

MINUTES of a meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Assembly Rooms, Knockin on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 19.45

Present, C. Keay (Chairman), A. Hutchinson, M Lawson, D Roberts, S Edwards.

**25/17 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**RESOLVED to accept the following apologies for absence;**

M Moseley, C. Doyle

**26/17 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 – none declared.
2. To consider dispensation applications – none received.

**27/17 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12.7.17**

**RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 12.7.17 and they were duly signed by the chairman as a true record.**

**28/17 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) – none present.

**29/17 REPORTS**

Police – a report received from PC Moth was read out and noted.

Shropshire Council – Councillors asked the Clerk to request the presence of Cllr Lee at the next meeting so they could meet him following his election in May.

Other reports from councillors attending meetings or training courses on the council's behalf – none received.

**30/17 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

**a) Monthly Financial Statement** – to approve.

The Clerk presented the financial report and balances.

**RESOLVED to note the report.**

**b) Income** – to note income received

£150.86 Environmental Maintenance Grant

**RESOLVED to note income received.**

**c) Outstanding Payments for Approval**

**RESOLVED to approve the following payments;**

Payee	Amount	Chq no
Parish Clerks salary 1.7.17-30.9.17		10411

HMRC	161.60	10409
Scottish Power	25.58	10408
SALC	25.00	10410
P O'Hagan (line rental saver reimbursement)	208.80	10412

**d) To consider other invoices received after the agenda has been sent out. - none**

**31/17 a) Planning Items for Information**

17/02765/FUL Enigma, Shotatton, Ruyton Xi Towns, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY4 1JH  
 Proposal: Erection of single storey retail units, extension to existing cafe building and provision of new childrens play area with associated landscaping and parking area – refused.

17/02675/OHL West Felton Village, Phase 4 Proposal: To rebuild and divert the existing 11kv single circuit overhead line. Decision: No Objection OHL/Circular Notification

**RESOLVED to note the information items.**

**b) Planning matters for consideration -**

17/03888/TCA (validated: 07/08/2017) Lower House Farm, Knockin, Oswestry, SY10 8HJ  
 Proposal: Fell Lawson Cypress and Ash Coppice within Knockin Conservation Area

**RESOLVED not to comment.**

17/04052/FUL The Heathwaen, Kinnerley Road, Kinnerley, Oswestry, SY10 8DA  
 Proposal: Erection of partly open fronted garage/workshop building with first floor ancillary accommodation, external staircase and balcony at first floor level (Re-submission)

**RESOLVED not to comment.**

**c) To consider any planning application received after the publishing of the agenda.**

None

**32/17 Parish Matters**

**a) BT Phone Box removal -for discussion.**

It was reported that some residents had been concerned following the removal of the phone box by BT. The Clerk reported that when the matter was discussed in November 2016 no member of the public had made representations to the Parish Council about keeping the phone box and the decision was made to request its removal.

**RESOLVED to note.**

**b) Shropshire Council Parking Strategy Consultation - for consideration**

A discussion took place and it was ;

**RESOLVED to submit the following comments**

**The Parish Council is opposed to any increase in parking charges as they consider that the increased charges will be detrimental to the economic growth of the market towns.**

**c) Shropshire Council Libraries Strategy** – The draft strategy was considered and it was;

**RESOLVED not to comment on the strategy.**

**d) Transparency Grant Application** – It was reported that this application was currently in the process of being submitted.

**e) Police and Crime Commissioner** – to consider consultations relating to proposed future management of the Fire Authority.  
A discussion took place and it was;

**RESOLVED that the Parish Council objects to the plans for the PCC to manage the fire authority.**

### **33/17 HIGHWAYS**

**a) Road Safety Concerns**– To consider concerns to be submitted and to receive an update on items previously raised.

It was reported that The Safer Roads Partnership was not willing to carry out additional speed enforcement in the parish until more measures to slow down traffic had been implemented by Shropshire Council.

The Clerk presented a request that had been received from Knockin and Kinnerley Cricket Club to increase the boundary of the 30mph limit past the Cricket Club towards Kinnerley due to the number of young people using the cricket ground and the need to reduce traffic speed past the pitch

A discussion also took place on the suggestion that a pedestrian refuge be constructed in the road near the Assembly Rooms to reduce the speed of traffic through the village.

**RESOLVED to support the following concerns;**

**1. Extension of 30mph speed limit past Knockin and Kinnerley Cricket Ground.**

**2. Installation of a pedestrian refuge on the main road through Knockin to provide a safe crossing place and slow down traffic passing through the village.**

**b) St Mary Road Sign** – To consider the complaint received concerning the length of time it has taken Shropshire Council to replace the sign. The Clerk reported that following a complaint from a local resident she had been requesting that the sign be replaced for the last 6 months. It was reported that the new sign has been delivered but that Shropshire Council's highways contractors had not yet installed it which was frustrating for local residents.

**RESOLVED to note the report.**

**c) 20mph Conference** – to consider sending representative. No councillors were able to attend but Cllr Lawson agreed to pass this onto a resident concerned about speeding.

**c) Rights of Way** – for update – no update.

### **34/17 CORRESPONDENCE** -To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting – circulated via email.

**RESOLVED to note the following items**

Lamp post poppies initiative.

Crane Quality Counselling Request for donation.

**SALC reports and Training**

- Insurance for Town and Parish Councils training 29.11.17 5.30pm – 7.30pm Shirehall, Shrewsbury
- Neighbourhood and Other Plans training – 28.9.17 Shirehall, Shrewsbury
- Budgets, Year-end and Audits (Internal & External) training 16/10/17, 10.30am - 1pm Shirehall
- VAT for Town and Parish Councils training – 16.10.17pm - 4.30pm at Shirehall, Shrewsbury
- Briefing on Key Changes under General Data Protection Regulations – 8/11/17, 5.30pm - 7.30pm Shirehall,
- Councils as Employers training – 6/11/17 10am - 4pm at Shirehall,

**Voluntary Sector Assembly** event to develop plans for our Academy, Forum and Community, 22.9.17 Shropshire Education & Conference Centre (SECC), Royal Shrewsbury Hospital

**Oswestry Area Committee** will be held on 26.9.17 at 7.00 pm, Guildhall, Oswestry.

Community Tree Scheme – **RESOLVED to request a Wild Cherry Tree to replace the dead tree on Kinnerley corner. The Clerk was also asked to get quotes to remove the dead tree.**

**35/17 Meetings**

a) To note date and time of November meeting

**RESOLVED to note that the November meeting would be held on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

Meeting ended 20.22

Chairman.....