

Minutes of a Meeting of Knapton Parish Council held on

Tuesday 2nd February 2016 at 7.30pm in

Knapton Village Hall

Present: David Bishop-Laggett, Mary Allen, Andrew Claydon, Peter Kaye, Pat Lee, Alan Young.

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Sue Wilkins, Cllr Nick Coppack.
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th January 2016:** Some amendments from NNDC had been included and Minutes were agreed. Proposed PK, seconded AY.
- 3. Matters Arising:** None
- 4. Councillor Nick Coppack:** Had sent apologies.
- 5. Declarations of Interest:** None.
- 6. Finance:** £4500. An invoice for work on the scrape had been received. KPC share would be about £600.
- 7. Millennium Field development:** Following the previous meeting a letter had been sent to NNDC and a reply received. This had not been seen by the PC so it would be copied to all members for discussion at the next meeting.
- 8. Madra:** The current lease was with Hansells. It was suggested that Graham Quinton be invited to the next PC meeting to discuss renewing the lease, (DH to write). Madra did not want responsibility for the play area. If the PC was to take this over the cost would be more than it could afford, especially as a fence would have to be moved off land owned by Madra and some of the equipment was in need of repair. A suggestion was made that NNDC be asked if the play area could be moved to the Millennium Field.

- 9. Footpath to Mundesley:** Steve Hammond would do an initial cut, for which £200 had been agreed.
- 10. Correspondence Received:** (i) letter from Highways about the overgrown hedge at Knapton House. They would investigate. (ii) Letter from Angus Robertson about horse droppings outside his home. DBL pointed out that this lane is a public road.
- 11. Any Other Business:** (i) The grass triangle at The Street end of Lawn Close was being cut up by cars parking on it. This was due to carers and a refuse lorry. (ii) A police car and three policemen had been seen on the allotments on Thursday 28th February.
- 12. Date of next Meeting:** Tuesday 1st March.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm.

Councillor Wyndam Northam told the meeting (i) The Government grant to NCC for 2016/17 budget had been reduced by £28,733 million. (ii) The Budget consultation provided 3101 responses, 77% agreed to an increase in Council Tax. (iii) The Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service has an Urban Search and Rescue Team, one of only 5 in the UK, which had helped with flood problems in Cumbria over the Christmas period. (iv) NCC Children`s Outreach service provided assistance and guidance to nine families over Christmas, resulting in no children from those homes being taken into care. (v) NNDC is endeavouring to provide a balanced budget for 2016/17 without increasing Council Tax. (vi) NCC and Eastlaw, the Legal Team, have won national awards for excellence.