness campaigns. Action carried forward.
- Permanent memorial on the Kingsnorth Green – Awaiting a response from the Queen's Head Public House. Action carried forward.
- Traffic and highway concerns – The Parish Manager has posted an online competition for children to create posters relating to driving awareness. Cllr Bridger to organise a Communication Committee meeting via Zoom to discuss online campaigns. Action carried forward.
- Produce a working group structure for when larger planning applications are submitted. Cllr Ransley to send round his ideas to Councillors. Action carried forward.
- Arrange a meeting to discuss the Custodian Trustee contract on the Recreation Centre. Action carried forward.
- Contact Kent Police to find out the number of reports of anti-social behaviour and what action has been taken in response. The Parish Manager had contacted the local PCSO who provided him with a link to a website.

Cllr Curtis commented that he was disappointed with the monthly PCSO report due to it being very general and not relevant to Kingsnorth. Cllr Curtis continued to say that Anti-social behaviour is probably one of the biggest issues in Kingsnorth and residents want to know that when they report an incident that it is taken forward.

**Action: Parish Manager to take this issue further and email concerns to Mike Angell.**

- Look at staff time associated with the Café and review prices. Action carried forward.
- Speak with Reverend Caroline Mansley regarding a £250 grant to support residents in need during the COVID-19 crisis. This action is now completed.
- Request quotes for the repair of the path. This action was discussed under Item 5 on the agenda.

**5. Parish Council Monthly Reports**

**a. Parish Manager and Officers / Correspondence Reports.**

**The Parish Manager**

During April we have continued to work remotely in-line with the UK government lockdown restrictions. Outlined below is what I/we have been working on during April.

- Liaising with Kingsnorth Medical Practice re accessing support for residents via Ashford Borough Council helpline.
- Ordered and installed a new post box at the Kingsnorth Recreation Centre.
- Carried out weekly visits to the office and recreation centre to ensure building is OK.
- Attended KRC Trustees meeting via Zoom.
- Liaising with the Reverend Caroline Mansley re £250 grant to support residents in need during the COVID-19 crisis.
- Working on Scribe our accounts software this included adding new year budget figures and year end.
- Working on items raised in the finance health check.
- Supporting residents in need as much as we possibly can or signposting to others to support them.
- Ordered new uniform for Matt (3 polo shirts, hoodie, and fleece), Marie and I (Polo Shirts).
- Liaising with Ashford Borough Council to support residents in need.
- Updating Parish Website including:
  - Uploaded all minutes from old website to new.
  - Uploaded reports pages.
  - Uploaded finance documents.

- Confirmed quote with Zurich for Car Insurance (They matched Came and Co) also confirmed no charge for changing the van if we need to.
- Weekly/Daily check ins with Parish Staff.
- Regular updates and posts on Facebook.
- Corresponding with annual auditors.
- Received a donation of items from Ashford Hygiene Bank.
- Launched and Uploaded Grants Application Form to the website and on Facebook.
- Launched Driving and Litter awareness campaign poster competition on Facebook. Lots of entries have been coming in.
- E-mailed Faye Faiers re Bridleway Project see e-mail attached to e-mail.
- Helped pick up and deliver furniture with Matt to family without any furniture following a request from the Ashford Volunteers Centre.

### **Correspondence Report**

E-mail from Faye Faiers RE Kingsnorth Bridleway.

### **Community Engagement and Facebook Stats During April**

Our Facebook page had a post reach of 8.3k.

Post engagements for month were 3079.

Our page now has 789 likes with 35 new likes this month.

Most popular posts April 2020.

Driving and Litter Competition – Reach 2.7k.

Closure of Playparks – Reach 2.2k.

Reminder of Lockdown Restrictions – Reach 1.7k.

### **Caretaker's Report April 2020**

I was on holiday from the 26th March until the 7th of April and 10th to the 13th was the Easter bank holiday

- Checking MUGA and play equipment is still secure and taped off.
- Weekly checks of the pavilion.
- Flushed toilets and ran taps and showers to prevent Legionella.
- Carried out the monthly emergency light testing.
- Carried out the weekly fire testing and checks.
- Litter picked the fields before cutting the grass.
- Strimmed and cut the grass at the pavilion playing fields, around the orchard, the village green and Riverside Close a couple of times.
- Painted the fencing at the pavilion.
- In the process of building an office area in in the workshop.
- Assisting with collecting and delivering prescriptions, shopping, and furniture for elderly and vulnerable residents.
- Washed the van.
- Meet Pete once or twice a week to flush water system at the office and check building/ collect post.
- Sorting out garage and moving things around from the garage, pavilion store cupboard and workshop to try and get some order in the storage we have.
- Met an engineer for the water softener service, this was not finished as the engineer told us the controller was not working, a little internet research and I found there is a hidden button to get to controls.
- Online zoom meeting for the Kent FA pitch improvement programme along with Andy Munroe.
- Collecting various materials from B&Q and Toolstation.
- Looking at Brian's leaning bin of Bridgefield and straightening it.
- Checking stock in pavilion for use by dates.

The Parish Manager extended his thanks to the Caretaker, Finance Clerk and Admin Clerk for their continued hard work during this difficult time.

Cllr Ransley asked for a map of where new trees have been planted around the Parish due to some concerns from residents.

**Action: Parish Manager / Caretaker to produce a map for location of trees.**

### **b. Councillors' Reports.**

**Cllr Curtis reported on the following.**

- Budgens store on Bridgefield donated 300 sets of gloves which residents agreed to donate to Age UK. The store owner has gone out of his way to help residents during COVID 19 pandemic.
- Bilham Farm footpath has now been cleared of all debris by landowners Taylor Wimpey. The footpath that goes through the farm is being locked. The Parish Manager has written to KCC as the gate shouldn't be locked as it's a public footpath.

#### **Cllr Hicks reported on the following.**

- Stubbs Cross Post Office have been supporting their community by offering a delivery service to their regular customers during the COVID 19 pandemic.

#### **c. Parish Council Monthly Committee Reports.**

To receive update reports from Parish Council Committees and Groups.

#### **Staffing Committee – Cllr Curtis**

- Continued thanks to the Parish staff, specifically our caretaker for helping to straighten a leaning bin in Bridgefield.

#### **Finance Committee – Cllr S Moss**

- Report was discussed under Item 9 on the agenda.

#### **Open Spaces and Pavilion Committee – Cllr Cosgrove**

- Drawn up specifications for the footpath repairs opposite the Queen's Head. The Parish Manager sent the specification to three companies (mainly recommended by KCC) for quotes and received three quotes back which ranged from £1,700.00 - £3,500.00.

Cllr Cosgrove recommended that the cheaper quote be actioned (recommended by KCC)

**PROPOSED BY CLLR CURTIS**

**SECONDED BY CLLR BRIDGER**

**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR - 10**

**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**MOTION MOVED.**

#### **Communications Committee – Cllr Bridger**

- Thanked the Parish Manager for creating a Facebook page to support and communicate with residents during Coronavirus pandemic.

#### **Community Café – Parish Manager**

Nothing to report due to café being closed due to COVID-19 restrictions.

#### **VE Day Celebrations**

Due to COVID 19 Government Regulations the Parish Councils VE Day event was sadly cancelled. Despite this, many residents celebrated in their front gardens (obeying the social distancing guidelines). Cllr Hicks informed members that VE Day commemoration benches are available to purchase at the price of £650 +VAT.

Cllr Hicks recommended that a VE Day commemorative bench be purchased with the money which was set aside for the VE Day event and that it is placed in the entrance park.

**PROPOSED BY CLLR BRIDGER**

**SECONDED BY CLLR COSGROVE**

**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 10**

**ALL THOSE AGAINST – 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**MOTION MOVED.**

## 6. Financial Matters.

### a. Finance Report

Kingsnorth Parish Council										
PAYMENTS LIST April 2020										
Voucher	Code	Date	Bank	Description	Supplier		Net	VAT	Total	
1	Workshop Rates	01/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Workshop rates	ABC	X	106.38	0.00	106.38	
10	Payroll	02/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Payroll	Accounts Unlocked	S	30.00	6.00	36.00	
16	Office Supplies, Postage & Adr	02/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Office supplies	Amazon	S	9.99	2.00	11.99	
2	Audit Fees	02/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Audit	D.Buckett	X	500.00	0.00	500.00	
3	Office Supplies, Postage & Adr	02/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Goods	Staff	X	15.00	0.00	15.00	
17	Capital	03/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Post Box	Safes-co.uk.co.ltd	S	41.42	8.28	49.70	
11	Telephone and Broadband	06/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Telephone	BT	S	196.56	39.31	235.87	
4	Workshop Rent	06/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Workshop rent	Van & Car	X	398.00	0.00	398.00	
12	HR Support	07/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	HR Support	Outset UK	S	143.33	28.67	172.00	
13	Employer Payments	08/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Pension contributions	NEST	X	560.47	0.00	560.47	
6	Van Lease	14/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Van rental	Leaseplan	S	239.94	47.99	287.93	
14	Clothing	14/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Workwear	Workwear Express	S	49.99	10.00	59.99	
5	Capital	14/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Fire alarm system pavilion	EK Fire Protection	X	1,797.00	0.00	1,797.00	
7	HR Support	15/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	HR Support	Outset UK	S	253.50	50.70	304.20	
15	Vehicle Fuel	15/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Van rental	Fuel Genie	S	161.81	32.36	194.17	
18	Office Supplies, Postage & Adr	15/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Zoom fee	Go Cardless	X	11.99	0.00	11.99	
19	Office Supplies, Postage & Adr	16/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Goods	Amazon	S	8.33	1.67	10.00	
8	Employer Payments	16/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Tax & NI	HMRC	X	2,936.81	0.00	2,936.81	
23	Maintenance Loose Tools	20/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Loose tools	Toolstation	S	8.13	1.63	9.76	
9	Community Grants Fund	20/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Grant	Ashford Church Team	X	250.00	0.00	250.00	
21	E-mail	20/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	E-mail Addresses	Whisper Media	X	6.10	0.00	6.10	
22	Website	20/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Website	Whisper Media	X	68.40	0.00	68.40	
20	Pavilion Gas	22/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Pavilion gas	Crown Gas & Power	X	150.79	0.00	150.79	
26	Pavilion Maintenance	23/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Pavilion Boiler Cover	British Gas	S	48.00	9.60	57.60	
27	Repairs	24/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Workshop	Wickes	S	25.00	5.00	30.00	
28	Repairs	24/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Workshop	Toolstation	S	2.73	0.55	3.28	
29	Parish Office - Mobile Phone	24/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Staff Mobile Phones	BT	S	13.00	2.60	15.60	
30	Maintenance Mobile Phones	24/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Staff Mobile Phones	BT	S	26.00	5.20	31.20	
24	Pavilion Waste Collection	27/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Waste	Biffa	S	145.72	29.14	174.86	
36	Photocopier and Printer	27/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Printer	ASL	S	26.17	5.23	31.40	
37	Repairs	27/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Goods	Trade UK	S	82.50	16.50	99.00	
38	Maintenance Loose Tools	27/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Loose tools	Trade UK	S	62.65	12.53	75.18	
31	Salaries	27/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Salary	Employees	X	5,313.70	0.00	5,313.70	
39	Pavilion Maintenance	27/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Goods	Trade UK	X	80.30	0.00	80.30	
25	Telephone Boxes Refurbishmen	28/04/2020	Metro Bank Current a/c	Goods	Home Bargains	S	1.66	0.33	1.99	
							<b>13,771.37</b>	<b>315.29</b>	<b>14,086.66</b>	

Kingsnorth Parish Council										
RECEIPTS LIST April 2020										
Voucher	Code	Date	Bank	Description	Supplier	VAT Type	Net	VAT	Total	
3	Interest	01/04/2020	Metro Bank Reserve a/c	Interest	Metro Bank	X	15.45	0.00	15.45	
1	General Admin	02/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Goods	C V Ward	X	15.00	0.00	15.00	
2	Capital	21/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Insurance	Zurich	X	829.00	0.00	829.00	
4	Interest	30/04/2020	NW Reserve 47793368	Interest	Natwest	X	1.37	0.00	1.37	
5	Interest	30/04/2020	NW SIBA 47793120	Interest	Natwest	X	25.34	0.00	25.34	
6	Precept	30/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Precept	ABC	X	125,995.00	0.00	125,995.00	
7	Support Grant	30/04/2020	NW Current 47793112	Grant	ABC	X	2,019.50	0.00	2,019.50	
<b>Total</b>							<b>128,900.66</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>128,900.66</b>	

Kingsnorth Parish Council			
BANK ACCOUNTS 30.4.20			
	Metro Bank Current a/c		£8,181.69
	Metro Bank Reserve a/c		£60,638.88
	NW Reserve 47793368		£8,341.01
	NW SIBA 47793120		£274,620.42
	NW Current 47793112		£100.00
	Petty Cash - Cafe		£0.00
	<b>Total in Banks</b>		<b>351,882.00</b>
	<b>Cash</b>		<b>119.40</b>
	<b>GRAND TOTAL (Banks and Cash)</b>		<b>£352,001.40</b>

**Kingsnorth Parish Council**  
**Summary of Receipts and Payments**  
**Summary - Cost Centres Only - April 2020**

Cost Centre	Receipts			Payments			Net Position +/- Under/over spend
	Budgeted	Actual	Variance	Budgeted	Actual	Variance	
Admin				42,821.00	1,457.87	41,363	41,363
Cafe				10,000.00		10,000	10,000
Capital		829.00	829	1,000.00	1,838.42	-838	-9
Communications				7,990.00	74.50	7,916	7,916
Income	280,879.00	128,071.66	-152,807				-152,807
Kingsnorth Green Spaces				51,870.00		51,870	51,870
Maintenance				25,794.00	1,164.79	24,629	24,629
Pavilion				12,276.00	424.81	11,851	11,851
Recreation Centre				5,000.00		5,000	5,000
Salaries				119,628.00	8,810.98	110,817	110,817
Section 137				2,500.00		2,500	2,500
Subscriptions				2,000.00		2,000	2,000
<b>NET TOTAL</b>		<b>128,900.66</b>	<b>-151,978</b>	<b>280,879.00</b>	<b>13,771.37</b>	<b>267,108</b>	<b>115,129</b>
<b>Total for ALL Cost Cen</b>		128,900.66					
<b>V.A.T.</b>		0.00					
<b>GROSS TOTAL</b>		<b>128,900.66</b>					

Councillors note acceptance of the Finance Report.

**PROPOSED BY CLLR S MOSS**  
**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 10**  
**MOTION MOVED.**

**SECONDED BY CLLR BARBER**  
**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**b. To Approve Payment of Invoices.**

No invoices to approve.

**c. Update on Financial Health Check**

Since the last meeting, most of the outstanding items on the Financial Health Check have been completed.

The Finance Clerk commented that there were a couple of places which needed to be risk assessed but that is not possible during the current situation.

Cllr Ransley asked that the Parish Councils old website be permanently removed as the new website is up and running.

**Action: Cllr Bridger to permanently remove the old Parish Council website.**

**d. Approve Finance Regulations**

Amendments needed to be made to Item 4 of the Financial Regulation. Cllr Hicks read out the amendments to all Councillors.

**PROPOSED BY CLLR CURTIS**  
**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 10**  
**MOTION MOVED.**

**SECONDED BY CLLR BRIDGER**  
**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**e. Approve Purchase of 2 x Defibrillators for phone boxes.**

Insurance claim had now been received to replace the stolen defibrillator in the telephone box on Steeds Lane. The Parish Manager had obtained quotes for the replacement of the stolen defibrillator and one for Stubbs Cross (which had been previously budgeted). The Parish Manager confirmed that the cost of the defibrillators would be £875 each plus VAT.

A conversation around the Security of the defibrillators took place.

Cllr Hicks recommended that the Parish Manager took the advice of KCC Councillor Mike Angell regarding contacting the Fire Authority however, if unsuccessful the Parish Manager is authorised to continue with the purchase of the two defibrillators.

**PROPOSED BY CLLR CURTIS**  
**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 10**  
**MOTION MOVED.**

**SECONDED BY CLLR TOWNEND**  
**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

## 7. Planning Matters.

### a. To consider all Planning Applications received.

The Parish office circulated the planning summaries report to all Parish Council Members prior to the meeting.

### b. To Note Decisions.

Cllr Hicks presented the planning applications and decisions were agreed by all Councillors'.

**Application Number:** 20/00480/AS

**Address:** 32 Skylark Way, Ashford, Kent, TN23 3QH

**Parish Ward:** Park Farm South Ward

**Proposal:** Single-storey garden outbuilding (retrospective)

**Parish Council Commented:** No Comment

**Application Number:** 20/00571/AS

**Address:** Hurstwood, Church Hill, Kingsnorth, Ashford, Kent, TN23 3EF

**Parish Ward:** Kingsnorth Village, & Bridgefield Ward

**Proposal:** Certificate of Lawful Development- Proposed - Partial conversion of existing garage space; Construction of open sided canopy porch

**Parish Council Commented:** No Objection

**Application Number:** 20/00011/GPDE/AS

**Address:** 37 Bluebell Close, Kingsnorth, Ashford, Kent, TN23 3NG

**Parish Ward:** Park Farm North

**Proposal:** Notification of a larger homes extension - single storey rear extension (depth 4m x ridge height 3.75 x eaves height 2.48m)

**Parish Council Commented:** No Objection

### c. To consider any Appeals and Enforcement Matters

A summary of Ashford Borough Council Decisions on planning applications discussed in previous meetings was documented.

### d. Any other planning matters

#### i. Kingsnorth Green planning application.

Cllr Ransley suggested contacting ABC for an extension of time for comments on the application.

Cllr Hicks suggested also telling ABC how disappointed the Parish Council are with the way the whole application is being handled.

Cllr Ransley asked that this be delegated to the Parish Manager for action.

**Action: Parish Manager to email ABC informing them how disappointed we are with the whole Kingsnorth Green application and ask for an extension on time for comments.**

Cllr Wedgbury suggested that the Parish Council writes a formal letter of complaint to the portfolio holder and Cc the lead of Ashford Borough Council. The letter should also ask the question 'Why is the developer putting up their own notices'?

All members agreed that the Parish Manager should write the letter of complaint to the portfolio holder and Cc the lead of Ashford Borough Council.

#### ii. Discussion on Parcel R

Cllr Ransley commented that his understanding was that there would have been an email circulated before any decisions were made so that Borough Councillors could comment if they disagreed, but this did not happen. Cllr Ransley's understanding was that ABC chose to use the 'Urgent or Emergency Powers' under the constitution that decide this application. Planning committee members should have been consulted about any policy change.

Cllr Wedgbury asked Cllr Ransley for confirmation that two Ward members had been consulted and failed to call it in. Cllr Ransley confirmed that one Ward member had been consulted and failed to call it in.

Cllr Hicks suggested that this could be spoken about in the closed session.

## 8. 2020/21 Parish Projects

### a. To discuss the list of projects suggested by Parish Councillors since the April Parish Council meeting.

A discussion took place around projects suggested by the Parish Council.

Cllr Ransley suggested items needed to be costed in more detail and should then go to the Finance Committee.

Cllr Hicks provided prices for the projects she had put forward.

Cllr Curtis suggested CCTV for Bridgefield Park and a defibrillator for outside of Budgens. Cllr Curtis added that Permission would need to be granted by ABC for the CCTV and Taylor Wimpey for the Defibrillator.

**b. Prioritise and agree projects on list.**

Cllr Hicks suggested that details be passed to the Finance Committee for review.

The Parish Manager suggested that smaller items be discussed and agreed amongst the Councillors for a budget and larger item should be passed to the Finance Committee.

Cllr Curtis commented that he would not agree to items not suggested by parishioners.

It was recommended by Cllr Curtis and Cllr Townend that the Parish Council should find out which projects parishioners would like to see in the Parish.

**9. Parish Community Grant Applications**

**a. To review community applications submitted in April 2020.**

**b. To agree/approve/reject applications**

**The Limes Community Garden Application - £600**

To provide facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation by providing an area for use as a community garden and other activities for individuals in The Limes, South Ashford, Kingsnorth, and surrounding areas.

Cllr Wedgbury commented that he strongly disagreed to Kingsnorth Parish Council spending money outside of the Parish.

Cllr Curtis responded to Cllr Wedgbury stating that this was taken into account and the amount was limited to £600 to match the funding of Stanhope Parish Council (agreed by Stanhope Parish Council prior to this meeting).

Cllr Hicks advised that although the garden was located in an adjoining parish most of the volunteers lived in our parish

**PROPOSED BY CLLR CURTIS**

**SECONDED BY CLLR S MOSS**

**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 8**

**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 2**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**MOTION MOVED.**

**Park Farm Rangers – £3,046.00**

Asked for kit for 11 or their 17 teams (Park Farm Rangers will fund the other 6 teams once their finances allow). The Parish Council logo will be displayed on the kits.

Cllr Ransley commented that ongoing costs do not fall within our policy and an informative explaining this.

**PROPOSED BY CLLR BRIDGER**

**SECONDED BY CLLR TOWNEND**

**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 10**

**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**MOTION MOVED.**

Cllr P Moss suggested Kingsnorth Parish Council donating a cup to the club.

**Action: Parish Manager to contact the Park Farm Rangers regarding the donation of a Club Cup.**

**Angling Society - £629.48**

To replace 6 new platforms around the Moat due to the current platforms not being fit for purpose.

**PROPOSED BY CLLR CURTIS**

**SECONDED BY CLLR P MOSS**

**ALL THOSE IN FAVOUR – 10**

**ALL THOSE AGAINST - 0**

**ABSTENTIONS - 0**

**MOTION MOVED.**

Parish Manager asked that we promote the Angling Society on our Website and Facebook page. All agreed.

**10. Items to be placed on next Agenda.**

None

**11. Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2020 at 7:00pm**



KCC Councillor Mike Angell asked Cllr Hicks if he could provide an update on the Kingsnorth Village Hall due to receiving updates during this meeting, Cllr Hicks agreed.

- Caretaker looking after building.
- Following on from the Prime Ministers update the hall will not be opened to the public but Little Stars Nursery will reopen.
- A deep clean will take place in the hall on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.
- 28<sup>th</sup> May a staff training day will take place.
- 1<sup>st</sup> June the nursery will open with restrictions (following Government Guidelines) in place.
- Cllr Mike Angell had applied for a Government Grant to help during the current COVID 19 emergency, which he confirmed had been accepted.

The Parish Manager asked if the Post Office (who rent a room in the hall) had still been paying rent to which Councillor Angell confirmed that they had.

There being no further business, Cllr Hicks closed the public meeting at 8.49pm and moved into a closed session.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_