

Kexby Annual Parish Meeting

Minutes of a meeting held in the village hall on Thursday 10th May 2018 at 7:30pm

Parish Councillors present; Ron Gore (Chair), Lee Hoggarth, Sue Farrow, David Edwardson, David Forrest.

There were also 10 members of the public present.

The chairman opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their interest

1. **Apologies** had been received from; Clare Cuckson, Chris Petty, Carol & Michael Lyons.
2. **Minutes of the meeting held on 24th May 2017** had been circulated and were approved.
3. **Chairman's Report** was delivered (copy attached) which resulted in the following discussions;
 - **Phone box** – after some discussion it was unanimously decided that this should be retained, refurbished and moved to a central location within the village. Chris Petty had agreed to lead a group of volunteers, the clerk would put together a list. Two potential sites were agreed, the village green and the grass area on the opposite side of the road by the well however there was some concern over the latter site being too wet. The chairman would consult the highways authority to get their views about the possible sites before a final decision was made. The clerk would consult WLDC to ascertain the position regarding planning permission. David Forrest offered to organise movement of the box when appropriate.
 - **Westgate Planning Application** – The chairman was able to update the meeting that he had discovered that the re-submission had been rejected.
 - **Drains on Glentworth Road** – some work had been undertaken on these resulting in some improvement however further work was still required. The existing network had been flushed out but there was a need to replace approximately 3 metres of old clay pipes with plastic. These were on the grass verge so there would be no need for a road closure.
 - **Parish website** – Kexby was in the process of changing to a new website hosted by Lincolnshire County Council (in common with many other parishes in the county). This would enable much easier management of the site so that information could be shared quickly and efficiently. There would be a facility for parishioners to register for alerts to notify them when new items had been added.
 - **Volunteers** – The Parish Council would like to maintain a register of potential volunteers to help out periodically. This might involve help with delivery of leaflets or specific jobs such as moving the Speed Indicator Device (SID) or renovating the phone box. Interested parties were asked to pass their details to the clerk who would manage the list. Details would remain confidential to the Parish Council and would not be passed on to third parties without consent. There were several offers from the floor to get the register started. **Anyone else interested in volunteering should contact the clerk at Geoff.kexbypc@btinternet.com.**

Finance Report – the balance sheet for 2017/18 had been circulated and was explained. The clerk pointed out that, under the **exercise of public right**, the accounts and internal auditor’s report would be made available for any members of the public to view for 30 days.

Anyone wishing to exercise this right should make an appointment to do so at a mutually convenient time on the dates below;

- From Monday 4th June until Friday 22nd June with Geoff Payne, 16 Glentworth Road
- From Monday 25th June until Friday 13th July with Clare Cuckson, 26 High Street

Open Forum

- **Car parking** – it was often difficult to pass parked cars at the east end of Glentworth Road, the Council were asked if they would contact the Highways Authority to see if they would tarmac the “layby” which had been created along side them. The chairman agreed to do so.
- **Dog control** – the council was asked whether there was a local by-law requiring dogs to be kept on leads. The clerk would investigate.
- **Parish Council Meetings** – it was confirmed that members of the public had a right to attend any Parish Council meetings. 15 minutes was allocated at the start of any meeting for members of the public to raise any issues of concern. Beyond that 15 minute slot they could remain in the meeting but were not allowed to speak unless specifically invited to do so by the chair.

The WI were thanked for providing refreshments once again and the meeting closed at 8:50pm