

## KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17TH OCTOBER 2023

**PRESENT:** Councillors J Mayhew (Chair), N Black, J Staff, J Clements, L Hayward, Clerk D Sanders  
SCC TJ Haworth-Culf, ESC Katie Graham and 2 Sizewell C representatives Zoe Botten, Michelle  
Emmerson-Grey

The meeting commenced at 19.30pm

**1.APOLOGIES** – None

**2.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – None

Parish Council meeting closed and chair welcomed representatives of Sizewell C to give a presentation.

**3.SIZEWELL C PRESENTATION** – Sizewell C representatives Zoe Botten and Michelle Emmerson-Grey carried out a presentation where information can be found on the Sizewell C website and the information centre.

Knodishall parish councillors did not have any questions at this time.

Sizewell C presentation was closed at 19:50 which chair thanked them for their time

Reopened to ESC Katie Graham who gave a brief report of the various energy projects within the local area and asked council if they had any opinion whereby Cllr Mayhew said there is a mixture of feelings from everybody.

Cllr Graham also mentioned that there has been a lot of complaints about the condition of the local area and has encouraged everybody to send photos of poor treatment such as fouling, fly tipping and general lack of maintenance.

It was also discussed about the wild flower regime and how Knodishall parish council can contribute, Clerk will send previous contributions to post office road however council have then decided to revert the cutting regime and look at other areas in the parish to use for wild flower, for example the common.

Parish council meeting reopened at 20:05

**4.MINUTES** – Approval of minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th September 2023 Proposed by Cllr Clements, seconded by Cllr Hayward and thus agreed by the Parish Council to accept the Minutes of the last meeting.

**5. CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING**

- The Ogilvie Family Trust would be happy for you to push ahead with getting a mains connection to the allotments, and will be pleased to provide any permissions needed. In terms of financing and submitting the application, this would have to come from Knodishall Parish Council, unfortunately.
- Clerk is collating information regarding speeding signs. Will be reported at next meeting.
- Clerk going away w/c 13<sup>th</sup> November so will not have enough time to get meeting packs out so next meeting has been agreed to take place on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

**6. PLANS** - Reviewed plans for DC/23/3319/FUL 6 Red House Cottages, The Green, Knodishall, Suffolk, IP17 1TH – Council had no comments or objections.

**7. PLAY AREA**

6.1 Councillors have not carried out any repairs since the last meeting.

6.2 Cllr Clements mentioned that there is an increase of nettles especially around the train, it was discussed to get a strimmer around the area to monitor before attempting to use any form of weedkiller.

6.3 Cllr Mayhew asked if ROSPA have carried out the report however Clerk has not heard anything as yet.

## **8. COUNCILLOR VACANCIES**

8.1 Clerk reported no applications

## **9. ALLOTMENTS**

9.1 Cllr Clements talked council through the spreadsheet and have received payment from 8 tenants via BACS however only received 3 forms, Cllr Clements to chase forms and Clerk to send reminders for payment.

9.2 Plot 10 sent a letter asking to remain following a notice of termination, it was agreed to follow this through.

9.3 Cllr Clements confirmed that Plot 11 now has tenants by offering half price due to its condition, Clerk issued letter and rules and payment has already been received.

9.4 It was agreed that if those that have not paid by the 31<sup>st</sup> October would be given notice of termination with immediate effect.

## **10. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS**

9.1 Cllr Hayward mentioned that the speed sign is not visible by school road and the knodishall sign coming into the village have disappeared, it was agreed for clerk to contact highways.

9.2 Cllr Black received a text message regarding the Lollipop lady and how some comments were made towards residents.

9.3 Cllr Clements asked if the verge that border Aldringham can be cut back as can be quite dangerous due to limited visibility.

9.4 Cllr Mayhew asked Cllr Staff to see if he can chase John bridges regarding the concrete bases for benches and also Mervyn to do a cut around the village

## **11. CORRESPONDENCE –**

10.1 Resident concerned about a structure being built has not met the planning guidelines, Clerk contacted planning and forwarded this onto the concerned resident to contact planning enforcement to investigate as nothing the parish council can do.

10.2 A church representative asked if the parish council want to be involved in the Christmas carol service on the 19<sup>th</sup> December and a councillor to be considered for a reading at the event however as this date is on the last council meeting of the year then unfortunately this couldn't be accepted.

## **12. FINANCIAL To review the current financial position and approve.**

The October 2023 financial statement was reviewed and approved. Proposed by Cllr Black and seconded by Cllr Hayward.

11.1. A total of £3011.86 for payments was approved.

## **12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING** Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Parish council meeting closed by Chair at 20:54H

No residents in attendance

