

MINUTES OF KERSEY PARISH COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25 JANUARY 2016 IN KERSEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM

PRESENT

John Hume – Chair, John Maltby, Veronica Partridge, Giles Hollingworth, Iqbal Alam, and Ian Fidell. 6 members of the public and the Clerk – Sarah Partridge. Jenny Antill and Alan Ferguson attended for part of the meeting.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and gave a particular welcome to three new residents present at the meeting.

1/16 APOLOGIES were received and accepted from Yvonne Martin.

2/16 ACCEPT MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

John Hume declared an interest in agenda item 9 for the planning application B/15/01247, Land west of Holly Tree Cottage, The Green. His land abuts the application site.

3/16 CONSIDER ANY DISPENSATION REQUESTS FOR PECUNIARY INTERESTS RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLORS – None received

4/16 REPORTS -*The meeting was adjourned to receive reports.*

- a) **Police** – No report. The Council is aware that due to changes in policing officers are no longer going to attend Parish Council meetings because this is not an effective use of their time. The Clerk is going to enquire as to whether reports will still be emailed or if the Parish Council will just receive the monthly crime reports for the Hadleigh police station.
- b) **Suffolk County Councillor** – Jenny Antill gave her report and answered questions from the floor. Her report is appended to these minutes.
- c) **Babergh District Councillor** – Alan Ferguson gave his report and answered questions from the floor. His report is appended to these minutes.

Jenny and Alan then gave their apologies and left the meeting. The meeting was reconvened.

5/16 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2015 were signed and dated as being correct.

6/16 CLERK'S REPORT

The Bildeston road bench was damaged by a tractor when hedge cutting in January. The contractor had informed the landowner but this information had not been passed to the Parish Council. The contractor has taken away the damaged sections, is making repairs and will reinstate the bench once repairs have been made. Highways have fitted a cast iron drain across the pavement outside 2 Church Hill Cottages which should resolve the wet slippery pavement problem. The Clerk has spoken to Rights of Way regarding footpath 13 which runs between The Haven and The Old Vicarage which has become very muddy and slippery. Residents and the school children use this path regularly; the school is concerned about the children's safety when using the path. Rights of Way will inspect the path and see what can be done. Linda Bowman, Headteacher at the primary school, has been in contact to let the Parish Council know that they are hoping to build a new school hall which is desperately needed to improve the school accommodation for this outstanding and popular school. It is their intention to have some plans drawn up, seek planning permission and then secure funding. This will take a couple of years.

7/16 CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence for the Parish Council had been circulated to Councillors. Items of note were:

- a) The Care Quality Commission invite residents to share experiences of care at West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust at an event on 3 March or anonymously on-line at any time: www.cqc.org.uk/sye-enquiries@cqc.org.uk
- b) Babergh has a new Locality Officer for our area who would like to learn more about the facilities and assets that the parish have with a particular focus on public open space, village/community halls and community facilities. The Clerk will respond to this consultation.

8/16 FINANCE

A copy of the accounts to date and a financial statement, showing bank balances and expenditure for approval were tabled by the Clerk; these are appended to the minutes. Payments were all approved. A Councillor raised a query about bank reconciliations and financial management techniques. There followed a long discussion. The Councillor did not know the procedures in place to monitor Council finances. Once these were explained he was happy with the procedures. Giles Hollingworth, the nominated Councillor who monitors Council finances, confirmed that he had checked and verified bank reconciliations up to the end of December 2015.

The Clerk confirmed that the Council's Transparency Fund application was successful and the Council has received £1091.01. This covers the purchase of the laptop, a contribution towards the cost of an internet connection, some Clerk's training and additional hours worked by the Clerk. This has helped ensure the Parish Council is and will continue to be compliant with the new Transparency Code.

The Clerk explained the external audit arrangements from 1 April 2017. The Audit Commission has now ceased to exist and with effect from 1 April 2017 smaller parish councils with a turnover of less than £25,000, such as Kersey, will not be subject to external audit. They will have to comply with the Transparency Code and will be required to complete and publish (on-line) an Annual Return. The Parish Council will still have to appoint an auditor in case there are questions from electors to be resolved. The Parish Council can choose to have an auditor appointed to them by a new 'sector-led body' (SLB) or they can decide to procure their own. If the Parish Council chooses to 'opt in' to the new arrangements then the SLB will procure, deliver and manage audit contracts. Exact fees are unclear at this stage but are likely to be circa. £100. Should the Parish Council decide to 'opt out', the Parish Council must make its own arrangements with auditors. To do this the Parish Council would, amongst other things, need to establish an Auditor Panel, following the statutory appointment process set out in regulations, appoint an auditor by 31 December 2016 and provide the SLB with the contact details of the auditor. The Clerk advised that this would be costly and the best option for the Parish Council was to 'opt in' to the SLB arrangements. One Councillor said the Parish Council should be externally audited even if it is not a legal requirement. There then followed a long discussion about arrangements, concern about the cost of 'opting out' and the financial monitoring processes in place already. It was agreed that the Parish Council finances are well monitored at present including an internal audit carried out by our internal auditor who is independent of the Parish Council. The Parish Council is complying with the new Transparency Code so financial information is published on-line for anyone to view. Councillors voted to 'opt in' to the new SLB.

9/16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Following the meeting on 16 November the Parish Council had again written to the Planning Enforcement Officer at Babergh expressing concern that there are insufficient resources at Babergh to ensure conditions of planning permission are complied with. The Parish Council also asked how they could work more closely with Babergh to ensure our rich heritage is preserved while providing modern living standards for our parishioners. The response from the Enforcement Officer appreciated our concerns but restated the financial constraints the district council is under. He did confirm that close attention was paid to conditions of planning at Little Manor and officers at Babergh endeavour, to the best of their professional abilities, to secure acceptable design using appropriate materials. Babergh is keen to ensure the heritage assets for which it is responsible are maintained to the highest level, for the benefit of the wider community and future generations. He also stated that planning and heritage teams at Babergh are keen to encourage dialogue with

communities and their representatives in respect of development proposals within villages like Kersey. The owners of Little Manor had written to the Parish Council. They had seen previous mention in Parish Council minutes of the queries the Parish Council had raised about the brick and tile colours used during the restoration of their property. They were disappointed the Parish Council had not contacted them directly. They stated that it was Babergh who had insisted on the new bricks and tiles 'so that people can read the progress and changes in the house'. A Councillor had also met the owners and discussed the situation. The Parish Council again expressed thanks for the restoration work on Little Manor.

B/15/01196 Land to the rear of 1-6 The Street for the erection of 6 two storey dwellings. This application will be decided by the Planning Committee at Babergh. A site visit was held on 6 January 2016 which John Hume attended as the Parish Council representative. Babergh is now awaiting further information before the application will be put before the committee. The Parish Council will be kept informed of the date for this meeting.

B/15/01641 The Copper Kettle, Kersey Mill – Change of use of the premises from D1 (Non-residential institutions) to Class A3 (Restaurants and Cafes) There were no comments from the floor. Councillors discussed the application, noting that the Copper Kettle had been operating under a temporary change of use for some time. The Council agreed to fully support the change of use. *John Hume declared an interest in the application for Land west of Holly Tree Cottage because his land abuts the application site. He left the meeting room.*

B/15/01247 Land west of Holly Tree Cottage, The Green - Erection of new single-storey building to provide stables and tack room/feed store; re-siting of existing animal shelter to provide hay store; and associated ground works and hard standing. Some of the Councillors had carried out a site visit. *The meeting was adjourned to hear from members of the public.* One member of the public asked about access to the site and commented that the green lane leading to the site was a public footpath and not a bridleway. Another commented that the size of the tack room was disproportionately large compared to the size of stabling. There were no other comments. *The meeting was reconvened.* Councillors looked at the plans and documentation relating to this application and discussed the proposal. At the site visit the Councillors had asked the applicant to mark out on the ground the size of the proposed building. Councillors were concerned by the large size of the proposed building. Councillors considered that for the area of the land available the proposed building is unnecessarily large for the number of horses which could be kept on the land. They were also concerned about the detrimental visual impact the proposal would have on this area. Councillors felt that the existing animal shelter was adequate for the area of land and appropriate in this location. It was therefore agreed not to support the application.

John Hume re-joined the meeting

2 members of the public left the meeting.

B/15/01465 Kersey Mill, Hadleigh Road – Erection of two-storey detached building to provide 5 commercial units and storage over within roof space. This is an amendment to an earlier application the Parish Council had fully supported. The amendment is to remove the proposal for 3 overnight accommodation units and to re-site the proposed building approx. 4 metres further to the north-west. Councillors considered these amendments. Apparently the change was due to the possible flood risk. Councillors were disappointed with the removal of the proposed overnight accommodation because they felt this would have supported the wedding venue business on the Kersey Mill site. However, the Council agreed to fully support the amendments to the application.

B/16/00043 Kersey Mill – application for listed building consent – internal alterations – trimming out of an opening between existing joists supporting second floor to provide opening; and construction of a second flight of stairs between first and second floor levels. This application had recently been received and information circulated to all Councillors. Although this application was not advertised on the agenda Councillors agreed they should consider and comment on this application as it would be too late to discuss at the next scheduled meeting. Councillors discussed the fact that the application was of a technical nature and the Parish Council had supported previous internal alteration works at Kersey Mill. The application documentation states that whilst carrying out previously approved work at the mill it has become clear that the existing set of steps has limitations

for safe access. The proposed new stairs will be similar in character to those existing but will ensure safe passage without obstructing machinery and damage to historic fabric. The Parish Council has been impressed with the previous work already carried out by applicant at Kersey Mill. The restoration work is being carried out by the owners in a very sympathetic manner, retaining as much of the original historic structure as possible. For these reasons the Parish Council agreed to fully support this application.

10/16 KCPC WORKING GROUP – no report

11/16 FOOTPATH WORKING GROUP

John Maltby reported, that so far as he knew, all paths were in good order for the time of year. It was discussed that one or two stiles are beginning to get a bit wobbly, the footpath working group will investigate. The Clerk will find out who is responsible for maintaining the stiles.

12/16 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE POSSIBILITY OF REMOVING ONE OF THE TELEGRAPH POLES NEAR THE SPLASH

John Hume is continuing to have email exchanges with BT and Openreach and is hopeful of a positive outcome.

13/16 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF INSTALLING A DEFIBRILLATOR IN KERSEY

Iqbal Alam had not looked into this project. The Clerk had received some information from a resident about the Community Heartbeat Trust and how they can support communities to install a community public access defibrillator. It is not as simple as just buying a defibrillator. Iqbal will follow this up and report to the next meeting.

14/16 TO DISCUSS ROAD SAFETY IN THE VILLAGE, INCLUDING PARKING, SPEED LIMITS AND PEDESTRIAN ROUTES

Some Councillors and the Clerk had met with Jenny Antill and a Highways Officer to discuss road safety in Kersey. It was a useful meeting where the officer outlined the various options for providing a safe pedestrian route around the corner from Vale Lane to Church Walk. The favoured option by those at the meeting was the possibility of a permissive path around the edge of the field. The Clerk has spoken to Clive Arthey, the field landowner about this idea; he is going to discuss this with family members and will let the Parish Council know in due course. The working group will meet to discuss this and move the project forward. Councillors Giles Hollingworth, John Maltby and Yvonne Martin along with Natalie Blyth and Andrew Hazell will make up the working group. The Highways Officer had also outlined the various options for having a 20 mph speed limit. Both options would involve more road signs and engineering works such as speed humps which Councillors do not favour. The Councillors felt that the main areas where they are concerned about speeding traffic are on the bend down Cherry Hill, the area near The Splash and the entrance to the village on the approach to the corner near the village pump. The Highways Officer has offered to carry out some speed and traffic monitoring in Kersey to provide actual data to analyse and help the Parish Council decide on the best options. Following the decision at the November meeting not to change the footpath down the hill beside the church wall into a stepped path, the landowner would like the Parish Council to consider whether there should be a barrier or gate at the bottom of this path where it meets the road by the village sign. Councillors discussed this and agreed there should be some sort of barrier, such as an offset fence or a pedestrian gate and fence. The Clerk will discuss this again with the landowner. Highways hope to be able to cut back shrubby self-seeded growth to improve visibility on the A1141 crossroads, but may not get time before 1 February when work has to be completed for environmental reasons.

According to Standing Order 1z Parish Council meetings should not exceed 2 hours. Councillors agreed that it was important to discuss the remaining items on the agenda at this meeting and so agreed to continue.

15/16 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE BENEFITS, COSTS AND WORK INVOLVED TO CREATE A NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN FOR KERSEY

There had been no progress with this item. John Hume and Iqbal Alam will report back to the next meeting.

16/16 TO CONSIDER JOINING THE SUFFOLK PRESERVATION SOCIETY

The Chair had received an email from the Suffolk Preservation Society asking the Parish Council to consider re-joining the Society. Membership is £30/year. At the November meeting the Council had agreed not to join the Society (minute reference 150/15). Councillors discussed this briefly but agreed that the Parish Council should not re-join. However, individual Councillors could join in their own right should they wish. The Chair will reply to the Society.

17/16 SET DATE FOR SPRING LITTER COLLECTION DURING MARCH

It was agreed to hold the Kersey Spring litter collection on Saturday 12 March, meeting at the Vale Lane triangle at 10am. John Maltby agreed to co-ordinate volunteers. Anyone wishing to collect litter on a different day or time can contact John to agree which area they will clear. The Clerk will contact the school who usually clear some areas of the parish near the school. This date will be advertised in the newsletter.

18/16 TO FINALISE BUDGET, CONFIRM PRECEPT AMOUNT FOR 2016/2017 AND SIGN FORMS

The Government has announced that for 2016/17, no parish council will be affected by precept referendum. However, the Government retains the right to make an annual decision on a) whether to apply referendums, b) which councils to apply the referendums to and c) the circumstances in which referendums which will be applied e.g. the increase in precept that would be considered ‘excessive’ and which would trigger an automatic referendum.

Babergh has written to the Parish Council to confirm the tax base and council tax support grant for Kersey for the coming financial year. The council tax support grant for 2016/17 will be £43.08, as expected. This is the final grant payment. The Kersey tax base in 2015/16 was 180.31. For 2016/17 the tax base will be 181.25, a 0.5% increase. The average Babergh District increase is 1.2%.

Councillors reviewed the provisional budget agreed at the meeting in November (Minute ref 150/15). There were no changes so it was agreed that this would be the budget and the Parish Council would ask for a precept of £6786 for the 2016/17 financial year, making a precept amount of £37.44 for a band D property which is an increase of 0.75%. The precept forms were completed and signed.

Budget for 2016/17:

Admin	£734.00
Clerks Salary	£3,920.00
Training/External Meetings	£250.00
Street Lighting	£210.00
CAS Suffolk Insurance	£480.00
Glebe Insurance	£50.00
Hedge Cut - The Glebe	£83.00
Playground Safety Inspection	£85.00
Dog Litter Bin emptying charge	£44.00
St Mary's Church	£400.00
Chairman's Allowance	£0.00
Election costs	£25.00
Church Walk future maintenance	£130.00
Footpath Map printing reserve	£75.00
Contingencies	£300.00
Tax base fluctuation allowance	£0.00
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19/16 TRAINING

Information about training courses is regularly circulated to all Councillors.

LCPAS delivered a very informative whole council planning training session in November attended by The Clerk and five Councillors.

20/16 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS

John Maltby gave his report from the SALC/Babergh Area meeting on 30 November. The report is appended.

21/16 FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

27 January 7.30pm Babergh East Police & Safer Parish forum at Shotley Village Hall. With the changes in policing and officers no longer attending Parish Council meetings there is an opportunity for Councils to meet with police to discuss local issues at these Babergh East Police and Safer Parish forums. It was agreed that unless the Parish Council has a particular issue then a Kersey Parish Council representative will not attend these meetings but minutes will be circulated to Councillors for information.

29 February SALC/Babergh Area meeting, John Maltby will attend.

22/16 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Iqbal Alam apologised for the time taken to discuss the Parish Council finances and external audit arrangements earlier in the meeting. He said he was not criticising individuals but felt that external audit was very important to ensure transparency and to resolve disputes.

The meeting was adjourned for 'Parish Time'

It was commented by a parishioner that the last Parish Council meeting was well attended with over 60 people. The meeting finished quite early but where did they all go after the meeting? Only a very few went to The Bell to support the only pub left in the village, which he felt was disappointing. It was suggested that perhaps the District and County Councillor reports should be received at the end of the meeting. At this meeting their reports received near the start of the meeting were quite long and then the Parish Council was left to discuss important matters quite late in the evening. The Clerk commented that Standing Orders state that reports should be a maximum of 10 minutes. Our District and County Councillor will be reminded of this.

The meeting was reconvened.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.04 pm.

Appended to these minutes are 8 sheets:

- SCC report from Jenny Antill (2 sheets)
- Babergh report from Alan Ferguson (2 sheets)
- Kersey Parish Council receipts and payments to date (2 sheets)
- Kersey Parish Council finance sheet for 25 January 2016
- Report from the SALC/Babergh Area meeting

Report to Kersey Parish Council 25th January 2016

Consultation on the future of the Fire Service in Suffolk.

Public meetings are being held in connection with this consultation which closes on 22nd February. The nearest to Kersey is

- 03 Feb 2016 – Sudbury – Town Hall, 6.30pm-8.30pm

I understand that the Chief Fire Officer and the Cabinet Member will be attending.

Redesign of Specialist Education Provision in Suffolk

The Cabinet in December agreed that a consultation should go ahead to look at redesigning the council's provision for children and young people with special educational needs. At present specialist primary units, which are usually attached to a mainstream school, are unevenly distributed across the county and a significant number of children affected have to be taken to establishments outside the county. This is not just inconvenient for families and difficult for the children involved, but it is also very expensive. No cost savings will be involved since the budget is a ring-fenced sum from Central Government but it is hoped to make the available resources go further. An information collecting process is currently underway with a full consultation being launched in the spring.

I am in contact with some parents in the Division who are affected and am happy to hear from any others who would like to get in touch.

Budget 2016/17

The Budget numbers have now been reviewed in the light of the December draft settlement from Government. This was rather worse than we had forecast and we estimate that the net impact of the new figures will make us worse off by a further £8m which means that we now have to save some £80m over the next two years. We have however received a windfall of some £6m in the current year as a result of a better council tax collection ratio than anticipated. This means that although some funding for the current year will have to be met from reserves the amount will be less than expected. It is anticipated that we will be imposing the Government's Social Care Precept of 2% (which is ring-fenced for Adult Social Care) but that general council tax will be unchanged from last year. Issues related to the budget are very complicated, but I am happy to discuss these further with anyone who would like to know more.

Residents invited to have their say on council services

Residents of Suffolk are being invited to have their say on council services by taking part in Suffolk County Council's 2016 residents' survey.

More than 11,000 surveys will be posted out to households across the county this week to help the council make services better and more effective.

The county council has commissioned BMG Research, an independent company to undertake the survey and establish county-wide views and satisfaction rates on a wide range of issues and services, including employment, transport and social care.

The Residents' Survey will be used to measure what people think of the area in which they live, what they think about Suffolk County Council services, and the way the County Council works.

High Speed Broadband

Details of the coverage planned up until September 2016 have now been released on the Better Broadband for Suffolk website at: www.betterbroadbandsuffolk.com.

At present there is little or no coverage in Kersey and according to the map no plans for work ahead of September 2016. SCC had hoped to be able to give further information with regard to the roll out beyond this date but have been unable to due to complex issues with regard to EU Procurement rules which is a nationwide issue.

In December, the council announced the public launch of a basic broadband service to fulfil the Government's commitment that everyone should have the option of access to a broadband service of at least 2Mbps by the end of 2015. The scheme, which provides broadband by satellite, has been trialed in Suffolk over the last few months ahead of the public launch. It is intended as an interim solution for businesses and homes that currently get less than 2Mbps, and which are not included in the planned coverage in the next 12 months. Information is available on the website.

Kersey

I visited the village with Steve Merry, Babergh Area Highways Engineer, last week. Please let me know if you need help in pursuing matters further with him.

Jenny Antill

January 2016

REPORT FOR KERSEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY 25th JANUARY 2016

ALAN FERGUSON (DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR SOUTH COSFORD)

Introduction

On a personal note, I have decided not to take on the Finance Portfolio for Babergh. Instead I will become Portfolio Holder for Housing – that’s public sector housing – in April/May 16.

The Interesting Updates

1. Devolution:

As expected, Devolution of power from London to Norfolk and Suffolk remains the Number 1 issue for the Council. The signs are promising but we are still in the early day territory. An additional complication now is that we have now decided to invite Cambridge to become involved in our Devolution proposals. Where and when will it end? If we are successful, then the real work will start. However, currently there are far more questions than answers.

I see it as an opportunity to be explored.

2. Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

After years of deliberation and consultation, Babergh DC agreed the implementation of CIL with effect from 11 Apr 16. After that date, all building projects (with the exception of the Babergh Strategic sites) will be subject to CIL charges. The CIL is intended to ensure that the owners and developers of land make a contribution towards the delivery of the infrastructure required as the CIL rates are considered to be up-front costs to be deducted from the value of the land and not added to the price of the house at the end. The return to parishes will be either 15% (No Neighbourhood Plan) or 25% where a Neighbourhood Plan is in place

3. Council House Building

Babergh has made good progress recently in its determination to provide additional Council Houses. 12 x 1 bedroom flats are to be built in Lavenham (just started) and 15 houses (2 & 3 bedroomed) will be built in Glemsford later this year. Clearly there is much more to be done.

We also cannot ignore the question about Right to Buy When properties are sold, we retain the revenue but only 33% can be used for rebuilding each house. The other 66% has to go towards building another 2 houses and we must top up the difference and build within 3 years or the 66% goes to the Govt!

4. Decision Concerning Locations of Babergh & Mid Suffolk

The decision to rationalise the current two locations for Babergh & Mid Suffolk will not be taken before the middle of the year. Relocation of Babergh likely but the debate about straight to an Ipswich “Hub” or to plan an interim move to Needham Market and then to Ipswich still very much open to discussion. Irrespective of any relocation decision, Ward members are assured that when the “Hub and Spoke” model that has been described previously becomes adopted there will be no reduction of support to Ward members.

5. Planning Applications

I need hardly remind you that planning continues to be a very contentious issue. I only ask you to remain open minded about future developments and to be assured that I will support you to ensure that if houses are to be built, they should be in the right location, of the right type and proportional

to the size of the village taking into account other recent developments. The not before date that I have for the 6 cottages in Kersey is 24th Feb 16 which I understand has been communicated to the Parish Council. I am on holiday in Cyprus on Wednesday 23rd March 16, and I have asked that this date be excluded from the potential dates to consider B/15/01557/FUL.

6. Council Tax 2015-16

I can't always bring good news and the sting in the tail today is that Babergh Councillors have decided that to meet a potential budget deficit with cut backs in Central Govt funding a rise in Council tax next year is unavoidable. The increase will be at least 1.95% which is the maximum that can be set without a referendum in most counties but possibly more as Babergh is in a Shire county where £5.00 (on a Band D property) is allowed. This will be in addition to a likely 2% increase in the County element for social care plus additional police/fire costs tbc. We probably need to get used to annual increases again because the funds made from Central government by the way of Direct Grants is being reduced significantly. The Council wants to retain services and they have to be paid for somehow.

Another example of the pressure that the Council now faces is a mandated (by Govt) reduction in Council House rents by 1% per annum for the next 4 years. We had assumed a 2% increase year on year, so the business plan for local housing has been seriously affected.

Much going on. Please watch this space!

Alan Ferguson

KERSEY PARISH COUNCIL
1 April 2015 - 31 March 2016

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RECEIPTS

Date	Credit ref	Detail	Precept	KCPC	Footpath	Jubilee Steps	Other Receipts	VAT	Total Receipts	Sub total
1-Apr-15		Balance brought forward		£ 4,025.71	£ 1,250.43	£ 771.56	£ 7,594.09		£ 13,641.79	
13-Apr-15	Direct C	Babergh 50% Precept	£ 3,350.00						£ 3,350.00	
13-Apr-15	Direct C	Babergh Council Tax Grant					£ 86.17		£ 86.17	£ 17,077.96
8-Jun-15	bank	Interest 2 Mar-7 Jun					£ 1.94		£ 1.94	£ 17,079.90
7-Sep-15	bank	Interest 8 Jun-6 Sep					£ 1.90		£ 1.90	
14-Sep-15	Direct C	Babergh 50% Precept	£ 3,350.00						£ 3,350.00	
16-Sep-15	Direct C	SCC- Footpath mowing Inv 10			£ 207.70				£ 207.70	£ 20,639.50
16-Nov-15	100090	KCPC Quiz money		£ 1,160.50					£ 1,160.50	
25-Nov-15	Direct C	HMRC VAT repayment						£ 1,003.61	£ 1,003.61	£ 22,803.61
7-Dec-15	Bank	Interest 7 Sept-6 Dec					£ 2.07		£ 2.07	
21-Dec-15	Direct C	SALC - Transparency Fund grant					£ 1,091.01		£ 1,091.01	£ 23,896.69
			£ 6,700.00	£ 5,186.21	£ 1,458.13	£ 771.56	£ 8,777.18	£ 1,003.61	£ 23,896.69	

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PAYMENTS

Date	Cheque No	Detail	General Admin	Clerks Salary	Training/ external meetings	Street Lighting	KCPC	Footpath	Jubilee Steps	S137	Other Payments	VAT	Total Payments	Sub total
11-May-15	101050	c SALC - Annual Subscription	£ 162.00										£ 162.00	
11-May-15	101051	c Community Action Suffolk subs	£ 30.00										£ 30.00	£ 192.00
13-Jul-15	101052	c Babergh DC - election costs									£ 87.50		£ 87.50	
13-Jul-15	101053	c SALC- Clerk networking/training			£ 15.00							£ 3.00	£ 18.00	
13-Jul-15	101054	c BDO - Audit Fee	£ 100.00									£ 20.00	£ 120.00	
13-Jul-15	101055	c S Partridge - Clerk's salary		£ 961.87									£ 961.87	
13-Jul-15	101056	c S Partridge - home working exp	£ 39.00										£ 39.00	
13-Jul-15	101057	c S Partridge - Clerk's exp			£ 18.44								£ 18.44	
13-Jul-15	101058	c Kersey Playing Field Assoc									£ 37.77		£ 37.77	£ 1,474.58
10-Aug-15	101059	c LCPAS - Training			£ 110.00								£ 110.00	£ 1,584.58
14-Sep-15	101060	c S Partridge - Clerk's salary		£ 960.73									£ 960.73	
14-Sep-15	101061	c S Partridge - home working exp	£ 39.00										£ 39.00	
14-Sep-15	101062	c S Partridge - Clerk's exp	£ 10.65		£ 1.70							£ 2.13	£ 14.48	
14-Sep-15	101063	c Pertwee Estates - KCPC exp					£ 21.50					£ 4.30	£ 25.80	
14-Sep-15	101064	c Kersey Village Hall - hire	£ 30.00		£ 5.00								£ 35.00	
14-Sep-15	101065	c SCC - Footpath map reprint									£ 136.50		£ 136.50	£ 2,796.09
30-Sep-15	101066	c Business Services at CAS Ltd									£ 465.24		£ 465.24	
2-Oct-15	101067	c MR Sargeant - Glebe hedgecut									£ 75.00	£ 15.00	£ 90.00	
2-Oct-15	101068	c M Pertwee - KCPC Expenses					£ 4.17					£ 0.83	£ 5.00	
6-Oct-15	101069	c Playsafety Ltd - RoSPA									£ 80.00	£ 16.00	£ 96.00	£ 3,452.33
16-Nov-15	101070	c St Mary's PCC									£ 400.00		£ 400.00	
16-Nov-15	101071	c SALC - Training Clerk			£ 75.00							£ 15.00	£ 90.00	
16-Nov-15	101072	c S Partridge - laptop computer									£ 429.18	£ 85.80	£ 514.98	
16-Nov-15	101073	c S Partridge - Clerk's exp	£ 30.46		£ 10.35							£ 6.09	£ 46.90	
16-Nov-15	101074	c Kersey Village Hall - KCPC quiz					£ 40.00						£ 40.00	
20-Nov-15	101075	c Grays Takeaway - KCPC quiz					£ 545.00						£ 545.00	
23-Nov-15	101076	c LCPAS - Training			£ 110.00								£ 110.00	£ 5,199.21
													£ -	
			£ 441.11	£ 1,922.60	£ 345.49	£ -	£ 610.67	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 1,711.19	£ 168.15	£ 5,199.21	

**KERSEY PARISH COUNCIL
FINANCE**

Details for Parish Council Meeting, 25 January 2016

Bank Balances At 31 December 2015

Business Saver Account	£16,504.19
Current Account	<u>£2,193.29</u>
	£18,697.48

Payments made since the last meeting

	<u>Chq no.</u>		
20-Nov-15	101075	Grays Takeaway - KCPC quiz food	£545.00
23-Nov-15	101076	LCPAS - Planing training	<u>£110.00</u>
			£655.00

Payments Due

	<u>Chq no.</u>		
	101077	SCC - Strteet lighting	£203.93
	101078	S Partridge - Clerk's Salary	£960.73
	101079	S Partridge - Clerk's Working from home expenses	£48.00
	101080	S Partridge - Clerk's Expenses	<u>£19.17</u>
			£1,231.83

Expenditure Agreed

Prepared by the Clerk for Kersey Parish Council

SALC (Babergh) Meeting 30 Nov, 2015

Geoff Dobson, Head of Strategic Finance - SCC.

Main Points:-

- £430 m. expenditure planned (i.e. budgeted)
 - £73m saving planned vs. 2014
 - £170m saved over the last five years.
 - No council tax increase for next two years
 - Local government grants reduced by 40%, and the distribution formula to be reassessed.
 - Council tax is 54% of SCC income, at £270m.
 - Adult care 2015-16 budgeted at £150m, with early help at £50m.
 - £37m minor savings made, including earnings from disposal of Norfolk C.C. waste.
- The previous minutes were approved, and no major issues arose from those attending.

JKMR.
30/11/15.