



## HIGH KELLING PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the High Kelling Annual Parish Meeting held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm in the Village Hall

#### Annual Parish Meeting

Meeting was attended by: Cllr. D Carter, Cllr. G Lane, Cllr. J Kemp & Cllr. J Mangan  
Clerk: J Wisson

1. **To receive apologies for absence** – apologies from Cllr N Doran, Cllr. S Rutherford, Cllr. M Pearman, Cllr. D Henderson and Cllr P Kelly.
2. **Declarations and Dispensations Requests by Councillors in any of the Agenda Items listed below** – none received
3. **Agree the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held in May 2021** – proposed by Cllr. J Kemp, seconded by Cllr. G Lane – **ALL AGREED**
4. **Receive the Chairmans Report** – added as appendix A
5. **Public Opportunity for Questions to Councillors** – no members of the public attended
6. **Public to help decide what is important for the Parish Plan** – Councillors review draft plan and discussed all aspects with amendments to be added and brought to July meeting. Parish Council Open Day to meet your councillors and opportunity to ask NNDC if officers would be available to meet our parishioners. Date to be confirmed
7. **Update on the Queens Jubilee Celebrations** – Four days worth of activities with a Hog Roast and Afternoon tea party. A Community group has worked hard to bring together activities that would enhance the celebrations and the Parish Council would like to thank all involved.

Meeting concluded at 7:55pm

Next Parish meeting is 19<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm at the Village Hall

## Appendix A

### Chair's report to the High Kelling Parish Council AGM May 2022

We have had a very busy year, we have maintained a full complement of Councillors. Meeting in Full Council every second month and through a Communication and Engagement Group on the months in between.

We identified priorities for the financial year 2021-22, having listened to what villagers told us as the result of the village consultation carried out the previous financial year.

Our main activities have centred around the following priorities:-

#### # A148/Bridge Rd

We have addressed concerns about speeding and safety in general by:

Evaluating the purchase of our own SAM2, setting aside funding and looking at opportunities for match funding or better sharing opportunities.

Clearing the footpaths along side the road, obtaining an improved footpath from Avenue to Vale Rds, working with the Police to address concerns about speeding and identifying the NCC Highways Dept. potholes and other defects.

Planting and tubs along its length to empathise there is A VILLAGE in the woods.

Working with District/County Cllr Eric Vardy on Bridge Rd to look at solutions to reduce speed and hazards at the bridge itself.

#### # The Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

Led on village celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, provided funding for events and a bench, planting and trees to commemorate the historic event.

#### # Litter Picking

Litter picking both at the beginning of Summer and Winter,  
purchase of equipment.

#### # Welcoming new villagers

Introducing a Welcome to High Kelling Pack.

#### # Map and calendar

Commissioned a new village map and a calendar.

#### # Planning

Continued to scrutinise and comment on proposed developments, commented on both NNDC proposals for the area and national proposals to reduce local control over schemes.

#### # Wind Farms

Influenced the local, regional and national debate on wind farms and their impact on High Kelling.

#### # Improving communication with villagers.

Funded, produced and had delivered monthly the High Kelling Parish Chronicle.

Produced an updated High Kelling Directory.

Updated the Parish Council website and introduced a village wide email system.

Included greater opportunities and time for villagers to question and comment at the Full Council meetings and the opportunity to speak with a Parish Councillor on confidential matters.

#### # A second defibrillator

Negotiations to purchase the redundant telephone kiosk adjacent to the village store have been concluded. It will be refurbished and equipped with a second defibrillator.

#### # Thanks,

To villagers who help keep our village the great place it is to live.  
To members of the former HK Society for looking after the area around the refurbished village sign.

To villagers and Parish Councillors for help with the planting, the village store for their sponsorship.

To The Village Hall Trustees for keeping this valued local asset in tip top condition.

To Cllr Susan Rutherford for compiling and Susan Ruru for designing, the Chronicle. To those that give up their time to deliver it. To Cllr Gordon Lane for compiling the 2021 Directory.

To Ray Morgan for keeping the bus shelters clean.  
For Robin Johnson and Community Speedwatch for their work on the A148.

To Cllr Gordon Lane for his help as Vice Chair and to all my fellow Parish Councillors for their commitment, help and support throughout the year

And

To Jane Wisson our Parish Clerk for her administration, expertise and advice. And congratulations on becoming a fully qualified Parish Clerk!

David Carter  
Chair, High Kelling PC  
May 2022

