

KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Assembly Rooms, Knockin on Tuesday 7th January 2014 at 7.30

Present, Cllr Lawson, Cllr Ward, Cllr Moseley, Cllr Doyle, Cllr Keay, Cllr Donovan, Cllr Roberts
Clerk: P. O'Hagan,

3 members of the public present

1/14 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2/14 DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS

1. Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests. –

Cllr Roberts declared a bias interest on planning item 13/04637/FUL Storage Building, The Waen, Knockin.

Cllr Keay and Lawson declared a bias interest on item 7e parish grants as they are members of St Mary's PCC

2. To consider dispensation applications – none received.

3/14 Public Participation Session – a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for the public to speak on any items on the agenda (this may be extended at the discretion of the chairman)
Ian Walker from West Felton parish plan committee attended the meeting to discuss issues that Knockin Parish may share with West Felton Parish that could be incorporated into their parish plan.

4/14 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5th November 2013
RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 5.11.13 and they were duly signed as a true record.

5/14 REPORTS – RESOLVED to note the following reports

Police – The police report on recent crimes in the parish was read out and noted

Shropshire Council – Cllr Walpole read his report which included an update on budget cuts and he reported that the 2014/15 budget is being set on a zero budget basis.

A discussion took place on the 5 year land supply issue and its affect on local parishes especially West Felton and the knock on impact it could have on Knockin Parish

LJC – no report

Baschurch Fire Station closure meeting 11.12.13 – no councillor able to attend the meeting

Mid Wales connection meeting 20.12.13 – Cllr Ward attended and it was reported that a public meeting will be organised.

6/14 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Planning Items for Information –

13/01915/FUL Application under Section 73a of the Town & Country Planning Act for the

change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden land; erection of boundary wall and railings Ashford Hall Knockin SY10 8HL - appeal lodged
13/04460/LBC – Top Farm House, removal of chimney stack - granted
13/04424/TPO Lower House Farm, Knockin, SY10 8HJ Application for tree works to one Weeping Willow tree protected by Shropshire Council (Land at Lower House Farm, Knockin, Oswestry) – no objection

b) Planning matters for discussion

13/04637/FUL Storage Building, The Waen, Knockin, Change of use from B2 (general industrial) to B8 (storage and distribution) with associated alterations to form a potato store.

It was reported that the application had been approved before the parish council could discuss the application due to an error by the planning officer.

c) To consider applications received after the agenda has been sent out – none.

d) Planning Correspondence – to consider correspondence received relation to SAMDEV and the National Planning Policy framework, a discussion on this issue took place under agenda item 5 reports.

RESOLVED that the council note the correspondence

7/14

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a) Income – none

b) Outstanding Payments for Approval

RESOLVED to approve the following payment

Payee	Amount	Chq no.
Graham Taylor maintenance works	£72	10223
Penny O'Hagan Salary 1.10.13 – 31.12.13	£551.20	10224
HMRC	£137.80	10225
SLCC membership contribution	£15	10226

c) To consider other payments received after the agenda has been sent out

St Marys PCC	£200	10227
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d) Budget and precept – to approve the budget for 2014/15 and set the precept for 2014/15
The budget for 2014/15 was agreed (attached) and it was RESOLVED to set the precept for 2014/15 at £5201

e) Parish grants - To consider grant requests

RESOLVED to donate £50 Knockin broadplace project conditional that funding to cover costs of internet is achieved and that if funding is not found the grant must be returned to the Parish Council.

RESOLVED to donate £50 to Knockin Assembly rooms towards replacement Lights in the main hall.

St Mary's Church Trees. 5 Rowan trees replacement - **RESOLVED to defer the decision on this application until more information is provided.**

8/14

PARISH MATTERS

a) Road Safety Concerns – To consider any community road safety concerns to be reported to Shropshire Council in line with the road safety policy.

RESOLVED that comments submitted in September still stand with no new concerns arising.

b) Greyhound Business Park – to discuss traffic commissioners inquiry relating to the business park. - It was reported that the traffic commissioners inquiry will be held on 9.1.14.

c) Standing orders – for update.

RESOLVED to adopt model standing orders

d) Avenue trees –to discuss condition and management of Trees along The Avenue

A discussion took place on the condition of the trees as the undergrowth needs cutting back and the ivy removing from the trunks. It was AGREED to defer a decision on the work needed until May 2014.

9/14

HIGHWAYS

a) Rights of Way -To receive an update on the Parish Paths Partnership project. – no report

10/14

CORRESPONDENCE RESOLVED to note the following items

To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting

Shropshire Rural Hub November / December 2013 Newsletter

Shropshire Council

Briefing Update on Planning

Business and Enterprise External Funding Team update

Land Supply Briefing Note for Parish & Town Councils

Outdoor Recreation newsletter

Mobile Infrastructure Project (MIP) Briefing Note November 2013

Sustainable Communities Act 2007 –Invitation to Parish Councils

Shropshire Housing Group leaflet

Proposed closure of Baschurch Fire Station – meeting updates

CAB request for funds

War Memorial Trust Bulletin

Mid Wales Connection Project – update letter.

ALC updates including attitudes to neighbourhood planning survey

West Mercia PCC Letter

11/14

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – RESOLVED to note that the next meeting is on Tuesday 4th March 2014

Meeting ended 21.10