

## **Kewstoke Parish Council**

Kewstoke Parish council has a variety of powers and duties,( mandatory actions) all of which impact directly on the local community.

The remit for the duties of a Parish Council are extensive and range from the provision of allotments to the provision and maintenance of public toilets.

In addition the Parish Councils can spend a limited amount of money on anything they deem of benefit to the community that is not covered by the other specific responsibilities under their prescribed remit.

To discharge these duties the Kewstoke Parish Council employs 3 part time Orderlies, a part time Parish Clerk and relies heavily on Voluntary efforts from the Councillors. A number of contractors are also used.

### **What we do**

These are a list of functions and services provided by Kewstoke Parish Council for the benefit of Kewstoke Parish.

#### **Meetings**

1. Monthly Parish Council meetings including setting of the Parish precept.
2. Monthly planning meetings to discuss and respond to new planning applications
3. Respond to consultations on various matters which affect the Parish and Parishioners.

#### **Village Maintenance**

1. Maintenance of the Car Park areas on behalf of North Somerset Council
2. Maintain the Village Green and Children's play area which is owned by Kewstoke Parish Council.
3. Maintenance of the Toilet block for which Kewstoke Parish Council have a long lease.
4. Employment of Orderlies to collect rubbish from around the Village and dunes.
5. Ongoing maintenance of the Sea Front Benches
6. Employment of Contractors to cut hedges, Sea Bank and Village green.

#### **Village Facilities**

Provide Notice Boards (4) around the Village to communicate events and Information to the Parishioners

1. Provision of a defibrillator in the telephone Kiosk near Owls Crest bed and breakfast.
2. Provision of Allotments
3. Painting of the signage in and around the Village
4. Provision and maintenance of Vehicle activated Signs in and around Village
5. Provision and maintenance of the footpath from the Village Hall to the Cozy Crab.
6. Provision of Street lighting in and around the Village
7. Provision and maintenance of the two Bus Shelters
8. Provision and maintenance of the shelter on the Sea front.
9. Provision and maintenance of the Grit Bins in and around the Village
10. Provision and maintenance of the Flagpole on Village Green
11. Employment of contractors to empty the dog bins in and around the Village.

### **Events**

1. Children's Christmas party

### **Other**

1. Lease out the Kiosk by concession at the Bus Terminus Car Park
2. Manage Parish Website <https://www.kewstokevillage.com/>
3. Clear sand from Sea Front paths
4. Provision of regular Newsletters
5. Generally act as eyes and ears of the Parish reporting items to North Somerset Council and other agencies where appropriate.