

KNEESALL, KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

3 MAY 2016

1. **Present:** T Kirk (Chairman), R Taylor (V Chairman), Miss M Lissaman, Mrs E Fidler, C Cutts, D Yeardley, P Davies, Mrs S Michael (Dist. Councillor) & B Laughton (C.Councillor)
2. **Apologies:** A Corlett & B Allebon
3. **Public:** B & Mrs M Wingfield
4. **Minutes of the previous Annual Parish Meeting:** Were confirmed as a true and correct record. **Proposed** T Kirk **Seconded** R Taylor
5. **Matters Arising From the Minutes:** No Matters were raised
6. **Chairman's Report:** Mr Kirk began his report by thanking everyone for their attendance and their efforts over the past year. The new Clerk Bob Greenland was thanked along with Councillor Corlett for taking the Council further into the digital age with the establishment of the new website through Newark & Sherwood DC.

The year began with A1 having periods of closure which affected the village as the A616 was the preferred diversionary route. A meeting was held with local MP Robert Jenrych to try and avoid similar issues in the future.

The Maplebeck wind turbine and the Bilsthorpe Incinerator became challenges that are still on going. Shale gas or fracking has been identified in the area with Ompton being on the edge of a possible find.

Improved broadband continues to be elusive to Kneesall! Its arrival was expected last year and now it seems 2017 is more likely but possibly by late 2016.

Baulk Lane potholes were to the fore again with a number of complaints made accompanied by photographic evidence resulted in some repair work much of which has been removed by subsequent rainfall! 20 mph speed limit signs have been installed around the School and have the added advantage of electronic signage. Accidents on the A616 continue to be monitored By Councillor Davies with a report being prepared with photograph evidence of possible causes.

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The Village Green grass cutting has been renewed for a further 12 months with Town & Country. A garden waste collection system – operated by Notts CC – is in operation.

Miss Merrinda Lissaman had been welcomed to the Council as a new Parish Councillor earlier in the year.

There had been a number of Planning Applications throughout the year. Ossington Road had seen two successful applications. There has also been the development of the Fortune Farm site and the proposed redevelopment of Makinson property on Newark Road. Wood Close Farm had had a change of use application granted to allow it to be used as a “care home” for 2 children. There was also a field shelter development at Kersall.

The Chairman concluded his report by once again thanking everyone for their efforts throughout the year.

- 7. Presentation of Accounts:** The Clerk presented the Receipts & Payments Account for the year ended 31 March 2016 to the Council. The accounts were discussed and will now be audited by the internal auditor before being sent to the external auditor Grant Thornton.
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| Proposed | T Kirk | Seconded | R Taylor |
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- 8. County Councillor B Laughton:** Advised that the Bilsthorpe Incinerator appeal was still on going and that Mark Spencer – MP for Sherwood – had written to the Secretary of State. It would appear that there is not only a safety issue but also a Health and Safety Issue regarding toxic fumes. Newark & Sherwood DC have also complained to Nottinghamshire CC as there have been failures in 2 other area of the country.

- 9. Date of the Annual Parish Council Meeting:** Thursday 12 May 2016 at 8 pm

- 10. Meeting Closed:** 8.45 pm