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Kingsmere Residents' Association

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Date:	Thursday 14 th June 2018 19:00
Venue:	St Edburg's Primary School, Kingsmere

Guests:-	
Superintendent Mark Johns;	Local area commander for Cherwell and West Oxfordshire LPA
Chief Inspector Emma Garside;	Deputy Local area commander for Cherwell and West Oxfordshire LPA
Inspector Wendy Percival	Thames Valley Neighbourhood Inspector Cherwell and West Oxfordshire LPA
Peter Gammond	Traveller Site Officer, Gypsy & Traveller services, Oxfordshire County Council
Steve Price	Countryside - Regional Director
Richard Emery	Countryside – Kingsmere Site Manager
Vicky, Nicky, Ellie & Mark	Directors, Kingsmere Community Centre (KCC)
Jacqui Cox	Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department

Attendees:-	
Graham Brogden (GB) Co-Chair, Viki Heil (VH) Co-Chair, Bryan Taunton (BT) Secretary, James Hiscott (JH) Treasurer, Joe McKenna (JM) Community Centre Ambassador, Teresa Lamb (TL) School & Youth Ambassador, John Bentley (JB) Community Development Ambassador, Margaret Krunzer (MK) Head Teacher St Edburg's, Cllr Dan Sames (Cllr DS), Nick Cotter (NC), Ryan Onody (RO), Claire Onody (CO), Laura Butterworth (LB), Sean Butterworth (SB), Mike Cornes (MC), Gill Cornes (GC), Jacintha Climo (JC), Stephen Climo (SC), Diane Mbangwa (DM), Margaret Greenhill (MG), Ben Norton (BN), Kwame Amo (KA), Josh Hudson (JH), Nic Gallear (NG) Ian Gallear (IG), Laura Lewis (LL), Ania Sokojowska (AS), Chris Escott (CE), Steve Escott (SE), Przemier Rybua (PR), Ian Whiteside (IW), Ayad Ahmed (AA), Simon Ible (SI), Ken Armstong (KA), James Simpson-steen (JSS), Elena Gordon (EG), Joanna Motraghi (JM), Geoff Carter (GC), Mick Irving (MI), Ashley Hayden (AH)	

Apologies: Richard & Mary Herbert, Dave & Ann Howard, Lucida Wing, David Anderson, Carla Wilson (KCC)	
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Item #	Actions	By Whom	By When
	The meeting was opened by GB who handed over to JB who asked for 72 seconds of silence in remembrance of the 72 victims of the Grenfell Towers Fire, a year on.		✓
	GB Explained a slight amendment to the agenda order	GB	✓
1	TVP – Unauthorised Encampments MJ – Explained there has been lots of unauthorised encampments all over Oxfordshire. Nomadic life style is not illegal. There is no legal right to trespass, but trespass is a	Info	✓



	<p>civil offence. It is the responsibility of the land owner. The land owner must ask the trespassers to leave. There are various possession orders that can be applied for. There are 2 police powers that can be used, section 61 & section 62. Section 62 can't be used in Oxfordshire as there are no sites that the travellers can be sent to. Set criteria for section 61 – 2 or more trespassers, need to be asked to leave, 6+ vehicles, if being offensive. There needs to be a significant level of disruption. The response needs to be lawful and proportionate. There is a standard code of conduct that is given to the travellers. (Travellers live by section 61)</p> <p>Resident AH asked would it help if Cherwell provided a site? Concrete bollards are welcome to help prevent unauthorised encampments.</p> <p>PG stated concrete bollards are useless. GB – there is a site less than 1 mile from Kingsmere ('The Caravan park')</p> <p>PG – Has had meetings with Developers & Cherwell Council Councils are the softest target. They have to follow health & welfare policy, apply for court orders. The best route is tact and diplomacy.</p> <p>NC (Ex-district Cllr) Prevention is better than cure. Peter does a great job. Groups of travellers are different, not all the same. Some of the comment on Facebook are outrageous. GB – Not the KRA facebook page. GB gave thanks to Sup Int Mark John's and his companions for attending.</p>		
2	<p>Countryside – Phase 2 update SP – Phase 2 is subject to a few outstanding applications awaiting approval. Phase 2 should start end of July/early August. Phase 1 – Village centre (shops) started 1 month ago due to be finished by December. Convenience store = Co-op, Nursery = Busy Bees, Dominos, Estate Agent + one unit not currently allocated + 14/15 flats above. Community centre handed over last month. Public art and car park in place. Commercial centre (Retail park) site by Esso/Premier Inn being developed by CPD group. Applications are in, slightly amended. Approval expected by end of June. They hope to be on site in September. Planned open Summer 2019. Will</p>	Info	✓



	<p>include M&S food, Next + 2 others + gym + potential pharmacy.</p> <p>Health Village site – Between Commercial site & MSR – Consent has run out. Are in discussions with GP's. Have meetings with council over the coming months.</p>		
3	<p>Kingsmere Community Centre (KCC) update.</p> <p>GB – The Community centre is amazing and a great asset to Kingsmere. Hats off to Vicky and the group for their tenacity and determination to make the centre a success and everyone should support them if possible.</p> <p>The group introduced themselves – Vicky (VH), Nicky (NO), Ellie (EM) and Mark (ML) + Carla, who was unable to attend this meeting will be Directors.</p> <p>VH – Open day 14th July</p> <p>NO – have had to jump through lots of hoops, are in the process of setting up as a Community Interest Trust (Company). They are meeting regularly. Looking to open in September. Open day coming up.</p> <p>VH As part of registration and set up have come up with a Mission statement. 'To provide a centre at the heart of the community for all age groups' 'It is anticipated the centre will grow with the community'</p> <p>VH has been working on the Business plan. Funding will come from various sources – this is all currently with solicitors.</p> <p>Can't apply for grants until after 1 year of trading to be able to show finances.</p> <p>The long term viability relies on engaging with the community.</p> <p>EM When can we get in? Open day 14th July 10am – 4pm It is well equipped. At the open day they will be show casing hirers, promoting and fund raising.</p> <p>ML is running Facebook & Social Media. The 'Group' will be closed soon – please follow & like the 'Page' @KingsmereCommunityCentre</p> <p>There are other volunteers and sub groups working on things like, recruitment, contracts & hire agreements. Café will open after the centre is open – will be limited times.</p> <p>GB – congratulated the group, acknowledged it is a huge undertaking and wished the KCC every success.</p> <p>Resident () – Are there meeting rooms? KCC – Yes, 2 rooms upstairs hold approx. 30 people.</p> <p>KCC – Are lining up hirers, can't take party bookings yet. Will</p>	Info	✓



	<p>take note of details but can't confirm as the open date could move/slip.</p> <p>GB raised the concern of many about parking and not enough spaces. SP – Countryside can't find parking spaces retrospectively. However from the consultation on the TRO (Traffic Regulation order) which has been passed Countryside and OCC are now looking at leaving some gaps in the lines to allow for some on street parking.</p> <p>Resident AH – Guidance states a 4 bed house should have 2 car parking spaces – this is outdated. GB – KRA has been in dialogue with Countryside & planners, this has been improved for phase 2 and we raised this issue with all the stakeholders years ago when they could have addressed it.</p> <p>Resident () – Suggest parking at the Whitelands Farm Sports Ground and walking the short distance, which she could do at the age of 82!</p> <p>TL – suggested using the park and ride with a shuttle bus as an option.</p>		
4	<p>Kingsmere Phase 2 (part 2) JH asked what was included in the Health Village consent? SP – The consent included marketing for GP, Community Hospital, Community Care. They received no bids therefore nothing has been delivered. The consent has now time expired. Countryside are still consulting. They are in a joint venture partnership, their partner for the Health Village site is a Health specialist. Cllr DS – The Clinical Commissioning group are currently looking at provision for Bicester. Their current preference is for large hubs. NC – Local area is crying out for GP's Countryside need to ensure that there is healthcare provision on Kingsmere. Cllr DS – It is not up to Countryside but the Clinical Commissioning group. GB – It is good that Bicester is expanding rapidly, however there is not enough provision of key infrastructure. Healthcare provision does not just mean GP's. Bicester needs more facilities in general such as dentists and mainstream retail. Cllr DS – thinks the Health Village site is large enough for a large hub as preferred by the Clinical commission.</p>	Info	✓



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<p>SP – Countryside can only lay the foundations for what the land is used for (They can't make GP's come, no point in building a doctors surgery without someone to run it)</p> <p>SP – Kingsmere due to be complete in 2023</p> <p>Phase 1 just over 1000 houses occupied out of 1700.</p> <p>Phase 2 – consent received last year (2017). Will deliver by splitting the site in to parcels. Countryside are the strategic developer and will provide the main infrastructure. The convenience store, assisted care (60 bed) + primary school go to Specialist developers.</p> <p>There is an open space at the south end of phase 2 (by Whitelands Farm House) Details are currently with the council. There is a central square near the primary school with more play equipment. There is a balancing pond on the otherside of Vendee Drive.</p> <p>First piece of work will be access to site, junction off MSR and haul roads for construction traffic. There is a pedestrian crossing on Vendee Drive leading to a community space.</p> <p>Countryside are looking to write a newsletter to explain who is responsible for what.</p> <p>GB requested that Countryside include Oxfordshire County Council (OCC), Cherwell district Council (CDC) and Bicester Town Council (BTC) in the ownership/responsibility newsletter.</p> <p>SP explained they are trying to work out how to do this simply with pictures and words.</p> <p>Colleagues from Cala Homes were present, Cala have taken the first parcel of land on phase 2 to build 247 homes.</p> <p>The have been successes and lessons to learn from phase 1. There will be good connections between phase 1 & 2, clear routes in and out. Aware of parking issues on phase 1, there will be more on street parking on phase 2.</p> <p>Resident () Issue with park near St Edburg's school when it rains. RE Soakaways have been put in, which should resolve this.</p> <p>Resident AH – Queries some issues with trees. RE, Countryside plant through winter, planted 200 last season. Adoption has been a slow process. GB requests issues be directed via email to info@kingsmerecommunity.com</p> <p>GC – Will phase 2 have an impact on adoption of phase 1? He was told needed to be 75% complete.</p> <p>SP – It is 80% complete but of 'frontage to spine roads' including secondary school, Whitelands way has been split into sections for adoption. The section where Bovis are currently building will be the last section to be adopted.</p> <p>Resident () Will there be a link to Chesterton.</p>	SP	Next Mtg
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	SP – Yes a Country Park / Community Woodland. This is with Chesterton Parish Council, there is currently a land ownership issue.		
5	<p>Cllr DS – Apologised for Lucida Wing (Late shift at work) & David Anderson (Wife expecting any day). Councillors have been busy, building relationships with KRA and getting communication going. Working with officers more effectively. Councillors can't do anything if they don't know. Cllr DS encourages residents to email them with concerns like TL did about the travellers. Councillors are not involved with the nitty gritty of the planning and design code, that's the planning and design officers. It was 8 – 10 years ago when the plans for Kingsmere were submitted. Things have now changed. Used to be parking behind houses now there is a preference to park in front of house so have sight of car. Small play areas (LAP's) on phase 1, which will become the responsibility of BTC. Trying to limit on phase 2. Pioneer Way Junction with A41 – meeting on 24th July. Graven Hill new primary school in now in consultation. Other issues aware of include Lamp posts not working and sports pitches – teething issues with management. Please email on: daniel.sames@cherwell-dc.gov.uk Resident (AH) Thanked Cllr DS for support with recent traveller encampments. Raised local plan and SPD are out of date.</p>	Info	✓
6	<p>GB – Great that crossing links between Kingsmere and Chesterton are being considered as part of phase 2. GB Welcomed Jacqui Cox from OCC Highways. JC Confirmed work on a Toucan crossing across the MSR will commence on Monday 18th June – This was greeted with a round of applause. This is in conjunction with 3 pieces of work at the same time. Work will start with civil works e.g. tac tiles, work on path towards rugby club. Electrical work should be in August carried out by Siemens. Aim is to open the crossing before the children go back to school in September. The MSR will be closed for 1 day in July – JC will let the KRA know so this can be publicized. The speed cushions are being repaired at the same time. JH raised the cycle lane on the MSR is currently unusable. GB – KRA have been made aware we can get our own speed gun, and the KRA will be pursuing this.</p>	Info	✓



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7	<p>TL – Secondary School Update St Edburg's School Summer Fayre Sat 23rd 12 – 2 all welcome. The Secondary School will now be the Whitelands Academy, as there was another academy/school using 'Alchester' in their name. It is not definitely a sports and health academy. Was due to open Sept 19 but this is now looking doubtful as the land is still with Countryside. MK told by OCC 3 weeks ago all OK and planned meeting with year 5 parents on 27th June. TL, BT & residents had a meeting with the developer Kier on Wednesday 13th Plans have been passed, but did not take in to consideration the concerns of residents. A formal complaint has been raised about the planning procedure. Sub group set up trying to get the plans and outstand consents tweaked. Please email info@kingsmerecommunity.com if you are concerned about any aspects of the secondary school. VH – There is no foresight, it is too small (600 pupils and no 6th form provision) MK – Has raised concerns as a head teacher, there is no foresight.</p>	Info	✓
8	<p>GB – Reminded the aims and objectives of the KRA. Set up as residents all having similar issues all being sent around in the same circles. We have broadband on the estate due to the KRA. People power will help build this community.</p>	Info	✓
9	<p>GB Introduced the members of the KRA committee. Apologies noted Thanked all guests and residents for coming.</p>	Info	✓
10	<p>NC – Moved to Langford 18 years ago. It is amazing what we are doing on Kingsmere. Don't forget Langford Village Association, he can arrange for them to come to a meeting.</p>	Info	✓
11	<p>A.O.B TRO – No update KCC – Open day 10am – 4pm 14th July GB & VH resign at next meeting (AGM) in October</p>	Info	✓

The meeting closed at: 21:00