

Knapton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 4th November, 2008 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

Present: Alan Young (in the chair), Clyte Venvell, Norman Dodd, Sally Dodd, Karen Herbert-Okey, Peter Kaye, Bea Gatfield, and 1 member of the public.

District Councillor: Graham Jones

1. Apologies:

Wyndham Northam.

2. Register of Interests:

Clyte Venvell (Griffon Area Partnership), Norman & Sally Dodd (MADRA), Karen Herbert-Okey (Homewatch and Police Liaison), Peter Kaye (Planning Liaison and Pigneys Wood), Bea Gatfield (Planning proposal).

3. Minutes of Last Meeting:

It was proposed by Sally Dodd and seconded by Clyte Venvell that the minutes of the last meeting be adopted. This was carried.

4. Matters arising:

Planning

The Clerk reported that he had consulted with NNDC Planning and the access to Hall Lane from the house adjacent the Village Hall (Henry's old house), did not contravene any planning regulations.

MADRA hedge

Karen Herbert Okey and Sally Dodd presented their finding regarding the upkeep of the hedges bordering MADRA. The Clerk was tasked with contacting MADRA to consult them over the upkeep/maintenance of the hedge bordering the gardens of the houses in School Close.

Action: Parish Clerk

War Memorial

The Clerk reported that he was awaiting some information from the Legion Chaplain and would report back at the next meeting.

Action: Parish Clerk

Speeding traffic (in The Street)

The Clerk undertook to consult Highways about this and inform the Neighbourhood Police team.

Action: The Clerk

Freedom of Information act (FOI)

The Clerk outlined the latest proposals from government. This was carried over until the next meeting.

Action: The Clerk

5. Financial Report:

The Clerk reported that the balances in the deposit and current accounts with Lloyds TSB as on September 5th, 2008, were £*** and £**** respectively.

It was proposed by Sally Dodd and seconded by Clyte Venvell that the invoice covering the Clerks remuneration be accepted. This was carried.

6. Planning:

Planning Ref 20081509 Erection of garage/garden store at Highbank house (The Street) was discussed and it was proposed Clyte Venvell and seconded by Peter Kaye that no objection be raised. The was carried.

7. Correspondence:

Dealt with under previous headings.

8. Village Matters:

Grant Funding

This was discussed briefly; with Peter Kaye saying that he was meeting with someone shortly he might be able to assist the Council with any future application. This was held over.

Action: Vice Chairman

Boundary Commission

Held over to the next meeting.

Joint area conference

This was discussed briefly and no councillors present expressed a wish to attend.

Reports:

Councillor Jones

Graham Jones spoke to all present about:

- Boundary Commission report.
- Money invested in Iceland.
- Cromer Pier – in need of refurbishment.

Graham once again complimented the Village on its Newsletter and praised the editor (Tricia Doidge).

GAP (Clyte Venvell)

Clyte Venvell updated the Council on the recent AGM which she had attended. After discussion it was decided to invite the Chair of GAP to come and address the Council at a suitably convenient time in the future.

Action: Parish Clerk

Clyte Venvell, stated that comments had been made regarding the fact that some brambles were sticking through the wall surrounding the churchyard and were a hazard. The Clerk undertook to have a word with the Church Warden.

Footpaths (Norman Dodd)

Norman stated that he had seen Paul Ryan and the footpaths were being addressed.

Web (Norman Dodd)

Progress was no being made. Karen Herbert-Okey volunteered to supply some contact details for the Police to go on the website.

Pigneys Wood (Peter Kaye)

Peter stated that a meeting was soon to be held with a consultant who had been involved in successful lottery grant applications.

Youth Club (Bea Gatfield)

Bea stated that the Youth Club was coming on very well and there had been good feedback.

MADRA (Sally Dodd)

Sally reminded al present of the forthcoming Bonfire Night and Fireworks. Sadly it was also reported that there had been some more mindless vandalism experienced on the site.

The next meeting of the parish council will take place on Tuesday, November 4th 2008 in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 9.10 pm.

Signed _____ Alan Young (Chairman Knapton
Parish Council)