

## **KING'S SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2014 IN THE KING'S SUTTON MILLENNIUM MEMORIAL HALL**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs G Searle (Chairman), D Bridson, G Bruce, B Burrell, E Cross,  
W Dowling, A Essex, T Forde, C Hill, R Irving, V Lee, W Mullis,  
M Paterson and R Sykes.  
Cllr R Sawbridge, NCC  
PCSO Simon Phillips, Northants Police  
Mr D Hall, Parish Paths Warden  
Mrs S Barrow, Public Transport Liaison Correspondent  
10 members of the public

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs A Le Druillenec (Clerk)

**APM: 1/14 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES:**

Cllr I Morris, SNC, Mrs E Al-Anazi, Editor, KS Times,  
Mr P Addison, Chairman, KS Playing Fields Association,  
Mrs H Forde

**APM: 2/14 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
HELD 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2013:**

**RESOLVED:** It was proposed by Cllr Burrell and seconded by Cllr Forde to Approve the  
Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

**APM: 3/14 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2013  
NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

**None.**

**APM: 4/14 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Cllr Geoffrey Searle:**

Cllr Searle read out his Report.  
(previously posted on [www.kingssutton.org](http://www.kingssutton.org) and available at the APM)  
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Cllr Searle expressed his thanks to the Clerk and all Councillors for their  
assistance during the year. Cllr Searle was also grateful to:  
Mr Dave Hall for his work monitoring the parish Rights of Way network of  
footpaths; to Mrs Liz Al-Anazi for editing the KS Times, to Mrs Ann-Marie  
Nice for ensuring the waste bin at the Cemetery was put out and taken back in  
on collection days; and to Mr Derek and Mrs Diane Wolton for litter  
collection and maintenance of the play equipment at The Rec.

**APM: 5/14 PRINCIPAL AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVES:**

**5.1 Cllr Ron Sawbridge, NCC:**

Cllr Sawbridge read out his report.  
(previously posted on [www.kingssutton.org](http://www.kingssutton.org) and available at the APM)  
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Cllr Sawbridge added that he had just applied on behalf of the Short Mat Bowls Club for a grant of £800 for a replacement mat.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Sawbridge for his report.

**5.2 Cllr Ian Morris, SNC:**

Cllr Morris was unable to attend.  
(Report previously posted on [www.kinssutton.org](http://www.kinssutton.org) and available at the APM)  
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The Chairman advised that queries about HS2 would be passed to Cllr Morris.

**APM: 6/14 POLICE REPORT: PCSO Simon Phillips C7113:**

PCSO Phillips is based at Brackley Police Station. His beat covers King's Sutton and Little Purston. He had been on the beat for only 2 weeks.

A. Crime Statistics for the period April 2013 - March 2014:

- i) Northamptonshire: 46,900 total no. crimes  
(down by 13% on previous year)
- ii) South Northamptonshire: 2,517  
(down by 292 or 10.49% on previous year, 24% success rate in crime solving)
- iii) King's Sutton: 47 recorded crimes, 6 of these occurred in 2014.  
(Up by 8 on previous year)

Type	No.
Burglary Dwelling (from residents' (properties)	2
Burglary Other (from business properties)	9
Criminal Damage (parking issues, neighbour disputes)	7
Drug Offences (cannabis, -warning given)	1
Robbery (3 suspects interviewed and charged)	1
Sexual Offence	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle (number plate checks to see if bolted on)	4
Thefts (majority from the Co-Op store- a few offenders were caught and some detained; Building materials stolen from new build)	15
Violent Offences (Domestic; neighbours)	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>

B. Other:

- i) Fuel thefts in the Middleton Cheney - King's Sutton area

### C. Police Activity:

Communications with Thames Valley Police are not easy.

Police visibility is greater with more Police vehicles.

Attendance at community events. Information gathering through surveys.

Recruitment Drive for volunteers: Special Constables, Street Wardens

PCSO Phillips advised members of the public to report crimes using 101, provide vehicle registration numbers where necessary. Most crimes are repetitive and preventable. King's Sutton is a safe place to live (relatively).

### D. From the Floor:

i) 'Cars parked on the junction of Bulls Lane and Whittall Street by the Three Tuns were in danger of causing a collision'.

PCSO Phillips advised that in 2006 parking on pavements was decriminalised. An offence is deemed to have occurred if the vehicle is parked in such a way as to be causing an obstruction or if parked on double yellow lines. The Police have no powers in other instances of 'inconsiderate' parking.

ii) Response Time: 30mins. Base: Brackley Police Station.

iii) King's Sutton Railway Station: Late returning trains. Shift pattern difficulties in respect of increasing police presence in the station car park. Northants Police work with the British Transport Police. Efforts are being made to tighten security at Banbury.

The Chairman thanked PCSO Phillips for his Report.

## **APM: 7/14 Q&A on WRITTEN REPORTS:**

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### **7.1 ORGANISATIONS:**

**7.1.1 Poor's Allotment Charity: Mr Bob Burrell, Clerk to the Trustees:**

**7.1.2 King's Sutton Millennium Memorial Hall and Health Centre: Mr Bob Burrell, Chairman of Trustees/Committee of Management:**

**7.1.3 King's Sutton Playing Fields Association: Miss T Pitts, Secretary:**

**7.1.4 Public Transport: Mrs Sheila Barrow:**

Mrs Barrow read out her Report.

An update on the Station Car Park could be found in Cllr Morris' Report.

### **7.2 WARDENS:**

**7.2.1 Parish Paths Warden: Mr Dave Hall:**

From the Floor:

i) Unmarked paths in wheat fields near Warkworth: Mr Hall would investigate. Landowners were allowed 14 days to reinstate paths.

ii) Directional signposts: Not many pointed to where the paths led, a demerit that Mr Hall had reported to the ROW Officer, NCC.

iii) Dog fouling: slight improvement noticed.

**7.2.2 Tree Warden: Cllr Alan Essex: No Report.**

**7.2.3 War Memorial Warden: Mr Andrew Waite:**

### **7.3 PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES:**

#### **7.3.1 Planning: Cllr Forde:**

Cllr Forde updated the Meeting on 1 Orchard Way: Enforcement Notice. Retrospective application for planning permission. The Parish Council had objected. The decision of the Planning Authority, SNC was awaited.

From the Floor:

- i) Ten Additional Houses at Land to the west of Banbury Lane: No planning application had been submitted.
- ii) Flood Alleviation Scheme: SNC had instructed BWB Engineering Consultants to approach the Environment Agency in respect of funding for 2014/2015 and design principles.
- iii) Barwood Homes development: Barwood had supplied the relevant documents to SNC for discharge of conditions. Construction Management Statement. The Parish Council would press for the open space to be used as a compound for construction vehicles and operatives etc. Barwood was carrying out an archaeological survey. Section 106 developer contributions in which the Parish Council had had no input or been invited to be consulted on included Primary Education; Bus Shelters (the Parish Council wished to negotiate on this); and Off Site Play Provision (this would be allocated to The Rec, the time sequence for release of funds was critical). Access from Hampton Drive to Banbury Lane was a matter for the developer.
- iv) Development in Oxfordshire: Cllr Sawbridge had drawn attention to concerns in his Report.

#### **7.3.2 Finance Governance & Policy: Cllr Burrell:**

### **7.4 PARISH COUNCIL REMITS:**

#### **7.4.1 The Cemetery: Cllr Searle:**

Verbal Report: No progress re. Land acquisition for extension

#### **7.4.2 Communications: Cllr Bridson:**

#### **7.4.3 Footway Lighting: Cllr Dowling:**

Verbal Report: Lighting Scheme for Banner Homes development.

From the Floor:

- i) Request for additional light o/s 39 Glebe Rise

#### **7.4.4 The Rec: Cllrs Hill and Mullis:**

Planning permission was required for the play project.

#### **7.4.5 Traffic Calming and Highways, including Speedwatch: Cllrs Cross and Sykes:**

The Chairman thanked the Representatives, Wardens and Councillors for their Reports.

### **APM: 8/14 PARISH COUNCIL PROJECTS:**

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### **8.1 Flood Alleviation: Cllr Forde:**

From the Floor:

i) Banbury Flood Alleviation Scheme and its impact on Wales Street: The Environment Agency had advised that it would only provide negligible relief and so a separate bespoke scheme for Wales Street would be required.

The Banbury Scheme was designed to protect central Banbury and the town's new build, not King's Sutton.

ii) Banner Homes: SNC's Flood Alleviation Scheme for Wales Street had been approved in December 2013. The subsequent application for 10 additional houses had altered the route for the bund.

iii) Banbury lane FAS: The existing bund will be removed by the developer, Barwood Homes.

A new ditch at the top of the field will be dug, as priority, to channel water into the field drain into the newly enlarged culvert. Balancing ponds to be built:- 2 for surface water drainage and one storage pond for additional capacity

### **8.2 Play Project at The Rec: Cllrs Hill and Mullis:**

The Report is included in the Report of The Rec.

### **8.3 The Way Ahead: Cllrs Bridson, Forde and Irving:**

From the Floor:

i) Complaint: The survey was not user friendly. A large print version was available and help to complete would be provided on collection.

ii) Status of the Survey: The information provided could form the basis for a future Neighbourhood Plan.

### **APM: 9/14 QUESTIONS FROM PARISHIONERS:**

(limited to 3 mins).

**None.**

The Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and everyone who had submitted Reports.

The Annual Parish Meeting 2014 ended at 9.10 p.m.