

KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 10th September 2024

PRESENT: Councillors J Mayhew (Chair), L Hayward, J Staff, N Black, Clerk D Sanders, ESC K Graham & SCC TJ Haworth-Culf

8 members of the public

The meeting commenced at 19:30

1. **APOLOGIES** – KPC Cllr Clements due to social event - approved by council.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – Nothing
3. **MINUTES** – Approval of minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th July 2024. Proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Black and thus agreed by the Parish Council to accept the Minutes of the last meeting.

Chair opened the meeting at to SCC TJ Haworth-Culf, TJ began introducing herself and to residents' attendance, also explaining reports have been sent over to the clerk and if anyone requires a copy to get in contact.

TJ mentioned about continuing to ask questions at the sizewell forums as she will be part of the sizewell c board to ask questions on behalf of the public so encourages to forward any concerns, in addition TJ is pushing to be part of the Sizewell c transport forum.

TJ also recognises increased traffic and speeding through the village and have helped purchase a SID now located on school road, whereby we can add additional 5 within the village and SCC can help fund.

A tech register can be uploaded regarding new project applications i.e where you can national grid submissions ect.

Winter payment have not been reassigned.

Clerk mentioned to TJ about school road repairs and like highways there is not much she can do however perhaps Sizewell C funding may help.

Chair kept the open for Cllr Katie Graham ESC to share her report, firstly she introduced herself as 1 of 3 district east Suffolk councillors to the residents in attendance, Cllr Graham began by briefly showing concern that residents have come together to try and tackle traffic calming measures. Cllr Graham that grants for the warm welcome scheme is now available.

There is areas under development within Leiston. Cllr Graham has sent her report over and should anyone require a copy to contact the clerk.

Cllr Haworth-Culf & Cllr Graham left at 19:47 and parish meeting reopened at 19:47

4. **CLERK'S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING**

4.1 We finally have a response regarding waste and over the past few years we have only been charged for hire and not collection. Since east suffolk services have taken over they have realised this and are now charging collection fees which are £312 for the year.

4.2 Play area will be inspected this month

4.3 External audit was complete with exception based on assets – on submission of the AGAR the assets remained the same as the previous year despite a new swing being purchased. Assets were reviewed in July.

4.4 ICO data protection/GDPR fee has been renewed – certificates uploaded on website

4.5 All audit and finances for end of year 23/24 have now been made public on the website along with notice of public rights and external/internal audits

4.6 East Suffolk Blooms – Knodishall have been successful in our application and will receive a bag of bulbs to plant in the winter, These will be a blend of native bulbs which appeal particularly to bees and butterflies.

5. PLANS – No plans

6. COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

Chair began by explain the increased traffic and speeding within the village in particular Leiston/Snape road, with best efforts of speaking to the police speed team, council feels not enough calming measure are being introduced and therefore seeing if forming a community speed watch team would be viable.

Due to a few residents in attendance concerned about this matter the chair decided to close the parish council meeting at 19:52 and open it to the residents to discuss with council.

The residents collectively discussed and expressed their concern about increased traffic and speeding through the village.

A particular question was raised as to why calming measures have not been introduced like average speed cameras, SID's zebra crossings, it was also unclear why a SID was installed on school road as opposed to Lesiton road.

The residents felt it was worth while forming a speed watch at this stage

As a conclusion it was agreed that the residents will form a traffic calming committee to discuss strategy and report back to council with clear objectives. The clerk will seek further guidance for funding and apply for grants to help with costs on further SIDS.

Council meeting reopened at 20:11

7. GRASS CUTTING

After failed attempts to contact blowers council feels the need to find another contractor.

7.1 Cllr Staff mentioned the Mervyn can cut if needs be, so it was agreed for Cllr Staff to ask to he can as we have run out of options.

7.2 Clerk to contact Friston to see who cuts their grass.

8. ANNUAL INSURANCE RENEWAL

Annual renewal was reviewed and approved by council by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Staff

9. SCHOOL ROAD REPAIRS

9.1 Clerk spoke to highways and they cannot help at all as it is a private road

9.2 Cllr Hayward will ask about If someone can sweep the road

10. QUIET LANES

10.1 Clerk heard back from highways and to enter the quiet lanes scheme will cost £3100

10.2 council agreed it wasn't the best use of money.

11. CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLORS

Resident Lisa Ford emailed and shown an interest, who was in attendance at the meeting however when asked if was still interested, Lisa felt she needed more time to take a think about it.

11.2 no other interest

12. ALLOTMENTS

12.1 Cllr Mayhew, Cllr Clements and the clerk met at the allotments on the 9th to review allotments.

12.2 it was agreed that plot 7 has made an effort to improve his plot and decided to review every 3 months.

12.3 no response from further evictees so therefore will become available to rent October 1st.

13. VILLAGE NEWS LETTER

Heard nothing further from the village hall and therefore assume no interest.

14. METHODIST CHURCH TRACK/POST

Cllr Mayhew had a report from the methodist church that the post is unstable, Cllr Mayhew have been to look at the post and it needs to be removed due to safety concerns.

15. ST ANDREW ROAD (to discuss Vehicles exiting on B1069)

a resident has written in regarding exiting from St Andrews road and discussing control measures, possible mirror opposite on the garage to see both sides of traffic.

16. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

no matters to discuss

17. CORRESPONDANCE

- A resident asking for an update on hillcrest road
- A resident reporting fly tipping at the allotments
- Residents emailing in about increased traffic and speeding along Leiston road.

18. FINANCIAL

The September 2024 financial statement was reviewed and approved. Proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Clements.

18.1 A total of £845.51 for payments was approved

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 15th October 2024

The Parish Council meeting was closed by the Chair at 20:50hrs.

