

KNEESALL, KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

12 September 2017

1. **Present:** R Taylor, P Davies, D Yeardley, Ms M Lissaman, Mrs E Fidler, B Laughton (C.C) & Mrs S Michael (D.C)
2. **Apologies:** T Kirk, B Allebon, C Cutts & Ms S Gemmell
3. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 July 2017:** Were confirmed as a true and correct record.
P Davies/M Lissaman
4. **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**
 - War Memorial** – Cllr Gemmell had advised of available funding through Notts CC Community Commemoration Fund 2014-18 to a maximum of £300. C. Cllrs Laughton advised contacting Notts. CC - **Sean Parks 01159 774251** – for further information. C. Cllr Laughton is supportive and will sign off the necessary forms when completed. A condition of granting of funding is to stage an event & Ian Thorne has agreed to speak on a WW1 topic at such an event as well as participating in an unveiling ceremony. **Motion to proceed – R Taylor/P Davies carried**
 - Village Triangle** – There appears to be an improvement in the appearance, possibly more cuts, but the situation will continue to be monitored.
 - Pot Holes** – The clerk had e-mailed Via East Midlands (M Keeling) regarding the state of Baulk Lane, Flash Lane, Ompton & Eakring Road but had not received a response by the time of the meeting. **C. Cllr Laughton will contact Mr Keeling on our behalf.** However, work was done on Baulk Lane but it is little more than a patching exercise which really makes the problem worse rather than better.
 - Village Playground** – Remains closed at present for repair work. Cllr Taylor advised that he had spoken to Mr A Whitchurch who had advised that quotes were being obtain to enable repair work on the various structures to be carried out. Further discussion to take place at the next meeting.
5. **Declaration of Interest:** None
6. **Public Participation:** None
7. **Correspondence:** **Received**
 - Wellow PC** – R Jenrick MP mobile surgery at Wellow attended by Cllr Gemmell **
 - CPRE** – Landscapes issues that could be included in Neighbourhood Plan **

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Correspondence (cont.)

NHS Newark & Sherwood Clinic Commissioning Group's Shareholders Reference Group

– seeking interested members **

NSDC – Parish Event 2017 (Monday 16 October 2017 6pm) **

Newark Community First Aid – Campaign to recruit & educate First Aiders **

NALC – Data Protection Seminar 28/11 – (Cllr Gemmell will attend)

NALC – Govt Consultation on Broadband – Comments invited **

Grant Thornton – External Audit completed and satisfied

BHIB Insurance Brokers - AON Insurance was no longer going to cover local councils

Heating Oil Club – Possible opportunity to save on cost of heating oil

Out – M Louden – Parish Council Meeting Dates

M Keeling Via East Midland – Potholes – Baulk Lane, Flash Lane & Eakring Road

(** Circulated to Councillors)

8. County Councillor Laughton & District Councillor Michael:

C. Cllr Laughton advised that he would contact M Keeling of Via East Midlands to follow up on the Clerk's e-mail to him regarding the potholes on Baulk Lane, Eakring Rd. and Flash Lane, Ompton. He would also follow up on the Broadband information request from the NALC. C. Cllr Lawson was also supportive of the collective initiative by Wellow, KKO, Caunton & Muskham PCs regarding the possible traffic calming measures along the A616. He indicated he would try to attend the proposed meeting of Councils. He did indicate that the Police were not particularly positive about a 50 mph speed limit on the A616 between Wellow and South Muskham and thought having 50 mph between Wellow and Kneesall might be looked at as a more favourable option.

D. Cllr Michael – Advised that the new office by Newark Castle station was starting to "come on stream" and more departments will move in in the coming months. This building will also house the CAB as well as Works & Pensions. (Open Plan) be "streamed" on webcam. She also advised that meetings will Kelham Hall will move into private hands in November. D. Cllrs Michael also suggested that both councillors be allocated a slot on the Agenda as they sometimes are attend more than one Parish Council meeting on the night.

9. Finance:

Clerk

£85.12

R Taylor/E Fidler

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10. **Planning:** No Applications or Approvals

11. **Kneesall Triangle, Car Park & Children's Playground:** These areas are covered by "**Dog Control Orders**" and NSDC are reviewing these to become "**Public Space Protection Orders**". It would appear there is will be little change although assistance/guide dogs would be excluded from the Orders. A survey has been completed and returned to NSDC.

12. **Chairman's Comments:** In the absence of the Chairman Cllr Taylor summarised details of a meeting held between Cllr Gemmell, himself & the clerk regarding various funding options for a variety of possible projects.

Transparency Fund – Grant available up £2k to set up, maintain & fund additional costs for 2 years. Cllr Gemmell will seek quotes for set up costs etc from 3 website designers and prepare the application submission. Cllr Gemmell is willing to administer the project.

Data Protection Compliance – Course booked for Cllr Gemmell on 8 December 2017

Kneesall Clock Repair – Ian Thorne spoken to & quote obtained £1457 + VAT. Maximum funding is 50% and PCC would be expected to contribute 50% if application is successful. Cllr Gemmell will complete the necessary paperwork.

War Memorial Plaque – See note above. Cost is approximately £200.00

New Village Signs – Possible 8 signs required – Kneesall 4, Kersall 2 & Ompton 2 – costs range from £300 - £3k+ in a variety of designs. Illustrations of various signs were inspected but Councillors were unable to agree on design and felt costs were too high. This view was supported by C Cllr Laughton but he indicated that **Sean Parks of Notts CC** was a point of contact. It was decided that this item would be carried over to the next Parish Council Meeting.

Kneesall Playground – Cllr Taylor advised that he spoken to Adam Whitchurch (chair of the committee responsible for the play area) who advised quotes were being obtained for repair works within the area. To be carried over to the next meeting pending further investigation into who actually owns the site.

Village Plan – Small working group required to formulate the plan before putting before the full council for approval before putting it into the Parish for public consultation.

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12. Chairman's Comments (cont): -

Parish Strategic Traffic Calming Group:- Following the R Jenrick MP surgery at Wellow where the problems of speeding traffic on the A616 was highlighted it was suggested that an action group of the Parish Councils of Wellow, Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton, Caunton, South Muskham and possibly Ollerton & Boughton Town Council be set up to work on the problems. It was indicated that KKO would be willing to lead such a group with information being shared.

13. Other Matters: - Cllr Lissaman advised of lamppost on Ossington Road was not working. Apparently a drain is also blocked but not certain of the exact location.

14. Date of Next Meeting:- 31 October 2017

Meeting closed 9pm