KNEESALL, KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

18 AUGUST 2020

Present: T Kirk (Chair), C Cutts, P Davies, Mrs E Fidler, Ms M Lissaman & Mrs Wingfield

County Councillor B Laughton & District Councillor Mrs S Michael

1. Apologies: R Taylor & B Allebon

2. Public Participation: B Wingfield

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: - 3 March 2020 - Were Approved

T Kirk/P Davies

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes: Due to the current Coronavirus situation a number of items on the previous Minutes were retained for further action at a later date.

Aging Population – Invite Mr Gary to a later meeting.

75th **VE Day Anniversary Celebrations** – A number of socially distanced outdoor functions had taken place in the Village.

It's 30 for a Reason Signs – A number have been put up on Ossington Road but not on the A616. They don appear to have made much difference to the speeding vehicles on Ossington Road.

Red 'Phone Boxes – Cllr Davies advised he'd painted the Ompton Box but as Cllr Taylor wasn't in attendance it wasn't known whether the Kersall Box had also been painted. **Gateway Signs** – Cllr Lissaman advised that models of the signs were being created and that a suitable "Strap Line" was required. Suggested & accepted was "**Slow Down, Enjoy Our Village**"

Flooding (Ompton) – Notts CC (Ross Marshall) is going visit Flash Lane and "walk" the area with Cllr Davies this despite problem areas in the drainage being previously highlighted. Cllr Davies advised that he had applied for a grant of £5K and he had already paid out £500 towards the costs involved.

Overgrown Pavement Vegetation – Clerk will contact Via Notts CC.

Baulk Lane & Flash Lane (Ompton) – The lane continues to deteriorate as the pot holes increase despite a small amount of poor-quality filling at the beginning of Baulk Lane. A Kneesall resident – **Mrs June Fores** – fell and broke her glasses as well as injuring herself. Cllr Davies advised that Flash Lane is in an exceeding poor state of repair and is constantly under water. There are stables at the end of Flash Lane with a steady traffic of horse boxes with horses on board being moved in and out with risk of the animals being injured as a result of the poor road surface.

St Bartholomew's Bells - No progress. Retained for further action when Cllr Allebon is available.

Defibrillator Ompton – Suggested investigating being sited in the phone box on Flash Lane.

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Community First Aiders – Due to CVID-19 situation no action taken but will review when the situation changes.

Flood Warden Community Schemes – Cllr Davies was "volunteered" T Kirk/E Fidler

5. Declaration of Interest: None

- **6. Correspondence:** Since the last meeting on 3 March 2020 numerous e-mails have been received and have been circulated to Councillors.
- **11/05** "It's 30 for a reason" Cllr Wingfield Advised of a response M Keeling but signs have now been put up on Ossington Road but none on the A616.
- 11/05 NSDC (Ben Stacey) overgrowing vegetation on pavements.
- **30/06** NALC Village Hall guidance reminder of necessary safeguards.
- **06/08** NSDC Planning Applications 20/01465/Housing & 20/01466/Housing 10 & 11 Elmtree Rise, Kneesall **No Objections.**
- **10/08** Via E Midlands/Notts CC Overhanging Elmtree branches at junction of Elmtree Rise/ Ossington Road & St Bartholomew's church overhanging A616. **Quote received from Maplebeck Tree Care (Edward Andrew) £300.** As Kneesall is in a conservation area a planning application will have to be submitted to Newark & Sherwood DC.
- **14/08** NSDC Planning Application 20/01500/HRN Park Farm, Brick Yard Lane, Kneesall hedge removal & replant with hawthorn **No Objections**

Out

M Cunliffe – PC Website Information & costs involved in setting up & running a standalone website for the PC to comply with the government instruction. Approved – T Kirk/E Fidler CC B Laughton – Condolences on unexpected death of his wife.

7. Finance: Eon Power – Kersall & Ompton Ph Boxes £55.07

BHIB – Public Liability Insurance £334.58

Newark & Sherwood DC – Election Expenses £167.97 Clerk Fees – April, May, June, July & August £208.32

Postage - £1.30

Approved – T Kirk/E Fidler

- 8. Annual Accounts: Annual Accounts Year End 31 March 2020
 Approved E Fidler/C Cutts
- 9. Local Improvement Grant, Gateway Signs See earlier comments.
- **10. Speed Gun Training** Further volunteers are available to have training and efforts will be made to contact PC Deborah Bacon to conduct the training.

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11. County Councillor B Laughton: Advised that this was the first live meeting that he had attended and thanked the PC for their condolences following the recent loss of his wife.

There has been number of COVID-19 cases at a factory in Worksop and would appear to be the result of employees car sharing and in some instances accommodation sharing. The situation is being monitored He advised that due to the lock down situation his department had funds available for specific purposes. Contact - sarah.ashton@nottscc.gov.uk An application to be made for the Tree Work on Elmtree/Ossington Rd Junction & the Churchyard for £400. Also, for £500 in respect of the flooding of Flash Lane at Ompton.

12. District Councillor Mrs S Michael: Advised that NSDC had provide a number of grants to assist those struggling in the current COVID -19 situation.

NSDC Staff – have been working from home answering phone calls on long shifts whilst Police & community workers have been working within the communities. **Insp H Sutton** – Mrs Michael advised keeping in touch with the Inspector as she is doing a good job. PC Deborah Bacon is now the officer for our area having replaced the PCSO recently.

NSDC – seeking government funding to improve the road access into Newark. **COVID-19** – Bakkavor Factory have tested half their work force with approximately 70 positives tests. Part of the problem arises from people car sharing and, in some instances, sharing accommodation.

13. Chairman's Comments – Requested that contact be made with Via East Midlands regarding the increasing vegetation on the Village pavements.

Contact Thoresby Estate – Nick Brown – regarding Main Street, Farm.

14. Other Matters -

Clir Cutts asked CC Laughton if it was likely that the 50mph speed limit from Kneesall to South Muskham could be restored to 60 mph. he was advised that it was exceedingly unlikely that be restored.

Clir Cutts asked about the pothole repair machine "all singing, all dancing 2 man operating" that the PC had been told about 18 months ago but hadn't been seen. Apparently, it was used on Ossington Road in May this year.

15. Next Meeting: 3 November 2020

Meeting Closed 8.45 pm