Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh held on Wednesday 11th November 2015 at Kimble Stewart Hall at 7.30pm

Prior to the start of this meeting a short time will be allocated, subject to the sole discretion *Chairman of the meeting, for statements or questions from members of the public*

Attendance

Councillor John Austin (Chairman), Councillor Delia Burton, Councillor Gerald Redding, Councillor James Good, Councillor Alun Jones, Councillor David Williams

Clerk: Julie Bunker

1. Apologies

To receive and accept any apologies for absence – none received.

2. Declaration of interest in any item on this agenda by a member

None declared

3. Minutes

To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 9th September 2015 and 14th October 2015 The minutes were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

4. To review accounts up to end of October an approve payments for October and November 2015.

The Clerk presented the Accounts and payments, which were unanimously approved

Payments for approval at November 2015 Meeting			
882	Julie Bunker	Clerks Salary (November)	£312.50
883	Julie Bunker	Clerks Expenses (November)	£53.02
	Total for month		£365.52

5. To review draft budget 2016-17 Budget and discuss Precept

The draft budget was debated and future projects discussed, including funding earmarked for projects that are taking too long to come to fruition and a way forward needs to be found for these projects or consideration given to reallocating the funding. No firm resolution on precept figure for 2016-17 was reached, it was resolved to add this item to the December agenda for further discussion

6. Casual Vacancy - The Parish Council are now able to Co-opt a new member

To discuss recruitment of suitable candidates.

There have been no applications received for this vacancy which will continue to be advertised in the Newsletter, Website and word of mouth.

7. Planning Applications and appeals

To review and confirm the responses made to Wycombe District Council by the planning committee. (Updated list sent prior to meeting)

The Parish Council reviewed the current planning applications and agreed on comments to be submitted to Wycombe District Council.

8. Playground Refurbishment – Update - Cllr Delia Burton.

Cllr Burton reported that she was not at all happy with the way Sovereign had managed the refurbishment and with their lack of Customer Service. The work has still not been completed which meant a 4.5 day job has taken over 3 weeks. Once the works are complete we will carry out and inspection and send a snagging list. It is unlikely we will use this company again for the next 2 phases and a formal letter of complaint will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

9. Royal British Legion Poppy Wreath

To agree a donation with the RBL for the Poppy Wreath It was unanimously agreed to raise the contribution to this cause to £100.

10. Children's Fitness Classes - Cllr Delia Burton

To discuss possible funding of classes at Great Kimble School.

After discussion it was felt that this should be something that is part of the School responsibility so no further action to be taken.

11. Invitation for a Volunteer to join Bucks Local Access Forum regarding historical research towards achieving more joined up public access on rights of way.

To receive any nominations for this project

The Clerk was asked to write formally to Roger Howgate to see if he would like to be part of this project.

12. Correspondence, reports and Issues from Councillors and Parish Clerk

- o Parish Council maintained areas (to include grass cutting, play area, litter bins etc.)
 - The Clerk was asked to contact Richard Billyard with an update on siding out work around the Parish, in particular the work on the A4010 from Brook Cottage towards Terrick.
 - The green Grit bin near the Stream Bridge in Marsh is not maintained and has become an
 unofficial litter bin. TfB will not maintain it as it was not installed by them. The Clerk will
 arrange for it to be removed.

Report/Issues from Clerk

- East West Rail There has been a report suggesting this may be delayed by up to seven
 years but there has been no confirmation that this is the case.
 Local Residents have set up www.kimblerail.uk which has a lot of information regarding the
 scheme plus comments from locals and those affected further up the line where work is taking
 place already.
- FP29 Inspectorate has found in favour of BCC so the footpath will be diverted.
- Church Lane/School parking issues TfB have finally made contact and suggested dates to meet up to discuss, it is hoped this will be before the end of November and involve all interested parties. A practical way forward needs to be agreed.
- Issuing of Agenda and Meeting papers Councillors agreed to print their own papers now
 that electronically signed agenda can legally be used. However if any Councillor needs
 papers printed they will contact the Clerk who will print.
- The Clerk has negotiated a new payroll provider and reduced cost from £250 to £125 per annum.

Reports/Issues from Councillors

 Overhanging hedges along various footways are a problem, the Clerk will once again include this in the Newsletter report and encourage landowners to cut back their boundary hedges and shrubs.

Correspondence Received

- War Memorial Trust Magazine
- Clerk and Councils Magazine
- Chalk and Trees Magazine
- **13.** To receive items for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting of the council on **Wednesday 9th December 2015 at 7.30pm** at Kimble Stewart Hall Committee Room.
 - Parish Projects for 2016/17

Councillor John Austin (Chairman)

9th December 2015

Julie Bunker (Parish Clerk) 9th December 2015

Chair Clerk