Minutes for 4th October 2016

Keresley Parish Council

of PC Meeting 2016

Present: Walter Milner (Chair), Tracy Gudgeon , Dorothy Hall, Malcolm Jackson, and Jim Passmore

7 Meeting opened at 7:10 pm

2016.32 **Apologies**

Cllr. Camwell not present due to family matters.

2016.33. **Minutes of the last meeting**

No corrections. Acceptance of minutes proposed by Cllr D Hall and seconded by Cllr J Passmore. Acceptance passed nem con.

2016.34 **Declarations of interest**

None

2016.35 **Items for discussion from the floor**

It was suggested that the Newsletter be printed at a more professional standard. Cllr Gudgeon will look into the possibility of getting it printed by the Reprographic Facility at Tracy's university, or a Parish Council printer may be bought. The format will also be looked at.

It was also requested that we send the dates of Parish Council Meetings to Mr Stratton of the Keresley United Reform Church.

Also it appears that St Thomas's fete will coincide with the Allesley Show according to Mark and the Keresley Rugby Club.

Cllr Milner had attended a meeting with Craig Tracey (MP for North Warwickshire and Bedworth) concerning the proposed housing numbers in the Covetry Local Plan, in terms of teh handling of student numbers, an dteh effects of Brexit on international migration. Mr. Tracey agreed to ask corresonding questions in teh House, and hold a meeting with Gavin Barwell, the planning minister. Craig Tracey has been very helpful and supportive.

Also Nuneaton and Borough Council have invited comments on the scoping report (which is very technical.

Ward forums were discussed. Coventry City Council is reviewing them. It is suggested that the Parish Council writes a letter of protest to Coventry City Council (Council Member responsible Linda Bingham) and sends a copy to the Coventry Telegraph.

The North Warwickshire Forum is at Keresley Library on Friday 7th October.

The plaque commemorating Queen Elizabeth II's 90th Birthday needs a cross bar and torque nuts to properly secure it.

The Oak Tree will arrive in early November for planting and the Tree Wardens and scouts will plant it (to be arranged by email).

The Parish Council is awaiting a report on the condition of the notice board and whether it will need to be repaired or replaced.

The Parish Council will ask the Planning Department for the agreement made concerning the maintenance of trees on Robert Atchison Way when planning permission was granted.

The Parish Council will agree a response by email to the Boundary Commission's proposal for the Coventry North East constituency and copy it to the Coventry Telegraph.

It was suggested that the Parish Council hold an Open Day at the Hare and Hounds, ask Mark Norris if the Civic Parish Council could have a table at the Christmas fete and also ask the Keresley Rugby Club if we could have a table at their future events.

2016.36 **Finance**

The current cash book was tabled. The Audit is displayed on the website and the notice board. WALC informed us that agreeing the Financial Governance and the Audit should not be on the same minutes, so we must change our procedures.

2016.37 **Trees on Robert Atchison Way**

The Council must get the Treewise Report from Bromford Housing and send a letter (including the report) pointing out the danger of the trees (and their branches) falling and injuring a person or causing a road traffic accident to Coventry City Council. Contractors have cut the hedges, but the trees are killing all of the other plants near them.

2016.38 **Planning**

Cllr Milner would attend and speak at the Local Plan Inspection hearings on the Green Belt and environment.

2016.39 **Co-option of Parish Councillor**

Thomas (Tom) Hingson was proposed by Cllr Milner for co-option, seconded by Cllr Gudgeon and passed nem con. He will sign the Declaration of Interests and other forms at the next meeting.

2016.40 **PCSO Report**

PCSO Ryan Mooney attended and reported that there is not a great deal of crime in the neighbourhood but made the following observations and recommendations :-

i) People should generally be alert and vigilant. They should check for strangers loitering around when they leave home and ring 101 to warn the police if they spot anyone suspicious. People should close windows and other means of entry (even via flat roofs) before leaving the house. People should also watch out for opportunists and distraction crime.

ii) If you spot any speeding vehicles try to take a note of the registration number and type of vehicle. The Community Speeding Officers are PCs Richard Owen and Stuart Wheeler

It would be useful if 2 or 3 residents could help in a Speed Watch (in areas different to the ones they live in).

The St Michael's Neighbourhood Team cover Coventry City Centre.

ii)Most of the local vehicular crime is centred on the hotel car parks and it is advisable to remove any (valuable) tools from vehicles when they are to be left unattended.

There have been some daytime burglaries around the Holyhead Road in Coundon.

To check the crime figures of the local area check on -

https://www.police.uk/west-midlands/CVEA/

There is a Neighbourhood Watch Meeting at the Royal Court Hotel on 6th December 2016 @ 7:30 pm, where local residents will be welcome.

2016.41 **Other items** to be considered at later Parish Council Meetings

Setting up a local Neighbourhood Watch scheme to be discussed after the December meeting

There is the problem of FlyTipping in Watery Lane. It was suggested that we erect signs indicating that the area is under CCTV surveillance. It was proposed that the Parish Council contacts someone about making yellow signs to adhere to lamp posts on Fivefield Road and Watery Lane. (This area is under CCTV Surveillance?) Cllr Gudgeon will mention the problem of Fly Tipping at the Ward Forum.

2016.42 **Date of next meeting** 15th November 2016

Agreed. Meeting closed at 8:50 pm

Carol Milner Parish Clerk