

Minutes of the
Committee Meeting held on
Wednesday the 11th of June 2025 at 7:00pm at The Fox Public House

Committee Members Present:

Shelley Sturdy (Chair)
Peter Zieminski (Vice Chair)
Kimball Ormond (Sec)
Larry Herbert (FoKC)
In attendance:
Cllr Alexa Michael

1. Apologies for Absence

John Algar, Gail Spencer, Hilary Ryder.

2. Minutes of meeting of the 9th of April 2025

Approved.

3. Matters Arising

- (a) Angus Culverwell, Assistant Director Traffic and Parking –will look into reinstating the red faux speed table in Heathfield Road.
- (b) The gate at the end of Rolinsden Way can be locked as it is owned by the immediate householders.
- (c) The correct spelling is *idverde*.
- (d) Cllr Michael said that Bromley was reviewing its Local Plan.
- (e) Cllrs Michael and Coldspring-White had been re-selected to stand as Council candidates in the May 2026 Local Elections, together with Diane Smith.

4. Financial Report

To be produced

5. Biggin Hill

The KVRA Monitoring Exercise is focused on incursions into the Keston Noise Sensitive Area (NSA) by helicopters. Year to date 22 helicopters have been reported. The Airport's investigation into these has revealed that 18 pilots and/or operators have been referred to the Airport's Safety and Noise Action Board (SANARB) as there was no apparent mitigation for their incursion across the Keston NSA. So far SANARB has issued 5 written warnings to these pilots and/or operators.

Peter Zieminski, the KVRA's representative on the Biggin Hill Airport Consultative Committee (BHACC) will attend a meeting with David Winstanley, the Airport's CEO, on the 17th of June 2025 to discuss these complaints and also to help draft the terms of reference for the newly created Working Parties which will examine 1. The complaints process and 2. The establishment of Key Performance Indicators, as part of the work of the Airport's Residents Noise Action Forum (ARNAF).

Peter and Shelley will attend the next ARNAF meeting on the 15th of July to hear about progress towards the implementation of the promised revision of the boundaries of the Keston NSA and the new approach to Runway 03 Trial, scheduled for quarter three of this year.

6. Planning

(a) Cllr Michael will 'Call in' the application from Oakshaw Farm.

(b) All other applications were deemed non-contentious.

(c) Cllr Michael said the Government's consultation document on the Reform of Planning Committees had been issued. She asked if KVRA could respond to the public consultation. In essence, it will mean the removal of local democratic decision making from all but the largest planning applications (and then only in principle). 'Call-in' will be abolished. Very few Councillors will be 'allowed' to sit on planning committees to make the decisions that are permitted to them.

[Reform of planning committees: technical consultation - GOV.UK](#)

7. Heathfield Road

Cllr Michael said she will remind Angus Culverwell re: the red faux speed table at the junction of Keston Avenue and Heathfield Road.

8. Fund Raising – KestFest 2025

Unfortunately, due to the dire weather forecast, KestFest had to be cancelled. However, most of the stall holders agreed to transfer the event to the Christmas Fair in the village hall in December. It was suggested that a Quiz Night could be organised to help raise funds.

9. AGM

The AGM was a great success held in the Parish Church Hall. Everyone was happy to hold it there again.

10. Any other Business

(a) As Hilary Ryder is retiring as Treasurer and Shelley said we were looking for a replacement.

(b) Larry Herbert said there will be a bin placed in the Timber Yard. Also, he had been working on a new Interpretation board for the common showing dry and & wet meadows.

Date of Next meeting: Committee –Tuesday the 16th of September 2025 at 7:30pm

Distribution

Shelley Sturdy

John Algar

Hilary Ryder

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Alexa Michael

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