Keinton Mandeville Parish Council

Minutes of The Annual Parish Meeting held on

**Friday 10 May 2024 at 7 pm**

Present: Parish Council:

Mr T Ireland (Chair), Mrs C Calcutt, Mrs D Von Bergen Mr T Ryder, Mr K White, Mr K Sturgess and Mr C Lane. Clerk: Ms K Elston

Members of the public: 20

**Minute 1 Apologies**

**1.1** Mr S Page (Somerset County Councillor).

**Minute 2 Declarations of interest**

**2.1** There were none

**Minute 3 Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting 02.05.2023**

**3.1** These were agreed and signed.

**Minute 4 Finance**

**4.1** Two invoices presented that were time critical and required approving and paying at this meeting.

**Minute 5 Chair’s Report**

**5.1** Mr Ireland gave a summary of parish council actions and news over the last year.

* Thanked councillors and clerk for their support and work over the last year.
* Council welcomed new councillor, Debbie Von Bergen.
* Dean Ruddle, Somerset County Councillor, sadly lost this year and acknowledged the support he had given to Keinton Mandeville Parish Council.
* Previous councillor, Beverley Goodall also lost this year.
* Grants – the council have made a number of grants to organisations in the community.
* Somerset Council who are under budget restraints are likely to require local parish councils to pick up more of the services that they would normally provide. This could have an impact over the longer term of the funding requested by a local parish council which may impact the number and value of grants that are requested.
* Highways – the parish council are currently focussing on the Traffic survey that has been completed and reviewing the recommendations that will be discussed in more detail later in this meeting.
* Continued focus on footpaths and the playpark.
* Neighbourhood Plan is a work in progress and there is a sub group of the parish council that are working through the process. Neil Bain has chaired the group to date and made good progress on the plan but due to work commitments now needs to stand down. If anyone is interested in volunteering for this role please advise the parish council. Volunteers to sit on the group are also welcome. Funding by developers is provided to the community in the form of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and once a plan is in place this rises from 15% to 25%.

**Minute 6 Parish Council presentation of accounts year ending 31 March 2024**

**6.1** Clerk read out a summary of the financial accounts for the financial year 2023-24.

**Minute 7 Traffic Survey Report and Recommendations**

**7.1**

**Minute 8 Reports from Village groups and organisations**

**8.1 Invited groups and any reports submitted are available in the hall tonight for the community to read**

Village Youth Group

Playing Fields committee

Happy Tracks committee

Methodist Church

PCC

Parish Magazine

Keinton and Kingweston Community Transport

Keinton School Governors

Keinton School PSA

Tennis Club

Village Hall

Women’s Institute

Netball Club

Keinton Mandeville Website

Short Mat Bowls

3 Charities (Big Breakfast)

Environment Group

Community Speedwatch

**Minute 9 Public Session**

**9.1**

 Questions from the floor:

**Minute 10 Date of next Annual Parish Meeting**

**10.1** April/May 2025

Signed…………………………………………………………………………………

Date…………………………………………………………………………………..