

KELLY BRAY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES of MEETING held on WEDNESDAY 17th November 2021.

In the Swingletree.

Present: Susie Iannantuoni (Chairman), Gerald Pridham (Vice Chairman), Pam Kennaugh (Treasurer), Jo Earl (Secretary), Gloria Pridham, Michael Iannantuoni, Peter Stevens, Jeff Groom, John Kennaugh, Lawrence Easton, Sam Bowen.

In attendance: County Councillor Andrew Long and Town Councillor Mark Smith.

Apologies: Lorraine Stephens, Margaret Rudling.

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 7.30pm by the Chairman who welcomed all those present.

Councillor Long: Councillor Long had to leave early so the Chairman allowed him to speak first.

1) Highways. Average speed cameras, installed on the A388 would cost £250,000 which would have to be paid for by the Town Council. In order to qualify for them it would have to be proven that at least 85% of vehicles were exceeding the speed limit. The three worst roads for speeding are Launceston Road, Station Road and Stoke Road. Speed measuring devices will be requested for all three roads but this might be restricted to only one. The residents were asked to consider which road should take priority in the event of only one being measured. This will be decided later.

2) Budget cuts are coming. The difference between spending and income, including grants from the Government is £280 million pounds.

3) The flooding at Isacombe on the A388 has been looked at by the Council and the Environment Agency. It looks as though it is caused from excessive water coming down from Kit Hill which brings debris with it. This has blocked the pipe which takes the water under the road.

4). Launceston Road bus shelter(s). These are in the pipeline. The area has been appraised and the patch of grass beside Trefloyd Close is suitable for the erection of a proposed new shelter on the north-bound side of the road. There are four shelters in need of replacement in Callington & Kelly Bray, none of which take priority. This is all however, subject to budget cuts.

5). Street sign, Stoke Terrace. This is on their list of works to be done.

Gerald asked why we can't buy items from the Council Recycling Centres. The Council are missing a trick and could raise much needed money from this. Devon and Somerset councils already do this. Cllr Long said it was the Council's policy but he will take the suggestion back to the Council.

Peter asked about the damage to the pavement and curb in Parsons Green which was caused by the developer. Cllr Long said that the money paid by developers is small (section 106) and this money goes into a general fund for repairs, etc. There seems to be no way of punishing the developer for the damage. The whole pavement needs resurfacing but Cormac are losing 10% of their staff due to cuts so this may not be done any time soon. If Peter wants to pursue the developer then he needs to contact the Highways Officer at the Road Enforcement department at Highways.

Gerald asked why Cormac staff were regularly working away from the county when there was so much work to be done here. Cllr Long replied that Cormac has three

arms, and one is a contract in Nottingham. This raises money to pay for work to be done here.

The Council makes £12 million profit annually from car parks. This money goes to pay for outside services.

Susie asked how they allocate services. There are three levels, yellow, amber and red. In the past, when an issue became yellow, it was dealt with. Nowadays, that issue is not dealt with until it becomes red.

Treasurer's Report: There is £4,449.30 in the bank, £3,500 of this being the money from the Charity Commission. £106 is still to be paid as the balance for the Christmas lights.

MATTERS ARISING:

Launceston Road bus shelter: See Cllr Long's comments above.

Christmas Tree & Lights: Gerald had had problems with a supplier in Torpoint who promised lights but then couldn't deliver. Better lights have now been purchased for £500. These are coloured, with individual replaceable bulbs. The new permanent fixings for the tree have been installed and the tree will be put up on November 23rd. Thanks go to Cllr Smith for his help in getting the Town Council to pay for the fixings.
Light-up: Karen is happy to have us in the Swingletree after the lights have been switched on. KBRA will supply the mince pies.

Problems around Parsons Green: See item above.

Newsletter: Jo has 74 email addresses for people to receive the next newsletter which will be digital. Only one person has so far requested a paper copy. Paper copies will be available in the Swingletree, the Post Office and Beeching Stores. Susie thanked Jo for all her hard work.

The waste bin in Stoke Road has still not been secured to the pavement.

Susie said we need to manage our expectations. If there is no money then the less important issues will not be resolved.

Speeding: Shortly after our last meeting the police carried out speed checks in Kelly Bray where they caught many speeding vehicles. It was suggested that we write to the police to ask for their results. Susie said she is still pursuing Community Speedwatch but some of her volunteers have moved from the area. Several proposals for traffic calming in St Ann's Chapel have recently been announced. Cllr Smith suggested we ask Calstock Parish Council for details of how they went about getting their consultation in the first place.

Planning. Nothing to report.

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. There will be four days of celebrations, from 2nd to 5th June 2022. Callington Lions will be organising the Thursday which will be focussed on children's entertainment. In the evening a beacon will be lit on Kit Hill, with music and the Town Crier. There will be Bingo in the town.

On the Friday there will be a live screening of the service in St Paul's Cathedral and later a celebratory tea.

The Saturday will be organised by The Rotary Club, with a food fair and entertainment in the park. In the evening there will be live bands.

On Sunday there will be 'Proms in the Park' with local music, local bands and a gospel choir.

Kelly Bray's celebration will be on the Sunday, from 2pm to 5pm. Our free event will be a Jubilee Party for the whole community. There will be a free tea. The mining company has offered us some money to go towards the food. We need to be prepared early to beat an expected demand for Jubilee related items. We will approach local businesses for donations. Ginsters have offered some money for Callington's celebrations so we will request a share of this from Mike Tagg, overall organiser.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

It was requested that items that are still active should be kept on the agenda until resolved, with dates of when first raised and who is responsible.

Sam Bowen asked if speeding in Florence Road had been highlighted but nobody had heard any complaints.

Gloria asked Karen if she would acquire the mince pies for after the light-up as she can source them more cheaply. Karen agreed. KBRA will pay.

Date of next meeting: This will be the AGM, followed by a regular meeting. Wednesday 19th January, 7.30pm in the Swingletree.

Close: The meeting closed at 8.50pm.