

KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON October 21st 2015

PRESENT : Cllr Lister – Chair, Cllr Wigg, Cllr Staff, Cllr Pipe, Cllr Mayhew, Cllr Read, Cllr Kerridge Clerk J Harrison, 4 Member of the Public

1. **APOLOGIES** – Cllr Baly, Cllr McHardy, SCC Cllr Smith, SCDC Cllr Jones & Haworth-Culf
2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** – None
3. **MINUTES** – of meetings held on September 19th 2015 · It was proposed by Cllr Read, seconded by Cllr Pipe 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 reported the overgrown footpaths, SCC replied that the work would be carried out in the next cut.
- b) The Clerk had emailed SCC reference flooding on the B1069
- c) Mr Crisp from Ebenezer Chapel had contact the clerk reference the track way to the chapel, he requested a key to the bollard to allow for deliveries
- d) Environment Agency had been contacted as to when the river would be cleared, this work is to be carried out in December
- e) The Clerk had reclaimed the VAT £654.87
- f) Flagship had been chased reference Hillcrest, no reply received.
- g) The Police report was received 2 Crimes reported, 1 of Common Assault and 1 of Theft in dwelling (copy with main minutes)

5. PLANS

DC/15/3597/FUL – Grove Lodge, Grove Road, Knodishall

Proposed two storey extension to existing dwelling to provide sun room, study and three bedrooms.

No objections

6. EMERGENCY PLAN

Email received from Methodist Church who would be pleased to be included in the plan, also confirmation from the Village Hall. Cllr Staff hopes to be able to have a draft for next months meeting.

7. PLAY AREA

Email received from Rachel Cartwright reference a repair to the slide, this had also been reported by Mrs Mayhew and the repair had been carried out. A quote for works had been received from J Alexander. The ROSPA report for the inspection in September had not been received and the clerk is to chase.

8. KNODISHALL COMMON

The clerk had provisionally booked the Community Action team to come for 3 weeks from the 15th November, this was agreed by Council. A meeting is arranged with Susan Stone for the 2nd November to assess the work. Cllr Wigg had received a quote to remove three Willows and two Populars as per the HLS agreement £1,500 and also to pollard/re-pollard and remove dead/other Willows (approx 23) £2,300.00 a large dead Willow this side of the river is dangerous. It was proposed by Cllr Wigg and seconded by Cllr Mayhew to purchase the fire sledge, Cllr Wigg to discuss with Susan Stone on the 2nd November. A date is also to be set at the date meeting for a working party.

9. ALLOTMENTS

Mr Longley, allotment 1 had given up his allotment, this was to be offered to Mr Brewell. The Clerk had contacted Ms Coster, but had received no reply.

10. HALF YEARLY ACCOUNTS

The Clerk had prepared a statement showing the Council's actual spend against the budget. Copy with main minutes. Proposed by Cllr Read, seconded by Cllr Wigg and agreed by Council.

11. DATES

It was suggested that the meetings be kept to the third Wednesday each month apart from the December meeting. This was approved. The dates for 2016 will be:-

January 20th, February 17th, March 16th, April 20th, May 18th, June 15th, July 20th, August 17TH, September 21st, October 19th, November 16th, December 14th.

12. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr Staff had been approached by the Methodist Hall about the post and flower pot
Cllr Mayhew asked if an invoice had been received from Mr Cassidy, none had been received so a letter of thanks is to be sent, Cllr Mayhew will also lay the Wreath on Remembrance Sunday.
Cllr Read asked if any reply had been received reference cars left in the village
Cllr Lister stated that there was no solution for parking in School Road and that is was under Flagship
Cllr Kerridge asked if near the school in Judith Avenue could be 20mph Cllr Lister stated that it is not in SCC criteria. Cllr Kerridge also asked enquired about the Hi-Vis vests promised last month by SCC Cllr Smith, clerk to contact Cllr Smith.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

Ltr from Leiston Library requesting a donation, to be considered with S137 donations.
Email from SALC reference The Queen's 90th Birthday
SCDC – planning consultation documents
Email from Kate Hoare – speeding in Aldringham Lan
Ltr of Resignation from the Clerk, Clerk to advertise position.
SCDC Planning Scheme of Delegation was available for consultation.

14. FINANCIAL

The Clerk had prepared a copy of the Financial Statement showing the Council's financial position on 21st October 2015. Proposed by Cllr Wigg, seconded by Cllr Staff
The Parish Council agreed to pay the following

• Hall Hire	17.00
• H Mayhew – Wages	163.20
• J Harrison – Salary	223.70
• (PAYE – DD)	55.80
• F Masters (VAT 17.39)	104.34
• SCS Ltd (VAT 3.00)	18.00
• Leiston Press – newsletter	85.00
• Suffolk Wildlife	504.00
• Barnes	18.00

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

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Cllr Haworth-Culf had sent a comprehensive report, this was summarized and is available on the website.

Mr Lowry was concerned by the work to pollard and remove Willows and Poplars in Post Office Road, he had contacted Susan Stone of Suffolk Wildlife. He was concerned that the work would be carried out all at once leaving open areas and removing mature trees. Cllr Wigg stated that some of the work is covered by the HLS agreement and should therefore be carried out to comply with the agreement, he also reiterated that some of the trees are dangerous and needed to be removed. The cost would be reduced by the works being carried out in one go, but the Council are prepared to stagger the work if that is what the majority of parishioners require.

Mrs Cassidy asked when work to the pond would be carried out and also that she was awaiting a reply from SCDC reference the track to her property.

Mrs Fordham confirmed that the Emergency Plan had the Village Hall's full support.

