

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KNAPTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY AT 7.30 IN KNAPTON VILLAGE HALL

Present: Peter Neatherway (Chairman), Pat Lee (Vice-Chairman) Andrew Claydon, John Lawton, Alan Young, Elizabeth Winter, Dee Holroyd (Clerk).

1. Apologies for Absence

David Bishop-Laggett.

2. Declarations of Interest

None.

3. Cllrs Ed Maxfield, Greg Hayman

Neither was present. Cllr GH had sent a report which was circulated.

It was noted that the tree planting initiative is under way.

4. Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd December 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chairman. Proposed LW, seconded AC.

5. Matters Arising

a. Cost sharing with Mundesley of footpath cutting:

A letter had been sent to the Clerk at Mundesley PC on 4th December. No response received. It was agreed that PN would write to the Chairman of Mundesley PC to put the case of cost sharing for mowing of the path to him. The path was seen to be being well used.

b. Licence for Car Park on Land off School Close:

The car park has now been completed and a long-term Licence Agreement had been signed by PN and PL on behalf of the Parish Council.

Whilst the car park remains the property of VHT, it is KPC's responsibility to manage it. PL has the key but locking the posts proved awkward so it was decided the car park should be permanently open, subject to it not being abused. Limited, numbered Overnight Parking Permits (available from the Parish Clerk) would allow one-off overnight parking (not encouraged by VHT). If this was abused, the car park could be locked at any time and the offending vehicle(s) towed away. An explanatory sign was at the entrance.

The meeting closed at 7.50 to allow a local resident to ask permission to hold a permanent overnight permit. After general discussion, the PC agreed that this was against the terms of the Licence, could lead to abuse by other residents and that the number of spaces would not allow for it. The PC regretfully informed the resident, whom PN would introduce to Graham Quinton, who might allow him a parking space at MADRA. The meeting re-opened at 8.00pm.

PL pointed out that people attending an event in Knapton Village Hall might find themselves in a position where driving home was not an option. Numbered permits could be issued to anyone hosting such an event.

All agreed that the park should be left open with numbered permits for overnight parking.

c. **Speed Watch updates:**

JL reported that no progress since December. Speed Watch would take place in The Street, Hall Lane and the Mundesley Road.

d. **NNDC**

NNDC letter of thanks for Playground Grant: Had been sent following the December meeting.

e. **Grant Funding for VAS machine:**

KPC has secured £1500 from Cllr Ed Maxfield`s fund and is awaiting a decision on an application to NNDC, due in March.

PN had spoken to Highways, the cost of extending the speed limit to the “Butterfly Walk” car park in Hall Lane would be around £7000.

The cost of re-structuring the junction of the B1145, Hall Lane and The Street to prevent people turning straight off the main road, would be £5-7000. Highways and the Police had been consulted. PN has discussed the possibility of VHT funding this work with P Waplinton and is waiting for the outcome of their management meeting.

PN also raised the issue of traffic in The Street. He believed that problems were caused by HGVs rather than speeding. The proposed SpeedWatch action would show up the number of HGVs using The Street.

f. **Pages for book of condolence:**

A loose leaf book could be put in the Church

g. **Flag instruction for Operation London Bridge:**

DH to give to DBL

h. **Plaques for playground and defibrillator:**

AY would put these up

i. **Allotment Sign & Security Camera**

PN to identify & purchase a suitable night vision camera and arrange with PL to have it fitted to monitor foot and vehicular traffic using the lane leading to the allotments

After discussion it was agreed that a sign be erected at the junction of the lane entrance with Hall Lane reading "Allotment Holders Only. No Public Right of Way. CCTV in operation, by order of Knapton Parish Council". Action AY

6. Parish Councillor`s Reports

a. PL. Allotments had been discussed. AY offered to cut the Allotment hedge and asked for progress on the hard core for the road

b. JL had nothing further to report

c. AY reported that he had attended a NNDC Forum Meeting. NNDC would like a representative from each PC to attend quarterly meetings (our local District Councillor should attend). It was important that KPC was represented

AY reported that the planning application PU/19/2127 at Parrs Farm, had been withdrawn

AY suggested a letter of thanks for the annual lunch should be sent to Tracey Tuttle at Bacton Gas Site. Action DH

d. LW reported that the path to Mundesley was being well used. Water was lying on the road from Bacton to Paston

e. PN would like to buy an ordinance map showing all local footpaths and their numbers. All agreed.

7. Financial Report

The clerk reported a current credit balance of £4484. Cheques were signed £186, clerk and office. £72, Knapton Village Hall rent and £27, Travis Perkins, cement.

8. Any Other Business

- a. PN had written to our MP requesting that Knapton be at the forefront of any trial for an improved Broadband solution
- b. LW had registered the church tower a position for an aerial. No response to date
- c. LW asked whether the three caravans parked at MADRA were subject to the 28-day restriction on those parked on the field. No, they are tenants of MADRA
- d. PN had met with MADRA and hoped for progress on the lease to follow
- e. JL raised the question of the proposed caravan site at Paston. This could result in extra traffic using The Street

9. Date of next Meetings: Annual Village and Annual Parish Council

Tuesday 3rd March at 7.00pm