



**Kennington Parish Council
Oxfordshire**

**Minutes of the Events Committee meeting
held 6 February 2025 at 7:30pm in Committee Room 1 in the Village Centre**

Present: Cllr. Brown; Cllr. Powles; Cllr. Locklin; Cllr. Cuddy and Cllr. Cobb

In attendance: Anne Feather (Clerk) No members of the public

41.24 APOLOGIES – Cllr. Smith

42.24.1 DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS – Cllr. Cobb Cllr. declared his Interest as he is well known to the big band which will be playing at May's VE Day Celebrations event.

43.24 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

44.24 Minutes of the meeting held on 16 September 2024 were agreed and signed.

45.24 2025 EVENTS CALENDAR * Please note £600 would be to cover both events
 ** £400 in EMR unspent on the Good Neighbours
 *** £1000 for both events

£600*	Annual Parish meeting – Wednesday 23 April (item 5)
£800	80 year VE Day Celebrations – Saturday 3 May 2025
£400**	Garden Competition – provisionally if Kennington Gardening Club agree to take it on
£600*	Remembrance Day – Sunday 9 November 2025
£500***	Carols Around the Tree – Sunday 30 November 2025
£500***	Santa Around the Village – Friday and Saturday 12 & 13 December 2025

Cllr. Locklin arrived

14.23 Discuss any other possible events:

15.24 VE DAY FISH & CHIP DINNER AND DANCE

This was discussed and felt to be a good idea.

- a. The main hall at Village Centre is booked (4pm – 11pm) on Saturday 3 May 2025
- b. The Bob Cutting Big Band (playing Glenn Miller music) is available that evening – cost £300 and will fit on existing stage
- c. Suggesting it be a ticketed event in the region of £15 per ticket to include meal and welcoming drink
- d. Suggesting basing 50 residents booking tickets
- e. Suggesting it is a family event
- f. Could arrange a raffle
- g. Suggesting fish & chip supper at tables, being moved to the edge of hall for dancing later in the evening
- h. Would need to speak with Ocean Blue
- i. Suggesting a bar (licence in place) for profit
- j. Any monies made would go to British Legion
- k. Cllr Brown volunteered to attend Emergency at Work First Aid Course (shared costs between parish council and OALC)
- l. Dress code suggesting smart/1940s
- m. Would need advertising: posters/fliers; Chronicle; Noticeboards; Facebook & website
- n. Would need support front of house
- o. Would need to decorate hall with bunting – still got from earlier events
- p. Would need commitment of help to make event a success – suggesting also ask KAD

members for assistance

q. Possibly someone with an interesting was story could speak as an introduction to the evening

ACTION FOR CLERK – On agenda for agreement of full council

ACTION FOR CLERK – Full council to agree to First Aid training for Cllr Brown
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ACTION FOR CLLR POWLES – Speak with Ocean Blue Fish and Chip Shop in village

Meeting of the Events Working Group on Thursday 13 February at 6:00pm in main committee room. To discuss VE Fish & Chip Dinner and Dance; Annual Village meeting and Forest side play area
(added this event onto the 2025 Event Calendar above)

16.24 VILLAGE GARDEN COMPETITION

Earlier in the year it was suggested that the Gardening Club be approached to ascertain whether or not they would like to take over the long standing Village Garden Competition.

ACTION FOR CLERK – Contact the Chair (Robin Mason) of Kennington Gardening Club to ask whether the club would like to take on the village Gardening Competition
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(provisionally added this event onto the 2025 Event Calendar above)

17.24 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – 23 APRIL 2025

18.24 Organise cheese and wine plus tea and coffee etc.

ACTION FOR COMMITTEE – Organise and prepare cheese, wine, tea and coffee as last year
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ACTION FOR CLERK – Gather previous list of who did what last year and forward to committee

Clerk has flagged the date up to Emily Shipway of the Manor Surgery, Kaylee Stone of Macintyre and Mrs Knighton, Head of St Swithun's School. Mrs Knighton has responded and it is pencilled in her diary.

ACTION FOR CLERK – Send out invitations, including on these invitations the request for any photos/stories that could be displayed as part of the VE Day celebrations
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ACTION FOR CLERK – Advertise in Kennington Chronicle

Possible speaker from Head Injuries Services (Cllr Cobb has contact details of CEO).
Invite the manager of the new pharmacy in the village – possibly to speak?
Send invitation the Chair of KADS – (Cllr Brown has contact details of Tim ?)

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19.24 ITEMS RAISED BY MEMBERS - None

20.24 MATTERS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

Garden Competition; Remembrance Day; Carols Around the Tree and Santa's Visit

21.24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – To be confirmed

Meeting closed at 8:34 pm

Signed **Dated**