



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 18TH OF APRIL 2023

Meeting opened: 19.05

1. Introduction & Welcome

The Vice Chair informed all present that the meeting was being recorded for minuting purposes only and the recording will be destroyed once the minutes are approved.

Attended in person by Cllrs Fisher (Vice Chair), Dille, Middleton, 5 members of the public, the Clerk and Acting Clerk

Apologies received from Cllrs Gudgeon and Proctor [Approved Reason: Work Commitments], W/Cllr Birdi, Jandu and Keough.

The Vice Chair invited all present to introduce themselves.

2. Chair's Report 2022/23

Keresley Parish Council has had a busy year. We have settled well into having our meetings at the Keresley Library. This venue meets all our needs, and it is good to support the volunteers with their work for the local community.

The membership of the parish council has remained relatively unchanged. We have been working together to continue our work as a conduit between different organisations and the residents of Keresley.

Our main activities this year have been planning applications and ongoing issues with developers. We still have various developers on site in various locations. Residents remain vigilant in continuing to monitor their activities and the impact they have on Keresley. Especially on the wildlife and the environment. We thank all the residents involved for their support and perseverance. We have organised and facilitated meetings with Coventry City Council Highways Department, Planning and developments and the proposed relief road. This dialogue continues and we will update residents when we have more information. Our biggest achievement was the meeting with the main developers involved in the Keresley SUE at the Hare & Hounds in June 2022. This was very well attended, and it gave residents the opportunity to ask direct questions to the developers. Following on from this we helped facilitate a further consultation regarding the proposed Keresley Link Road. Residents had the opportunity to give feedback on the proposed road. This was a very well attended event and residents feedback has been considered in the planning of the road.

The environment and climate change are still foremost in all of our minds. Ensuring that we protect the planet, our environment including local spaces and clean air. KPC are still committed to making a positive contribution to climate change. Cllr Dille continues to work with the Coventry Park Rangers on maintenance of Jubilee wood. This is still an excellent project which continues to engage local groups. Thanks to Cllr Dille for his hard work and commitment to this project.

In addition, the monthly litter continues, headed by Cllr Proctor. There have been many of these in the Parish over the last year, very well attended. Many residents have thanked those who attended for the difference the little picks have made to their areas of the Parish. Thanks to Cllr Proctor for her hard work and commitment.

We continue to communicate with the residents of the Parish. We have produced two newsletters during the last year. We hope to increase this for the forthcoming year. Keresley Parish Council has a new Clerk, Abiola. Abiola began her role in March 2023 and is carrying out her Clerks training. She is

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being supported by Helen, our acting clerk for a short while. Abiola will be an invaluable Clerk, as she has considerable experience working in local government.

Keresley Parish Council continues to go from strength to strength. We have a team of Councillors who are enthusiastic, committed and motivated to make Keresley an even greater place to live, work and experience. We look forward to working with all the residents of Keresley, both existing and new.

3. Public Forum

The questions raised during the public forum were related to ongoing business and have been reported in the minutes from the Ordinary Parish Council meeting that followed the Annual Parish Meeting.

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting 2022

4. **IT WAS RESOLVED** The minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting held on 10 May 2022 were approved and signed [**Proposed: Cllr Fisher / Seconded: Cllr Dille**]

5. Closure of Meeting

The meeting was closed at 19:28

Minutes Approved:

Signature: *T Gudgeon (Chair)*

Date: 09/05/2023