

MINUTES of a meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Assembly Rooms, Knockin on Tuesday 12th January 2010 19.30
 Present, Cllr Doyle, Cllr Lawson, Cllr Roberts (chairman), Cllr Keay, Cllr Moseley, Cllr Jones, Cllr Ward Clerk: P. O'Hagan,
 2 members of the public present. Cllr Warpole Shropshire Council

1 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

To receive declarations of personal and prejudicial interest on any item included on the agenda in accordance with Section 50-52 of the Local Government Act and The Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Order 2001.

Councillor	Interest	Declaration	Item
Cllr Roberts	Prejudicial	Rents land from applicant	134/10 09/03654/FUL
Cllr Ward	Prejudicial	Applicant	09/03426/FUL and 09/03542/LBC

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION with respect to items on the agenda or of relevance to the parish

4 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10th November 2009

Cllr Ward stated that he had declared a prejudicial interest under item planning Rolly Cottage and following this amendment it was **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes as a true record and they were duly signed.

5 REPORTS – Shropshire Council – Cllr Warpole gave a report.

Police - none

Local Joint Committee – Cllr Ward gave a report on items to be discussed at the forthcoming Local Joint Committee. A discussion took place on the proposals to not allow Parish Councils to apply for grants from the Local Joint Committee. Cllr Ward was asked to raise the concerns of the Parish Council on this issue as they feel that this rule will penalise smaller councils with low precepts.

133/10 PARISH MATTERS

a) Jubilee Chair Repair– The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Conservation Officer who was supposed to be liaising with the Bradford Estate on this issue but had no update on works. To date the Bradford Estate have reported that Shropshire Council's conservation officers were still unwilling for work to be carried out. The Clerk was asked to send information on this problem to Cllr Warpole

b) Refurbishment of Victorian lights – The Council discussed the need to refurbish the old victorian gas lights in the Parish there are 3 in total, one in Church yard, one outside old post office and one outside Ivy House (which is currently in a local shed) Cllr Jones was asked to look at the condition of the lamps and report back on any refurbishment work that he considers necessary.

c) Amenity Area play equipment –Clerk still to put article in Telescope asking for local views.

134/10 PLANNING MATTERS

a) PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR INFORMATION - none

b) CONSULTATION PERIOD EXPIRED

09/03426/FUL and 09/03542/LBC Rolly Cottage Osbaston Insertion of glazing to roof and main openings, the siting and design of solar panels, a wood store, a flue and a small annexe to house tanks, a heat pump and electricity distribution equipment, insertion of additional window and light tube, amendments to roofing material and erection of fence.

09/03455/FUL and 09/03456/LBC Knockin Hall The Avenue Knockin Part demolition of existing C21 sitting area and C20 kitchen to be replaced by new single storey domestic garage.

c) PLANNING MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

d) To consider applications received after the agenda has been sent out

09/03654/FUL – Commercial Unit The Waen – change of use from agricultural to commercial **It was RESOLVED to comment the following**

That the council object to this application as the building is an agricultural building and a warehousing use of this nature is not appropriate in the countryside.

The application does not indicate the extent to which the users may overflow the building in terms of access and parking

If permission is to be granted a condition should be put in place preventing any external storage and external lighting

e) Planning training needs – provisional date 3/2/10 Maesbrook Village Hall

135/10 PARISH COUNCIL MATTERS

a) Shropshire Charter – to discuss proposals for a charter between Shropshire council and Parish Councils. The Clerk reported that the consultation deadline for this paper is the end of March and she would email the draft consultation paper to all councillors prior to the meeting so that any comments can be put forward.

136/10 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a) Income

Interest – 0

Payments made before meeting – none

It was RESOLVED to make the following payments

Penny O'Hagan salary to 31.3.10 t.b.c

PAYE £

Knockin Assembly Rooms £12

Ian Cullup Smith Bus shelter cleaning £50

Ian Cullup Smith general maintenance £64

b) Outstanding Payments for Approval

To receive other payments received after the agenda has been sent out - none

c) Other

To consider the budget for 2010/11 and set the annual precept for 2010/11

It was RESOLVED to set the precept for 2010/11 at £4500 a rise of £150 on previous year and budget for 2010/11 was CONSIDERED and AGREED, details of which are attached.

137/10 HIGHWAYS

a) General maintenance issues - none

b) Speed limit – to discuss response from Shropshire Council on proposals to run a speed

limit campaign including installation of activated vehicle speed signs in the parish. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Alice Dilly to discuss the issues around the 40mph zone and Cllr Ward was still pursuing the local speed limit campaign and was asked to approach local landowners to see if they would allow signs on their land.

d) RIGHTS OF WAY -To receive an update on the Parish Paths Partnership project and other ROW matters. Cllr Ward presented Mrs Ward's report which stated that following a walk of the parish with a representative from Shropshire Council the problem of obstructed footpath 25 was discussed. The Clerk was asked to alert the legal department to the obstruction behind Paddock Lodge especially as the property is up for sale. Plans are also underway for circular walks linking Kinnerley and Knockin which are stile free. The problem of dog fouling in the parish was also discussed along with the need for notices encouraging people to pick up dog mess.

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CORRESPONDENCE

To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting (attached) **It was RESOLVED to note**

From	Item
SALC	Fundamentals of chairmanship skills course details Fundamentals for councillors course details North Shropshire Committee minutes Playing Field Autumn 2009 newsletter Annual Report
Shropshire Council	Rural community engagement – hubs and clusters of sustainable communities project briefing Changes to waste collection over Christmas information Register of electors information request Maintaining high quality education provision – managing the local context feedback from information evenings
Shropshire Partnership	2010- 2020 Community strategy highlights
West Mercia	Police Service 2010 and beyond information evening 14/1/10 7- 9pm Shire Hall
Jane Edwards	Thank you letter

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – 9/3/10. Meeting ended 21.12