

Minutes of a Meeting of Knapton Parish Council held on 7th June 2022 in Knapton Village Hall at 7.00 pm

Present: Peter Neatherway (Chair), Jackie Hall (Vice-Chair), Patrick Lee, Monika Kemp, John Lawton, Elizabeth Winter, Dee Holroyd (Clerk), Cllr Ed Maxfield (NCC), one member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence: None

2. Declarations of Interest: **None**

3. Cllr Ed Maxfield:

- a. EM had a meeting with Steve White shortly and would discuss allocation of his fund to cover the cost of extending the 40mph speed limit on the B1145 and reducing the speed limit in Pond Lane (hopefully to be carried out while Highways were allowing alterations outside their normal remit)
- b. EM asked whether the PC were currently putting in an application. PN confirmed this would be done after the July meeting
- c. The recycling centre at Worsted was to be enlarged
- d. EM had seen the correspondence between Knapton PC and NCC on the recently extended 30mph limit in Hall Lane. PN had now received confirmation that errors made would be corrected
- e. PN asked for advice from EM on how the information collected by the three parishes on speeding should be processed. There will be a letter from Highways and EM believed there would be a good case for extending the 40mph speed limit
- f. JL asked about progress on charging points. Currently this had not progressed. It was felt that a charging point in the Knapton car park would not be necessary.

4. Minutes of the Meetings held on 5th May:

These were agreed and signed by the Chair, proposed LW seconded MK.

5. Matters Arising:

- a. Car park tidying: `Path Tidy` to be purchased by PN and applied in watering cans
- b. Knapton News Funding: LW now had enough funding for two issues and was expecting more
- c. Salt Bin Purchase: PL to give the clerk measurements of the existing bin

6. Parish Councillors Reports:

- a. PL confirmed all 28 allotments let with a waiting list
- b. JL had not been able to progress Community Speed Watch due to lack of response from possible volunteers. PN asked JL to make the council aware at the next meeting if volunteers can be found, else the scheme would be dropped. DH to check whether Paston PC might join with Knapton for training
- c. LW reported that Anglia Water hoped to finish work in Knapton in November. Work at Knapton Green was completed. Work on Lawn Close would start on 20th June. Anglia Water had agreed to pay £200 towards Knapton Jubilee costs.

- d. JH: Footpath 3 had been cut. Footpath 7 is overgrown. DH had reported. Butterfly Walk was now so reduced in width due to bank encroachment that it was difficult to use. EM confirmed these are the responsibility of NCC Norfolk Trails. DH to contact. JH also reported that due to the narrowness of the road and the height of the banks, overgrown, vegetation in Paston Road damaged cars. EM confirmed current Highways policy is for two annual cuts of one metre, two on corners. Safety concerns such as in Hall Lane, where growth has been rapid, could be reported. DH to contact Highways. EM would take concerns to NCC.

7. Financial Report:

The first instalment of the 2022 Precept had been received. Current balance stood at £5,978. Invoices paid during May (plus VAT where applicable) were:

● Hansells, Land Registry Fee	£45.00
● Knapton Village Hall (electricity for defibrillator)	£57.25
● Clerk/office May payment	£178.15
● Matthew Williams (Digger Hire for beacon)	£183.60
● Community Action Suffolk (insurance)	£278.06
● S R Print (Jubilee leaflets & banner)	£188.00
● P Neatherway (cement for beacon)	£94.99
● Elizabeth Winter (Jubilee bunting & flags)	£42.97

8. Purchase Salt Bin for The Street:

This item had been dealt with earlier in the meeting

9. Purchase of Laptop for Sam 2 information:

All agreed. PN to purchase.

10. Any Other Business:

- a. PL suggested a suitable gift for Alan Young, who had retired after 25 years on the Parish Council. It was agreed PL would purchase wine
- b. LW asked if the owner of No 1 Lawn Close could be asked to cut back the very high hedge on their boundary. DH to write
- c. LW asked whether a permanent blue 'Not suitable for heavy vehicles' could be put at the south end of Hall Lane. This to be discussed at the July meeting when Kally Keohane from Highways would talk to the PC.
- d. Planning Application PF/22/1214 on the Mundesley Road: All agreed to support this application.
- e. JH said that Mario of First Responders had offered to do a free, 6-hour first aid course. Knapton Facebook could advertise. LW confirmed the collection buckets at the Jubilee events had raised £187.60 for first responders.

- f. JH had spoken with her brother Michael Hall about playground repairs. He was finding it hard to give a firm estimate due to constantly rising costs but came up with a figure of about £2,500. It was agreed PN would meeting with PL, MK and MH at the playground to discuss a priority programme of repairs
- g. JH suggested, following a very successful children`s tea party for the Jubilee, that a Halloween party might be held, with tickets covering the costs and possibly funding some playground repairs. LW suggested this might be held at MADRA. MK to look into it and bring ideas to the July meeting.
- h. PN confirmed that Jubilee mugs had been given to every child in Knapton
- i. PN thanked everyone involved in a hugely successful Jubilee weekend. A lot of hard work had resulted in an outstanding celebration which had been enjoyed by well over three hundred people. He suggested a small gift to all helpers to mark the appreciation of the Parish Council. To be discussed at the July meeting.

11. Date of next Meeting:

Tuesday 5th July. This meeting would be at 6.00.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Questions from the public.

A request was made that no photos of children taken at the children`s should be published. PN assured the meeting that this would not happen and agreed to send anything he was planning to put on the website to Karen Hanson first.

KH confirmed that if any child attending an event did not have a parent or carer present, then the organisers had to be CBC checked.