

KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER 2023

PRESENT: Councillors J Mayhew (Chair), N Black, J Staff, J Clements, L Hayward, Clerk D Sanders

The meeting commenced at 19.30pm

1.APOLOGIES – SCC TJ Haworth-Culf

2.DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None

3.MINUTES – Approval of minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15th August 2023

Proposed by Cllr Staff, seconded by Cllr Black and thus agreed by the Parish Council to accept the Minutes of the last meeting.

4. CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTERS ARISING

- The green areas can't be included in your current HLS agreement as no amendments are allowed.
- Highways have spoken with our PROW (Public Rights Of Way) team and I can confirm that the PROW team will be replacing the bridge on FP19 crossing the watercourse as shown on the extract of the definitive map below. We are still waiting to get a date from the contractor, but it will be repaired, for your information, the bridge to the south is not on a public footpath or any other maintainable highway and so the county council does not have any responsibility for it, although it does appear to have been inspected by the county council structures team in the past. We would consider it to be a privately owned bridge but we don't know who that owner would be.
- Sizewell C - will bring along a projector and screen to stream the presentation. This will provide information on the current phase of the project and answer questions relating to this, The presentation provides an overview of the project, the progress and what is happening next. I would suggest it will be useful for both parish Cllrs and the members of the community.
- Insurance renewal – £1418.12 – proposed by Cllr Staff and seconded by Cllr Hayward to proceed.
- Clerk have details for flagship to help with hillcrest road
- 20's plenty campaign
- Requested to advertise councillor vacancies, meeting times again in the parish magazine, I have also added sizewell c will be at the next meeting to allow residents the opportunity to listen.
- Clerk was informed that the magazine will be stopping soon.

5. PLANS - No plans

6. PLAY AREA

6.1 Cllr Mayhew said the new swing has been installed and a new fence.

6.2 Cllr Mayhew said we need to review the rest of the work to improve the condition of the play area.

6.3 Cllr Staff said they moved the swing forward from where the original swing, to allow for grass seeding

6.4 Cllr Staff put some hardener on some of the play equipment due to rotten posts.

7. ALLOTMENTS

7.1 Cllr Hayward, Cllr Clements and Clerk carried out another inspection of the allotments and the allotments in question was still unsatisfactory so another letter was sent out reminding them of rule 7.1 and if they didn't respond with reasons then the plots will not be renewed for the upcoming season.

7.2 Clerk received correspondences from all letters sent out apart from plot 10, it was decided that this will not be renewed and letter of eviction will be sent to them.

7.3 Councillors reviewed waiting list and Cllr Clements will make contact to see if they wish to take on the empty allotments.

7.4 Clerk put together a pack for renewals along with rules to be sent out to all plots to ask for payment and signed renewal forms, these to be sent via email or sent to Cllr Clements.

7.5 Cllr Clements mentioned the playgroup will take on plot 5, this will be free of charge.

7.6 Cllr Clements has been let down on several occasions to sort out plot 11, will ask if someone on waiting list would like to take it on at a reduced rate.

8. COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

8.1 Clerk reported no applications

8.2 Cllr Hayward posted vacancies on social media with no replies

9. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

9.1 Cllr Hayward thanked the clerk for sorting out the glass bins, Cllr Hayward also asked if the hedge could be trimmed back to allow for more room, Cllr Staff to ask Mervyn.

9.2 Cllr Black was asked by a resident to chase up highways following a report regarding pot holes and general condition of pavements – case number 00420476, clerk to investigate

9.3 Cllr Staff asked council if we would interested in a bear shaped bin for the play area, Cllr Mayhew to look at the inner liner and to have installed.

9.4 Cllr Clements declared she is related to the newly appointed CEO of east Suffolk services and should any involvement, she will declare as a matter of interest.

9.5 Cllr Clements also received a request from a Knodishall parish council employee if we could arrange a Christmas meal this year.

9.6 Cllr Mayhew notified council that the Parish cleaner was rudely spoken to by youths in the play area when asked to reinstate the swing position as they was wrapping it around the top bars.

9.7 Cllr Mayhew asked for final grass cut to be arranged.

10. CORRESPONDENCE –

10.1 Resident complaining about the speeding along school road.

10.2 Allotments pump response from a tenant.

11. FINANCIAL To review the current financial position and approve.

The September 2023 financial statement was reviewed and approved. Proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Clements.

11.1. A total of £13293.97 for payments was approved.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Tuesday 17th October 2023

Parish council meeting closed by Chair at 20:50H

