

KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON July 15th 2015

PRESENT : Cllr Lister – Chair ,Cllr Read, Cllr Wigg, Cllr Staff, Cllr Pipe, Clerk J Harrison, 6 Members of the Public, SCC Cllr Smith

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr McHardy, Cllr Baly, Cllr Mayhew (Attending function of Council's behalf), PSCO Maples, SCDC Cllr Haworth & Jones
2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – None
3. **MINUTES** – of meeting held on June 17th 2015: It was proposed by Cllr Read, seconded by Cllr Wigg and agreed by the Parish Council to accept the Minutes of the last meeting.
4. **CLERK'S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING**

- a) The Clerk had ordered the bollard for the track way to the Methodist Hall
- b) The topping for School Road had been ordered
- c) The clerk had written to Cllr Saxby to thank him for his time as a Councillor
- d) The Clerk had contacted The Methodist Hall reference Ebenezer Chapel
- e) Cllr Mayhew & the Clerk attended a Sizewell Consultation on 14 July – The Clerk gave a summary of the matters discussed.
- f) Clerk has made an appointment to meet J Alexander reference further work to the playground
- g) The police report was received, 1 offence of Burglary and 1 Malicious Communication – copy with main minutes

5. PLANS

DC/15/2155/PNH – 18 Buxlow Close, Knodishall

To remove existing conservatory & construct a larger Edwardian Style conservatory in the same location.

- No Objections

DC/15/2534/CLP – Crown Cottage, Aldringham Road, Knodishall

Erection of single storey extension to the front of the property providing new kitchen & dining area.

- No Objections

6. PLAYGROUND

The Clerk had arranged a meeting with J. Alexander to discuss replacement of the matting and baseball hoop. It had been reported that the Zip Wire was not working Cllr Staff & Wigg to investigate.

7. SCHOOL ROAD

The planings had been ordered and delivered, Cllr Wigg to liaise with Mr Murphy as to when the work to be carried out.

The Chairman closed the meeting to allow Mr Murphy to give some background to School Road.

He stated that Jill Kimmerling and Alan Gallant had met with SCDC in 2007 because SCDC would no longer take responsibility for the upkeep of School Road. They would provide a grant of £1000 and organise heavy equipment for the work to be carried out. A grant of £500 was given by the Village Hall together with some of the residents. In 2010 the amount given to the Village Hall by the Parish Council was reduced from £500 to £300 with the other £200 to be ring-fenced for repairs.

The chairman closed the meeting to the public and returned to the agenda.

The clerk has looked at the 2007 minutes and these mention the works carried out – there is no formal letter from SCDC to the Parish Council handing responsibility of School Road. Clerk to investigate amount given to Village Hall, as she had not been made aware by previous clerk and no amount is shown in the accounts.

8. TRACKWAY TO METHODIST HALL

The bollard had been fitted with keys held by Brian Driver for the Methodist Hall and Cllr Wigg for the Council. Clerk to contact Chapel Properties reference wheelchair access.

9. EMERGENCY PLAN

Cllr Staff had received no feedback from the piece in the newsletter. He is continuing to complete the relevant paperwork

10. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr Wigg said footpath 18a is blocked and needs to be re-instated – clerk to contact SCC, Mr Beames of allotment 12, would like to half his allotment.

Cllr Pipe mentioned again the pavements in Judith Avenue, Clerk to report again

Cllr Staff said a car has been parked for several months in the School Road car park – clerk to inform PCSO Maples, he asked if dog bin could be moved, a request had been made as to whether the common in front of the bus shelter could be used for a fun day – this was agreed

Cllr Read asked again about Hillcrest, clerk to contact Heritage Housing again, also questioned Cllr Smith about Knodishall residents using the Leiston Day Centre as now under the Aldeburgh Ward.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Form received for completion from Michelle Kelly, Black Barn Cottage – Council to write to Mr & Mrs Murfield for their comments.

12. FINANCIAL

The Clerk had prepared a copy of the Financial Statement showing the Council's financial position on 15th July 2015. Proposed by Cllr Read, seconded by Cllr Pipe

The Parish Council agreed to pay the following

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| • Hall Hire | 17.00 |
| • H Mayhew – Wages | 163.20 |
| • J Harrison – Salary | 223.50 |
| • (PAYE – DD) | 56.00 |
| • Broxap – Bollard | 105.60 |
| • Askew – Planings | 259.20 |
| • Barnes – Stationery | 14.21 |

The meeting was closed 8.15pm and the Chairman invited members of the public to speak.

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SCC Cllr Smith gave his report:- He is now on the Finance Committee in SCC, and savings of £75m have to be made – this could lead to unpopular decision, possibly including asking District Councils to take on some burden such as green waste etc. The Vehicle Activation Sign should be in operation in September and should have a positive effect on speeding as it is moved every 2-3 weeks. He has also started the process of reducing the B1122 Aldringham to Aldeburgh road from 60mph to 40mph – this could take 2 years.

SCDC Cllr Haworth-Culf and Jones had sent a report which included an update on the caravan in School Road and investigations into the car park in Post Office Road. (Copy with main minutes and on website)

Mrs Cassidy, thanked Cllr Wigg for the seat, and mentioned the overgrown vegetation going out of the village towards Blackheath. She also mentioned Mr Georgi who regularly pulls the Ragwort on the Common.

Mr Murphy confirmed with Cllr Wigg about works to School Road.

