Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 6th May 2014 in Knapton Village Hall following the Annual Knapton Parish Meeting

1. Present: As for the Annual Parish Meeting.

2. Election of Chairman and officers of the Parish Council: DBL was re-elected as Chairman, proposed PL, seconded MA. AY Vice-Chairman, proposed PK, seconded MA. All agreed.

3. Minutes of the 2013 AGM and the PC Meeting held on 8th April 2014: Were agreed and signed by the Chairman, proposed PK, seconded SW.

4. Matters Arising: There was no interest in buying the land at Fourways, Mundesley. PK would provide DH with a list of possible tree surgeons to deal with the trees on site. DBL reported that Margaret Hick's centenary birthday had been a great success with many people attending. Margaret had been delighted by the idea of daffodils being planted to mark the occasion.

5. Finance, Budget and Audit: The clerk circulated the budget for 2014/15, showing a predicted credit balance at the end of 2015 of £4150. The cash book and Audit were signed by the chairman.

6. Correspondence: DH had informed Highways of the accident at the foot of the church steps. Highways were not responsible but had suggested a solution. DH to ask Highways for a price for this work and to ask the Road Rangers whether this was something they could do.

7. Any Other Business: (i) AY had been to a meeting at Bacton Gas. There had been a cliff slip and the coastal walk was currently closed. (ii) PL said that Madra had offered the club house to the PC for their Tuesday meetings, free of charge. To be discussed at a later date.

The meeting was closed for Wyndham Northam to make his report. (i) A proposal to reduce mobile library visits has been put to one side. (ii) No increase in Council Tax. (iii) Proposed Fire fighters Strike: Norfolk was fortunate in that over half the fire fighters were retained fire fighters who do not go on strike. (iv) People were being encouraged to purchase fire alarms (no longer offered free by the government) for elderly neighbours. The Fire Brigade would install these. (v) By September Knapton should have better broadband. (vi) Roadside ditches had been cleared out. (vi) JW would get in touch with Highways re the potholes, which had re-appeared beneath recent resurfacing. (vii) Household Recycling Sites: WN strongly felt that week days closing and a charge would lead to an increase in fly tipping. The PC had written to NCC about this. (vii) Kings Lynn incinerator. Promised government funding had been withdrawn and there was local public hostility to the proposed incinerator.

8. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 3rd June 2014 at 7.30pm

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.30pm.