

Call in of Cabinet Member Decision E2677 25 July 14

Kingsdown is not a colony or some insignificant backwater. As the second largest urban concentration in B&NES behind Bath our planned growth suggests a future of increasing importance as chairman of KTC we have in recent times enjoyed a good working relationship with B&NES Cabinet as shown by our now £34 million centre and more recently new Youth Service accommodation. At our last Council Meeting Cabinet member David Saxon called us for a good natured & positive discussion let us keep this matter before us simple.

On November 19 2013 KTC responded to a B&NES request for street names. On 18 March KTC discussed and suggested names for the new centre and rooms within.

20th May KTC formally received the news that B&NES Cabinet had decided to revert names and put forward 'Market Place' and 'Clive Centre'. Cabinet expressed the view they would wish to proceed when the names command local support. KTC and ward councillors were seen as the primary means to gauge that support. Martin Lake of B&NES was in attendance and he fed feedback to the Cabinet - that as the end of consultation unknown to us we now face after this spurious consultation a single member decision by Cllr Katie Hall on 7 July not to oppose the cabinet decision on 'Market walk'!

The Bath Councillor for Lynecombe has in her brief involvement set back our relationship with B&NES cabinet in a significant way. There is the democracy or lack of it in this perverse decision that has caused much dismay and anger in Kingsdown. This matter must be referred back to Cllr Hall or to full Council and a mutually amicable solution agreed.

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