

# Kingsley Parish Council

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## Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Kingsley Parish Council held at 7:00pm on 16 July 2024 at Kingsley Community Centre, 34 Smithy Lane, Kingsley, Frodsham, WA6 8ED.

Present: Cllrs Critchley (Chairman), Crossley (Vice Chairman), Fletcher, Moores, Owen.

In Attendance: Mr Luke Trevaskis (Proper Officer), and five residents.

<b>Minute 24.031</b>	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies received from Cllr Dan Oppenheim and Cllr Tim Vernon.
<b>Minute 24.032</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> None.
<b>Minute 24.033</b>	<b>Public Participation</b> A resident requested an update regarding speeding vehicles and road signage.  A query was raised regarding the Council's position on etchings on memorial headstones. It was confirmed that the Council does not yet have a clear policy direction in this regard, and family members of a loved one who has passed requested that a property located in France, with significant meaning to the family and their loved one, be etched into their memorial headstone. Some confrontation arose during discussions, and the members of the public were requested to leave the meeting.  A resident expressed concern regarding the uneven ground in the new section of the cemetery - members agreed to take a look at the issue and decide whether a solution could be found.
<b>Minute 24.034</b>	<b>Minutes</b> The minutes of the prior meeting were approved.
<b>Minute 24.035</b>	<b>Finance</b> The Council approved the Q1 Budget Report and Bank Reconciliation.

<p><b>Minute 24.036</b></p>	<p><b>Cemetery</b></p> <p>The Council adopted its Memorial Safety Inspection Policy, subject to the below amends on page 3 of 4:</p> <p>‘On identifying a P1 memorial the inspector shall arrange for the memorial (or part thereof) to be laid flat and a notice will be installed on the memorial advising the owner to contact the Council to discuss failure.’</p> <p>The Council received an update on the cemetery works and noted the improvement of the site.</p> <p>The Council agreed for a structural survey to be undertaken of the cemetery wall at a cost of £675+VAT, to be facilitated by the PO.</p> <p>The Council received a request for an etching to be included on a memorial, and agreed to review its position on etchings at its next meeting subject to some further guidance from the PO (to take into consideration comments from members to avoid portraits, pets, football club emblems, vehicles etc, and for all etchings to be in natural stone).</p> <p>The Council considered its current cemetery fees and agreed for these to remain the same for FY2425, except for the resident fee for cremated remains which was to be raised to £350.00</p> <p>The Council approved the necessary tree works to take place at an estimated cost of £820.00</p>
<p><b>Minute 24.037</b></p>	<p><b>Village Projects</b></p> <p>The Council agreed the cost for the clearance of BR25 to proceed - to be facilitated by the PO.</p> <p>The Council noted that bridleways were not the responsibility of KPC, and it was agreed that some further clarification regarding PROWs should be included on the website.</p> <p>The Council noted a new Spacehive funding application would be submitted.</p> <p>The Council received an update on Middle Lane Playing Field, noting an officer had now advised they would be giving the matter more attention.</p> <p>The Council agreed a seasonal planting scheme for the planters throughout the Village, agreeing that these should be replanted in winter, spring and summer each year. PO to facilitate.</p> <p>The Council noted that following its letter to CWaC there had been some weed control application undertaken in the parish, although an official response had not been received to its letter.</p> <p>The Council considered a report regarding the future of open space maintenance in the parish, and the Council’s role. It was agreed to compile a survey that could be circulated to all residents in time for the next budget setting process, to understand key priorities of the community, and identify 5-10 main projects for the Council to focus on in the coming years.</p>
<p><b>Minute 24.038</b></p>	<p><b>Playing Field</b></p> <p>The Council noted the new bench would shortly be installed and it was agreed to donate the redundant benches to local organisations should they be able to collect.</p> <p>The Council noted the tree guards had arrived and were in the boardroom awaiting installation.</p>

<p><b>Minute 24.039</b></p>	<p><b>Highways</b></p> <p>The Council noted a detailed letter was sent to several officers at CWaC to outline concerns regarding the vegetation on pavements.</p> <p>The Council noted a site inspection had been delayed due to the elections.</p> <p>Members noted some feedback from another parish council regarding the effectiveness of technology used to monitor speeding vehicles.</p>
<p><b>Minute 24.040</b></p>	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p>24/01894/FUL - Orchard End Farm - no comments.</p> <p>24/01784/FUL - Newhey - no comments.</p> <p>24/01578/LDC - Kingsley Cottage - no comments.</p>
<p><b>Minute 24.041</b></p>	<p><b>Chairperson's Report</b></p> <p>It was noted that the planning application for the Frodsham Receiver's Station had been refused.</p>
<p><b>Minute 24.042</b></p>	<p><b>Ward Councillor's Report</b></p> <p>Apologies were sent by Cllr Deynem.</p>
<p><b>Minute 24.043</b></p>	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Members noted the date of the next meeting would be:</p> <p>17 September 2024</p>