

KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held in the Assembly Rooms, Knockin on Tuesday 4th March 2014 at 7.30

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

3 members of the public present

12/14 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Roberts

13/14 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 Donovan declared an interest on agenda item 14/00777/TCA - 8 St. Marys Close, Knockin as he is the applicant.

2. To consider dispensation applications – none received.

14/14 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)

None present

15/14 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7th January 2014

RESOLVED to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 7.1.14 and they were duly signed as a true record.

16/14 REPORTS –

Police – CSO Charlie Iremonger reported on recent crimes in the parish which included speeding
Shropshire Council – Cllr Walpole gave his report on activities at Shropshire Council including recent budget cuts and council tax rates

LJC 11.2.14 – Cllr Lawson reported on the meeting held and it was reported that there will not be any more grants available.

Pylon meeting 24.1.14 – Cllr Walpole reported that over 200 people attended the meeting and it was a very useful. A discussion took place on compensation for properties whose value has been blighted by the proposed power line

17/14 PLANNING MATTERS

a) Planning Notifications – To consider the following planning decisions - RESOLVED to note the following planning decisions

1) 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 refused

2) 13/04460/LBC – Top Farm House, removal of chimney stack - granted

- 3) 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
- 4) 14/00285/FUL Erection of machinery storage shed Osbaston Farm Knockin SY10 8HS – no comments. Cllr Ward highlighted the need for more dimensions on plans submitted and that the planning authority should ensure that plans include dimensions when validated to make it easier to understand.
- 5) 13/02028/REF Change of use of paddock for the siting of 4 holiday chalets; formation of vehicular access/estate roads; installation of sewage treatment plant Paddock Lodge Kinnerley Road Kinnerley SY10 8DB - Status: Appeal allowed.

b) Planning applications for discussion

Cllr Donovan left the room and took no part in discussions.

- 1) 14/00777/TCA - 8 St. Marys Close, Knockin, SY10 8GY Reduce by 20% one Ash tree within Knockin Conservation Area **RESOLVED to comment that officers should request that annotated photos are also submitted alongside the application to show the area intended to be cut prior to approval being given.**

Cllr Donovan returned to the room.

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

d) Planning Correspondence – to consider correspondence and training received relating to SAMDEV - It was reported that Cllr Ward attended the community infrastructure levy training on 3.3.14 a discussion took place on the National planning policy framework and its impact on parishes.

RESOLVED that letters to be sent to Shropshire council and Owen Patterson making representations about the impact of the NNPF on parishes in Shropshire

18/14 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a) Income – none

b) Outstanding Payments for Approval

RESOLVED to make the following payments

Payee	Chq number	Amount
Councillor Training	10229	£10
Clerks Expenses	10232	£84.57
Penny O'Hagan Salary 1.1.14 – 31.3.14	10230	
HMRC	10231	

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

None – it was AGREED to authorise that outstanding payments for the bus shelter cleaning and streetlighting electricity to be paid prior to the 31.3.14.

d) Parish grants - To consider grant requests for St Mary's Church Trees (deferred from January) - As the work has been completed it was reported that the grant is no longer required.

19/14 PARISH MATTERS

a) Corbet School – to consider request from the chairman of Governors to send a representative to a meeting to improve links between Parish Councils and The Corbet School.

RESOLVED the clerk to attend the meeting and report back to the May meeting.

b) Environmental Maintenance Grant application for 2014/15 – to consider applying for grant

RESOLVED to apply for a grant of £100 for 2014/15

c) Tree planting in the parish – it was reported that 10 trees have been planted in the parish. A discussion took place on additional planting on parish verges and Cllr Ward volunteered to draw up a scheme of planting for consideration by the parish council at the May meeting.

Cllr Doyle left the meeting at 20.45 giving no reason.

20/14 HIGHWAYS

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

b) Morton Bridge –for update on damage. It was reported that the bridge is due to be repaired in early summer and will be closed for 2-3 weeks **RESOLVED to note**

21/14 CORRESPONDENCE

To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting

RESOLVED to note the following items

Shropshire Rural Hub January Newsletter

Shropshire Council

Notification of reclassification of 86 roads as Traffic Sensitive & Strategically Significant Street

Grant request Marie Curie Cancer Care

Shropshire Health & Wellbeing E-News for January 14.

Baschurch PC – update on Fire Station closure

Correspondence relating to Shropshire Hospital Services reconfiguration - Cllr David Sandbach

Westbury Parish Council

Mid Wales Connection Project – Community update

22/14 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – to note **RESOLVED to note next meeting held on 6.5.14 meeting ended at 20.50**