

MINUTES of an Ordinary Meeting of **KNOCKIN PARISH COUNCIL** held virtually via the Zoom meeting platform on Tuesday 8th September 2020 at 19.45.

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

1 member of the public present.

27/20 TO ACCEPT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None declared

28/20 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 Keay declared a bias interest under item 35d/20 as he is a resident affected by the road naming.

2. To consider dispensation applications – none received.

29/20 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14.7.20

RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 14.7.20 and they were duly signed as a true record.

30/20 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)

A member of the public raised the following issues

1. That they were willing to volunteer for the community speedwatch initiative.
2. The new Homestead Gardens sign has caused confusion and is misleading for residents whose address is Kinnerley Road. There has been no consultation with neighbouring residents and this type of sign is out of keeping with the area and more suited to an urban environment so can this matter be raised with Shropshire Council.

31/20 REPORTS

Police - none

Shropshire Council - none

Other reports from councillors and Clerk attending meetings or training courses on the council's behalf – it was reported that an Oswestry Area Committee is due to be held in September via zoom.

32/20 PLANNING

a) Planning Items for Information - none at time of publishing

b) Planning matters for consideration – none at time of publishing

c) To consider any planning application received after the publishing of the agenda – none received

d) Reg 18 pre-submission draft local plan consultation – to consider response

Councillors expressed disappointment that the comments previously submitted in January 2019 had not been taken into consideration in the draft. Following a discussion it was;

RESOLVED to submit the same comments as submitted in January 2019

Knockin Parish Council does not agree there should be any further development in the parish until the continuing road safety concerns along the B4396 are addressed to the satisfaction of the local community and Parish Council.

- The development Boundary should not be changed.
- In relation to site KCK009 that Parish Council considers that this site is not suitable for development as it is low lying and prone to flooding. In addition to this there concerns over how the sewage from the proposed development will be managed. Whilst there is no proposed access from the site to the main road shown on the plans the Parish Council are unconvinced that this site can achieve a safe means of access onto the B4396 as the 2 potential accesses to the site lack of visibility splays and will have a detrimental impact on neighbouring properties.

e) Changes to the planning system NALC Consultation – to consider response

RESOLVED not to respond to the consultation as the Parish Council does not feel it has the technical expertise in this area to comment on such a detailed consultation

33/20 FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

a) Financial Statement– to approve

RESOLVED to note

b) Income – none to date

c) Outstanding Payments for Approval

RESOLVED to approve the following payments

Payee	Amount	Chq no
P O'Hagan Salary 1.7.20 -30.9.20		10492
HMRC	£180.40	10493

d) To consider other invoices received after the agenda has been sent out.

RESOLVED to approve the following payment

Payee	Amount	Chq no
P O'Hagan reimbursement BT phone line rental	219.84	10494

e) Annual Governance and Accountability return 2019-20 – to note that the period for the exercise of electors rights had been completed and advertised in line with the regulations.

RESOLVED to note that the period for the exercise of electors rights had been completed and advertised in line with the regulations

34/20 Parish Matters

a) Police and Crime Commissioner Survey – for consideration

RESOLVED to delegate authority to the Clerk to respond to the survey

b) Avenue Flooding and capacity of storm drains – for discussion

It was reported that flooding has continued in the dip in The Avenue and that the work carried out was inadequate as in the recent flooding cars were stranded in the floodwater.

RESOLVED to report this issue to Shropshire Council

c) Face to face meetings – to consider NALC guidance

RESOLVED to maintain meetings on zoom until further notice.

35/20 HIGHWAYS

a) VAS Location – to discuss

The Clerk reported that she had had a meeting with Shropshire Council to look at the location of a possible VAS at the Rolly Farm end of the village and it was possible to place one with a feed of the lamppost adjacent to Rolly Lane. The VAS could then be installed between the lampposts. A general discussion took place and Councillors stated that they would wish to see entrance gates at this end of the village as well.

RESOLVED that

- **the Clerk obtains a quote for the purchase and installation of a VAS unit**
- **Councillors consider the location selected by Shropshire Council before the next meeting.**
- **The Clerk discuss whether there is space for an entrance gate at this end of the village as well**

b) CIL Local Application – for update

A discussion took place on this item and the Clerk reported that the Parish Council had been unsuccessful in its application for a pedestrian refuge to be built as it had not committed any neighbourhood fund monies to the project. The Clerk explained that the reason behind this was that when the CIL application was submitted in November 2019 the Parish Council had a very small amount of Neighbourhood Fund so was unable to commit funds to this project.

RESOLVED to respond to Shropshire Council that The Parish Council is very keen to progress this project as it is needed in the parish. The Council is willing to allocate some Neighbourhood Fund monies to this project but is unable to commit to an actual figure until the Parish Council is informed how much the project will cost.

c) Outstanding Highways Issues – for update

It was reported that the potholes have been fixed and that it was hoped that the whitelines along The Avenue will be installed when the whole area is re lined after the recent surface dressing works.

d) Road Names in Parish – to discuss

Cllr Keay left the meeting and did not take part in discussions.

Councillors considered a complaint received from residents of Kinnerley Road whose access is now part of the newly named Homestead Gardens. Whilst residents do not object to the name of the road it was causing problems for residents off the same access track as the new properties as their address is Kinnerley Road

RESOLVED that the Clerk would raise this problem with Shropshire Council and suggest the addition of the words Leading to which would solve the problem.

36/20 CORRESPONDENCE -To consider list of correspondence received since last meeting (item b circulated via email)

RESOLVED to receive the following items

- a) Lord Lieutenant letter
- b) SALC/NALC – updates
- c) Fire Authority Consultation - for consideration

37/20 MEETINGS

- a) To note date and time of November meeting

RESOLVED to note that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th November start time tbc

Meeting ended 20.35