

KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Assembly Rooms, Knockin on Tuesday 10th January 2012 at 19.30

Present, Cllr Roberts (chairman), Cllr Doyle, Cllr Moseley, Cllr Keay, Cllr Lawson
Clerk: P. O'Hagan.

0 members of the public present

219/12 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Ward

Cllr Jones

RESOLVED that the apologies be accepted.

220/12 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

221/12 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION with respect to items on the agenda or of relevance to the parish.

None present

222/12 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 8th November 2011

RESOLVED to agree the minutes of the 8/11/11 and they were duly signed as a true record

223/12 REPORTS –

Shropshire Council - none

Police,

Local Joint Committee – meeting Cllr Lawson to attend planning meeting on 17/1/12. It was AGREED to send a letter of support to the committee for St Mary's application to repair the church wall.

Oswestry ALC meeting 15/12/11- The Clerk reported that Cllr Ward and herself attended this meeting which included a presentation on the local development framework and the place plan review.

Clerks and Chairman's meeting 4/1/12. – The Clerk reported on this meeting that was held on 4/1/12 which included a presentation on the Community Development workers.

224/12 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Planning Application decisions for Information – none

b) Planning matters for discussion - None at time of printing the agenda

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

12/00100/TCA Lower House Farm, Knockin, SY10 8HJ Fell a Weeping Willow tree within Knockin Conservation Area

RESOLVED not to comment

11/05720/LBC Hempyards, Knockin Installation of solar control blind over northern part of skylight, installation of solar PV array to car port roof.

RESOLVED not to comment

d) Delivering Local Priorities through Partnership Working – to agree comments to submit for the Annual Place Plan review.

The following comments were AGREED

Delivery Framework

1. Are the infrastructure and investment needs/schemes identified in the Place Plan correct and complete? If not, what needs changing or adding?

A discussion took place on whether there was a need to identify the development of a grant scheme to enable landowners to repair stone walls in the conservation area. However it was agreed not to pursue this suggestion.

Amendments to the listed investment needs/schemes:

1. Purchase or lease of a community amenity area with play equipment in Knockin.
2. Traffic calming measures throughout the village centre along the B4396.
3. Creation of a formal crossing area to enable residents from the Church Road side of the village to access facilities including the shop, pub and village hall.
4. Affordability and a good mix of size and type of housing is needed.
5. Improvements to the Assembly Rooms to upgrade facilities when required.
6. improve broadband speed in parish – this was added

2. Do these identified infrastructure and investment needs have the right level of prioritisation (Critical, Priority or Key)?

Amendments to prioritisation of listed schemes:

1. Purchase or lease of a community amenity area with play equipment in Knockin. - *Critical*
2. Traffic calming measures throughout the village centre along the B4396. Including permanent installation of 2 vehicle activated signs- *Critical*
3. Creation of a formal crossing area to enable residents from the Church Road side of the village to access facilities including the shop, pub and village hall. *Critical*
4. Affordability and a good mix of size and type of housing is needed. - *key*
5. Improvements to the Assembly Rooms to upgrade facilities when required. – *key*
6. Broadband speed improvement - *priority*

3. How can the community benefits resulting from future development assist in delivering the longer term aspirations for your area?

The Parish Council consider that carefully managed development in the right location with a

good mix of housing will enable Knockin to become a sustainable community in the future

e) Options put forward for development in Knockin by the Bradford estate – to consider correspondence on this issue. The Clerk read the letter from the Bradford Estate which included a CD containing the site investigations that had already been carried out on the 2 sites they were proposing for development. It was AGREED to circulate the DVD

f) Parish Council protocol for pre planning application discussions – to consider adopting a protocol on this issue. The Clerk circulated a draft protocol and it was AGREED to consider the document in full at the March meeting.

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FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a) Income - none

b) Outstanding Payments for Approval

RESOLVED to make the following payments

Payee	Amount
Knockin assembly Room Hire	£14
P O'Hagan Salary to 31.12.11	
HMRC	

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

None

d) to consider 3rd quarter budget report

The 3rd quarter budget report was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to accept the budget report

e) To agree budget for 2012/13 and set parish precept

The budget for 2012/13 was AGREED (appendix A) and it was **RESOLVED** to set the parish precept for 2012/13 at £5000

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PARISH MATTERS

a) Knockin Heath Business Park– The Clerk reported that the concrete business no longer seemed to be operating from the park; however complaints were continuing about noise. It was AGREED to continue to monitor the situation and obtain an update from planning on the problems at the site.

b) New Footway between Rolly Lane and the Pound – It was reported that Shropshire Council had looked at this proposal in the past and that it was not viable because there is nowhere safe to put a footway without undermining the bank.

c) SALC membership survey – The survey was considered and returned to SALC

d) Cardboard Recycling – to consider an offer from a skip company to place a cardboard recycling skip in the Parish. It was AGREED not to pursue this offer as there was no one available to lock the skip each night and that the location of the skip behind the Assembly Rooms could encourage fly tipping.

e) Shropshire Council communications survey – The survey was considered and a response was compiled requesting that all formal consultations are still sent via hard copy.

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HIGHWAYS

a) Parish Speed Visor – to consider the proposed timetable for location of the sign. The new

timetable which places the visor in Knockin during the main holiday periods was considered and It was AGREED that the timetable was acceptable to the council.

b) Rights of Way -To receive an update on the Parish Paths Partnership project. It was reported that the annual rights of way survey had been received and that it would be forward to Mrs Ward for her comments.

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CORRESPONDENCE

To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting

RESOLVED to note the following items

Shropshire Council –

Notification of integration of key services

Parish Council Communications Survey

Localism – standards and the member code of conduct guidance note

Summary of the North West Town and Parish Councils meeting

Register of electors

LJC meeting dates

Stakeholder letter Post 16 education Transport assistance for entitled Shropshire Students – consultation on arrangements for September 2012

Highways Agency liaison meeting minutes 18/10/11

Environment Agency – consultation on designation of High Risk Reservoirs

Shropshire Association of Local Councils (SALC) – weekly e bulletins

News update 25.11.11 and NALC DIS 772

e bulletin and information bulletin and Parish Pump

NALC employment briefing E07-11 which confirms that Part VI of the Local Government (Discretionary Payments) Regulations 1996 will be revoked on 16 January 2012.

National Grid – copy of the briefing given out and summary of questions/ responses at the event held for Shropshire Parish Councils

Clerks and Councils Direct – November

Citizens Advice Shropshire – letter requesting support

Marie Curie Cancer Care – request for donation

CPRE – planning explained booklet

Clerks and Councils Direct – November

Local Council Review - winter

Shropshire Playing Field association – membership letter

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DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING - for agreement - **Next meeting 13/3/12**