

KNEESALL, OMPTON & KERSALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting

27 October 2015

Present: T Kirk (Chairman), R Taylor (V Chairman), P Davies, D Yeardley, C Cutts
B Laughton (C.C)

Apologies: L Fidler, B Allebon, A Corlett & S Michaels (D.C)

Minutes of the previous Meeting: Approved T Kirk/R Taylor

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

1. **Broadband** - Little change. Can contact Nicola McCoy-Brown (Notts CC I/C Notts Broadband) for updated information (0115 977 2580)
2. **Speed Restrictions School Lane** - sign only no lights
3. **Wind Turbines** - No response yet (Brian Allebon)
4. **Kneesall Knatter** - Meeting not yet arranged with Richard Lawrence
5. **Declaration of Interest** - All councillors have now completed the necessary forms which have been returned to Newark & Sherwood DC

Public Participation - No public present

Correspondence – Received:

1. **Newark & Sherwood DC** - Planning approval granted for both projects at Fortune Farm under Reference 15/01453/FUL & 15/01454/FUL
2. **Acer Grounds Maintenance** – Request to be allowed to quote for ground maintenance. Clerk will ask them to quote.
3. **Community Green Space Grants** – Suggested that this may of interest to Adam Whitchurch – Chairman of the management committee for The Bill Hemsley Community Centre
4. **Rural Broadband** – Little change,
5. **Election of Representative smaller Councils Committee** – No nominees
6. **Newark & SDC** – Local Development Framework Plan Review – 40+ pages contact Clerk to access the document.
7. **Notts CC** – Supporting Local Communities Fund. Details forwarded to Mrs Annemarie Henham as she had indicated an interest in pursuing the restoration of the War Memorial.
8. **NALC Budget Seminar** – Monday 9 November 2015. The Clerk will attend. Cost £25

Correspondence – Out:

1. **Rachael Rickell** regarding pots on Baulk Lane
2. **Thurgarton Parish Council** – Request for information regarding the setting up of websites

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Finance:

1. **Town & Country** – Grass cutting £331.20
2. **Clerk's Fee & Expenses** - £94.86
3. **NALC Budget Seminar** - £25

Approved T Kirk/D Yeardley

Chairman's Comments:

1. **Parish Council Vacancy** – The Chairman will approach Merrinda Lissaman.
2. **Baulk Lane Potholes** – Some remedial work has been carried out but on a very hutch pot manner. A telephone call had been received from Mike Keeling, Notts CC Highways Division advising that although the Lane is officially designated "poor" any major improvement work is considered unlikely in the near future. However, regular complaints may speed up the process!

Update on Village Plan - Alan Corlett had been unable to attend the meeting to expand upon the project.

Councillor Bruce Loughton – Advised that a considerable amount of work had been undertaken to improve the drainage in the area around Ompton which has resulted in a drop in water levels of around a metre.

"Transparency" – It would appear that under the guise of more open government – Transparency – that likely that Parish Councils will, at some stage, be required to have a website that is accessible to the public. There would be possible set up costs as well as running costs. The Kneesall Village Committee have a website which is up and running and it was suggested that it may be possible for the Parish Council to be linked to that website which would seem to be a sensible option. An approach is to be made to the Chairman, Adam Whitchurch, for further information.

A616 – Accidents – On Saturday 24 October 2015 there had been another accident on the bend on the approach to Ompton from Wellow. A number of accidents have occurred at the same spot and Councillors P Davies and D Yeardley were asked to monitor and record details of any incidents that took place at the same spot or vicinity. They were asked to report back at the next meeting.

Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 1 December 2015