

KESSINGLAND PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Climate, Culture, Community & Development Committee Meeting held at 4.00pm on Wednesday 20th July 2022 in the Council Chamber, Marram Green

Members present: Cllrs Cook, Graham, Green and McLean

Other Cllrs in attendance: None

Others present: None

Clerk to the Meeting: N. Coleby (Parish Clerk)

15. Welcome

16. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Saunders and Gower. Acceptance was proposed by Cllr McLean and seconded by Cllr Cook with all in favour.

17. Declarations of Interest.

There were no Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests from Councillors on items on the agenda and there were no written requests and grants of dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

18. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Cllr Graham proposed the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted as an accurate record of the meeting. This was seconded by Cllr McLean with all in favour.

19. Public Forum.

During each meeting the council will hold a public forum for a period of 10 minutes. During this time, residents will have a maximum of 3 minutes each to put views/questions to the Chair regarding matters on the agenda. Where possible the Chair will respond but the matter may have to be deferred and placed on a later month's agenda for discussion.

20. Climate

20.1 Councillors agreed that an open spaces plan will be drafted for the parish, which will inform readers on the land in which the council currently own, alongside the land that they hope to own in the future.

20.2 Councillors noted that East Suffolk have been approached again regarding land in the village and are currently waiting for their response.

20.3 Councillors noted that the SALC Climate Forum will be held on Tuesday 13th September 2022.

20.4 Councillors agreed that a working group should be set up to develop an action plan on recycling in the village. The working group will be advertised in The Village News in order to attract community involvement as well as councillor involvement. This was proposed by Cllr Green, which was seconded by Cllr McLean with all in favour.

- 20.5 Councillors agreed that Cllr Green will create a simple sustainability checklist for future council purchases and activities.

21. Culture

- 21.1 Councillors noted that the memorial plinth has been ordered from Howsham's with the agreed amendments. The Clerk will chase this up after the meeting.
- 21.2 Councillors noted that a follow up has taken place regarding historical plaques in the village.
- 21.3 Councillors noted that an initial meeting was held with Lowestoft Town Council regarding the Reclaim Memorial. It was also noted that Cllrs Dunne and Nicholls will join Cllr Green on the working group.

22. Community

- 22.1 Councillors noted that the Clerk has been in contact with our ESC Community Team member. Cllr Green suggested that the upcoming Hidden Needs Forums should take place on Mondays.
- 22.2 Councillors noted that the Seafront Improvements working group met on the 4th July and visited the Proms to consider the siting of bins and benches. The working group are currently waiting for a response from East Suffolk council, in hope that a meeting with them can be arranged.
- 22.3 Councillors agreed to change the Seafront Improvements working group into the Seafront Improvements sub-committee and will therefore adopt the draft T.O.R for the sub-committee. This was proposed by Cllr McLean, which was seconded by Cllr Cook with all in favour.

23. Development

- 23.1 Play Areas (Cllr Graham)
- a) Councillors noted that the parish council have received Boost funding and the accessible path from the car park to the play area at Francis Road has been installed. It was also noted that some more topsoil is needed for the site to cover the raw edges of the new path. Cllr Graham proposed that the committee liaise with the Events committee on this matter. This was seconded by Cllr McLean with all in favour.
 - b) Councillors noted that the equipment at the Church Road Play Area is in mostly good condition, however the cost of changing the roundabout into an accessible roundabout, along with some other toddler/accessibility items is being looked into.
 - c) Cllr Green proposed that quotes should be invited for adding an accessible path at Church Road play and seating areas.
- 23.2 Kessingland Community Kitchen & Wildlife Garden (Cllr McLean)
- a) Cllr McLean updated the committee on the vandalism that has taken place on the new pond at the Community Kitchen and Garden. Discussions with the Men's Shed are taking place in order to find a solution.
- 23.3 Village Sign Planting/Gates for the village (Cllr McLean & the Clerk)
- 23.4 Councillors noted that the planting of the village sign was put on hold until discussions regarding open spaces with East Suffolk had taken place.
- 23.5 Annual Photographic Competition
- a) Councillors agreed that the proposed rules and dates of the Photographic competition were suitable and ready to be launched. Cllr Green will get in contact with the Lowestoft Journal in order to find a potential external judge for the competition.

- 23.6 Councillors noted that in the 2022/23 year they will prioritise as follows the ongoing projects and also the following:
- a) Councillors noted progress on the Boardwalk, acknowledging the progress of the Seafront Improvements sub-committee.
 - b) Councillors noted the progress on changing all public bins within the village to general use including dog waste, to minimise need for separate dog waste bins.
 - c) Councillors discussed setting up a working group for the community to support the Planning and Highways committee to carry out an accessibility audit as well as developing a cycling plan, which would tie into connecting parishes, East Suffolk and Suffolk County Council.
 - d) Councillors considered creating a timetable system to engage with the community about future village improvements. It was suggested that public survey on village improvements would be useful for community interaction.

24. **Date of Next Meeting.**

It was noted that the date and time of the next meeting is scheduled to be 14th September 2022 at 4pm at Marram Green.

25. **Items for the next agenda.**

The last date for notifying the Clerk of items for the agenda will be the 5.00pm on the 5th September 2022.

26. **Close of Meeting.**

The meeting closed at 5.35pm.