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Minutes of Kemerton Parish Council Meeting held on on Monday 7th September 2026 at 7.00pm at the Victoria Hall

Those Present: Cllr Christina Kulukundis (Chairman)
Cllr Emma Edwards (Vice Chairman)
Cllr Clive Carver
Cllr David Bulley

Parish Clerk Carol Chambers

Parishioners Clare Stephenson
Andrew Millington (Chairman of Village Hall Committee)

1. Appointment/ Election of Chairman.

It was proposed by Cllr Carver, seconded by Cllr Edwards and **APPROVED** that Cllr Kulukundis be elected as Chairman of Kemerton Parish Council for 2026-2027.

1a. Appointment/Election of Vice Chairman

It was moved, seconded and **APPROVED** that Cllr Emma Edwards be elected as Vice Chairman for Kemerton Parish Council for 2026/2027.

2. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr Adrian Darby OBE, Cllr Lisa Croft, Cllr Oliver Alexander.

3. Declaration of Interests

None

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

It was moved, seconded and **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2026 be adopted as a true record

5. Financial Report - *Original papers were available at the meeting*

a) Receipts and Payments July 2026

Receipts July 2026

Date	Type	Description	Amount
23/07/2026	BGC	WCC COUNTY - Lengthsman Fees	208.00
15/07/2026	BGC	WCC COUNTY FUND AC Grass Cutting Contribution	1,813.58

Payments July 2026 (to note the following payments approved between meetings).

Date	Type	Description	Amount
24/07/2026	SO	DAVID GRAY	243.00
24/07/2026	SO	MRS CAROL CHAMBER	346.16
23/07/2026	FPO	SC JOHNSON Phone Box Re-Painting	600.00
23/07/2026	FPO	CLlr kulukundis REFUND PAINT for Phone Box	118.91
20/07/2026	PAY	SERVICE CHARGES	4.25
14/07/2026	DD	INFORMATION COMMISSION (ICO)	47.00
13/07/2026	FPO	WYCHAVON DISTRICT Dog Bins	120.14
13/07/2026	FPO	WYCHAVON DISTRICT Dog Bins	120.14

Receipts and Payment August 2026

Date	Type	Description	Amount
18/08/2026	BGC	WCC COUNTY - Lengthsman Fees	208.00

Payments August 2026 (to note the following payments approved between meetings).

Date	Type	Description	Amount
24/08/2026	SO	DAVID GRAY	243.00
24/08/2026	SO	MRS CAROL CHAMBER	346.16
20/08/2026	FPO	SC JOHNSON Repaint Phone Box	716.87
18/08/2026	PAY	SERVICE CHARGES REF :	4.25
06/08/2026	DD	PUBLIC WORKS LOANS	440.95

The Clerk tabled her expenses from 20th April to 7th September 2026 it was approved and signed by the Chairman.

c) Budget Review as at 31st August June 2026

	Budget	Actual to Date
Receipts	16,301.00	10,773.68
Payments	16,301.00	10,516.82

6. Clerks Update

Village Hall Defibrillator - The Clerk had written to Tom Ryder-Smith, Chairman of the Village Hall Committee in response to his letter which he had requested help with the maintenance of the defibrillator. Following the meeting held on 6th July 2026, the Clerk advised him that the Council had agreed to grant £210.00 per year which would, in part, cover the cost of maintaining the defibrillator.

Mr Ryder-Smith thanked the Council for their support; however, the Village Hall committee would review the defibrillator, and would look to have it removed soon. Following discussion, it was agreed that the defibrillator was an asset to the community. The Clerk to contact the Councils insurance to clarify the liability of operating the defibrillator.

Phone Box Repainting - The Phone box had been re-painted and the invoice had been paid.

Grass Cutting & Maintenance Contract -The Agreement of Terms and Conditions for 2026/2027 had been signed.

Fallen Trees in Castle Hill Road - The Clerk reported that the Lengthsman was able to clear some of the debris which had fallen in Castle Hill Road.

Dog Waste Bins - The Clerk had a site meeting on 25th August 2026 with Phillip Childs - Street Scene Officer, Wychavon District Council at the top of Castle Hill Road to discuss the siting of a new Dog waste bin.

It was agreed that the new bin be at the turning point at the top of Castle Hill Road. The cost for a new bin is £350.00, Fitting - £23.04, Emptying - £83.43 (per year) plus 20% admin fee.

Following discussion, it was agreed to place the new bin on the existing public foot path sign, at the turning point at the top of Castle Hill Road. Phillip agreed that his team would remove and place the bin on the new sign post when it is fitted. Councillors confirmed that the missing dog bin had been replaced.

Footpath Signage Quotes - Following the meeting held on 6th July the Clerk received a list of possible suppliers for the replacement of the existing signage, 4 quotes were presented to the Council. Following discussion, Clerk would follow up on the Councils queries, she added that Worcestershire County Council do not have a list of preferred suppliers. The Clerk also reported and uploaded photos of the signage that needed to be replaced on the WCC online portal. She reported that most of the Signs have been listed as number 6 low-priority number (1 is high, 6 is low) with 2 Signs were listed as priority number 4.

7. High Street Parking

The Chairman welcomed Ms Stephenson to the meeting who addressed the Council, she presented photos of damage to her property due to parked cars on the road which is located at the entrance to the village from Bredon where the road narrows. She explained that the footpath outside her door is narrow. Therefore, vehicles come regularly close to her property when travelling through the village and had damaged the roof of her property. She also added that a combine harvester had hit her property wall, whilst trying to manoeuvre around the row of parked cars. She asked the Council to review the safety of that part of road. Following Ms Stephenson report the Clerk read out further complaints from other parishioners which highlighted the need for traffic calming measures, such as reduced speed signs and/or road humps. In response to several parishioners' complaints the Clerk had reported their concerns to the Road Safety Team at West Mercia. She also added that Kemerton Parish Council had commissioned a Road Safety report in 2014, in conjunction with traffic management consultants Hamilton-Bailli, a parishioner's survey was also conducted and would be presented to the relevant highway safety teams.

8. AOB

The Chairman welcomed Andrew Millington to the meeting. Mr Millington addressed the Council to express his interest in becoming a Council member, he added that as the new Chairman of the Village Hall Committee it would be a bridge to the main community facility in the village.

Future meetings

2nd November 2026 – Council Meeting

11th January 2027 - Council Meeting

1st March 2027 - Council Meeting