

KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Assembly Rooms, Knockin on Tuesday 14th September 2010 at 19.30

Present, Cllr Ward, Cllr Lawson, Cllr Roberts (chairman), Cllr Doyle, Cllr Moseley
Clerk: P. O'Hagan,
Cllr Warpole, 0 Members of the public present

1 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

RESOLVED – to accept the following apology

Cllr Keay – holiday

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 – none declared

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION with respect to items on the agenda or of relevance to the parish - none

4 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Tuesday 13th July and Thursday 26th August 2010

RESOLVED to agree the minutes of the 13/7 and 26/8 and they were duly signed as a true record

5 REPORTS –

Shropshire Council – Cllr Warpole gave his report which included an update on the proposed financial cuts across all service areas.

Police - none

Local Joint Committee – Cllr Ward gave his report and stated that the next meeting will be held at the end of September. A discussion took place on the future of the LJC and the council agreed that the status quo should remain.

163/10 PARISH MATTERS

- a) Jubilee Chair Repair– Clerk reported that James Squier has requested that a meeting be held in the New Year as he has arranged for some pointing work to be carried out on the walls to prevent further frost damage.

RESOLVED that the Clerk writes expressing the concerns of the council to Ruth Hitchins Conservation Officer at Shropshire Council and ask that she will attend either a meeting or a site meeting to discuss the issue so that long term repairs can be made.

164/10 PLANNING MATTERS

a) PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS FOR INFORMATION

10/02836/FUL Paddock Lodge Kinnerley Road Kinnerley Shropshire SY10 8DB Change of use of paddock for the siting of 9 holiday chalets with associated works – pending decision

b) PLANNING MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

09/01552/FUL – Ivy House Farm – to discuss need for replacement of the wall.

This was discussed and concern was raised about the metal fences that had been put up following the demolition of the wall. As no condition was put on the planning permission stating the timescale in which the new wall was to be erected the fence could stay up for a long time. Councillors felt that the area is now an eyesore especially as it is in the middle of the conservation area. The issue was also raised of people living in caravans without permission on and near the site. Following further discussion it was

RESOLVED that the Clerk write to Edwina Smart at the planning department expressing the concerns of the Parish Council over the failure of Shropshire Council to ensure that the character of the conservation area has been protected.

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

d) Core Strategy Development Plan Document and Statement of Community Involvement for Shropshire, Draft Document for consultation – for update on next stages of the core strategy and to consider draft statement of community involvement.

The Clerk reported that the Core Strategy Development plan has now been submitted to government and that a preferred options for the site allocations would take place during 2011. She also reported that a consultation on the Statement of Community Involvement for Shropshire had been sent out and that details would be circulated by email so that councillors could submit individual comments if they wished.

e) Shropshire Council Development Management – future consultation on planning application – It was reported that the Clerk had received a letter asking whether the council wished to continue receiving paper copies of plans. A response had been submitted stating that the council must continue to receive paper copies as they did not have the equipment to use a projector.

165/10 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a) Income

VAT £165

Shropshire Council grasscutting rebate £60

b) Outstanding Payments for Approval

RESOLVED to make the following payments

Mazars LLP £141

Ian Cullep Smith Parish maintenance £88

Penny O'Hagan salary July – 30th September £498.74
HMRC - £124.60
Knockin Assembly Rooms room hire 14/9/10 and 26/8/10 £28

To receive other payments received after the agenda has been sent out

c) 6 month budget review – for consideration. The 6 month budget review was considered and it was

RESOLVED to note

d) Annual Return – to consider External Auditors certification and opinion on 2009/10 accounts - The clerk reported that she had received a completed certificate of the annual return and that this would be displayed on the notice board.

RESOLVED to note

e) Parish Council Grants – to consider requests for grants from organisations. Clerk reported on the applications that she had received. A discussion took place on the application by Knockin Tea Club for a contribution towards the cost of a new cooker.

Cllr Ward proposed that an award of £100 be awarded to Knockin Lunch Club - following a vote

RESOLVED that £100 be awarded to Knockin Tea Club

Cllr Doyle left the meeting 20.40

166/10 HIGHWAYS

- a) Speed Visor – to discuss results of Shropshire Council's recent speed testing– It was reported that following the speed investigations
The following results were recorded by Shropshire Council
Within 40mph limit (Wolfshead end of village) Average speeds were 41/43mph respectively = combined average 42mph which means that the parish council would be eligible for 50% Shropshire Council contribution to funding for the purchase of a visor

Within 30mph limit (near Jubilee Chair)

Average speeds are 36/32mph respectively = combined average 34mph (50% Shropshire Council and 50% Parish Council which means that the council would be eligible for 50% Shropshire Council contribution to funding for the purchase of a visor. Following a discussion on these costs in was AGREED that Cllr Ward would raise the issue at the next Local Joint Committee with the suggestion that the committee purchases a visor for the use of the committee area.

- b) Speed limit signs – Cllr Ward reported that he is awaiting quotes following a discussion it was AGREED to defer a decision on this until the outcome of the speed visor is known as there is a danger of the village becoming cluttered with too many

signs.

c) RIGHTS OF WAY -To receive an update on the Parish Paths Partnership project and other ROW matters. Cllr Ward presented a report from the parish paths partnership representative Clerk reported that she had received a user survey which was passed to Mrs Ward

167/10 CORRESPONDENCE

To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting

RESOLVED to note

Shropshire Council

Working with communities on planning and regeneration – introduction to rural toolkit community engagement initiative

Consultation on draft Shropshire Parking Strategy

Code of Conduct training 15/9/10 Council Chamber the Guildhall, Oswestry

ALC

Training Law and Procedures - 21st September Shire Hall

Budgets and Precept Setting - 28th September Shire Hall

Power of Well Being - 12th October Shire Hall

AGM Papers – to nominate representative to attend

Local Transport Plan consultation event 9/9/10

Developing Times – local needs affordable housing document (via email)

Knockin Assembly Rooms

Notification of hire fee increase

West Mercia Police Authority – Introductory letter

Vitalise, CAB and No Panic – request for donations

No need for nuclear – campaign material

168/10 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – 9th November 2010.