

## Minutes of Kettleburgh Parish Council Meeting held at 7pm on Tuesday 26 July 2005

**Present:** Cllrs R Booth, T Butcher, T Chase, P Norman (Chair), D Pike, S Scott  
J Clark (Parish Clerk) in attendance.

**1. Declarations of Interest:** There were Declarations of Interest arising from item 3 by Cllr Booth and Cllr Butcher.

**2. Apologies for absence:** Cllr J Bater

### **3. BT Payphone in The Street**

The communication from BT payphones, outlining future possibilities with regard to the phone kiosk, was considered. It was felt that a change to a cashless box was acceptable, but that removal of the box should be strongly resisted.

### **4. Planning**

#### **Planning Decisions from SCDC:**

##### **C05/0694: (Resubmission) The Street**

Erection of 6 two bedroomed dwellings (two terraces of 3 dwellings), land between Sandpit Cottage & 1 Constable Court. **NO DECISION**

##### **C05/0845/FUL: Easton Green**

Erection of Stable block & 3 bay garage (amended under consent C01/1261, C01/1262) **WITHDRAWN**

#### **Planning Application:**

##### **C05/1303; C05/1304: THE THATCHED COTTAGE, CHURCH ROAD.**

Proposal: Replace collapsed extension on west facing wall of the cottage. Replace both south and north facing ground floor windows. Remove asbestos roofs from coal shed and W.C. and replace with lead. Remove the new brick wall in the west facing wall of the sitting room. Reposition W.C

This application was **approved**, with the following comment on the exterior finish: rendering, rather than timber cladding, would be more in keeping with the existing building.

#### **Public Entertainment Licence:**

Use of The Chequers garden for Open Air Play: 6 August 2005, under the Occasional Theatres Act. This was considered and **approved**. Councillors wish this new venture every success.

### **5. Clerk's Report**

- a) Agenda items for 2005/6 meetings were circulated and 23 May fixed as the date for Annual Meetings in 2006.
- b) The Post Box should be moved by mid August.
- c) Post Office Pilot Scheme: following the closure of the Post Office, a "Home delivery" scheme is to be trialled in Kettleburgh. Customers will be able to request, by email or phone, Post Office services in their own homes. More information will be sent to individual householders.
- d) Trees risk survey in the Pound. The cost for this would be £80 for the initial survey and report, followed by an annual fee of £40 for subsequent reports. It was unanimously agreed that this survey would form a part of our risk assessment and should be carried out.
- e) Village Green Licence agreements have been signed, returned and monies received.
- f) Local police officers are to be trained in the use of a speed gun. The clerk will pass this information to Cllr Sargeantson.
- g) Past Minutes are currently with Wilda Woodland for her perusal. Mrs Woodland also holds village records, passed to her by the previous village historian. She has requested help in sorting through these documents. The clerk will inform councillors when this is to take place.
- h) Finger posts: the missing post at Hoo junction has been replaced; the PO sign at The Street junction has been removed.
- i) A replacement cheque for CiLCA registration was signed.

The chairman gave a report following his attendance at a SCDC Local Development Framework workshop. The four workshops covered: social housing; needs of the community; travel and communications within the village and planning matters. The local plan for Kettleburgh is unlikely to be changed with the planning envelope remaining as at present, with infill housing if perceived necessary. The new planning framework will run for the next 10-15 years. The chairman stressed that the council should be fully involved in any discussions and decision making on the new framework.

**6. Date of next meeting:** Thursday 8 September 2005 at 7:15 pm

**7. The meeting closed** at 20:45