

KNEESALL, KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

24 JULY 2018

Present: TK Kirk (Chairman), R Taylor (Vice Chairman), P Davies, C Cutts,
Ms M Lissaman, CC B Laughton & DC Mrs S Michael

Apologies: Ms S Gemmell, Mrs E Fidler, B Allebon & D Yeardley

Public Participation: Dr M Loudon, Rev A Alls, Mrs J Spolton & C Eaton

Rev Anna Alls: Has been in situ since December 2016 and is based at Bilsthorpe but is part of the team involved with the group of local churches including St Bartholomew, Kneesall. She is concerned that there has not been a service at Kneesall since Easter and there is effectively no congregation and the PCC appears to lack support as well as members. Rev Alls has been a little confused with the “set up” at Kneesall as the Church has been partially converted to a Community Centre whilst services are still held in the Nave of the church. The Church is run by the PCC whilst the Hall is run by a completely separate committee. She had wanted to use the Hall for an event during the day but had been refused. (at that time the Hall was used during the day by Kneesall Pre-School Group). and there appears to be “conflict” between the PCC and Community Centre Committee. T Kirk advised that he was an ex-chairman of the Hall committee and that there is a constitution which he will seek to locate to try and clarify the access and use situation.

Rev Alls further advised that a Harvest that a Harvest Supper celebration is to be held on Sunday 30 September at which the Kneesall School Choir will sing. She is hopeful that there will be a good attendance as some of the events that have been organised been very poorly attended showing considerable apathy from the community. The School is supportive but parents have been less so. It was suggested that perhaps a Community meeting be held to discuss the situation but it is possible that the Church doors could be shut permanently.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting – held on 8 May 2018 – **were approved.** T Kirk/P Davies

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

War Memorial Plaque – Information has been provided to the Diocesan office, by the former Church Warden - Ian Thorne, regarding the process and it would seem that the Diocese Office is not happy. **A full size mock up of the proposed plaque has been provided and delivered to Mr Thorne (handed to daughter).** The cost is £200 + fitting. **It was proposed that the Parish Council proceed and purchase the plaque – P Davies/C Cutts**
Wellowfest – 2 free tickets had been provided to villagers who wished to attend following the siting of the sign on “The Triangle”

Potholes – Continue to be an ongoing problem. Contact CC Laughton’s office as a last resort.

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Declaration of Interest: None

Correspondence Received:

30/5 – Notts Air Ambulance – Fund Raising via a Textile Bank (This is for Children’s Air Ambulance). Already a site in in the village but not for this charity.

07/6 – NSDC – Release of sky lanterns & helium balloons – Later minute

11/6 – Via E Midlands (Notts CC) – A616 Speed Limit Reduction from 60mph to 50mph – see Cllr Laughton’s comments

19/6 – Planning information – Dr M Louden – Supported by Parish Council

22/6 – Ollerton Library – Posters re Children’s Events & Services available. Distributed.

24/6 – I Thorne via T Kirk – The War Memorial Plaque – See comments in Matters Arising from previous minutes.

25/6 - NALC – Data Protection – Possible fees/fines payable for non registration. Contact NALC for further advice.

26/6 - Notts Police – Seeking to recruit Special Constables

10/7 -NSDC – NHS promoting Doctor’s appointments being available evenings & some weekends. Cllr Lissaman will circulate in “The Knatter”

16/7 – K Mulhall, Kneesall – Complaint re dog owners not clearing up after their dogs on Ossington Road. Cllr Lissaman will circulate in “The Knatter”

19/7 – NALC – Paddy Tipping Police news roundup

19/7 – NSDC – Newark Urgent Treatment Centre – Engagement Event

Out:

Via East Midlands – Further complaint re village roads – No response

Via East Midlands – Response and comments from residents re proposed A616 speed limit reduction to 50mph.

Finance:	NALC -	£17.00 Magazine Subscription
	Ultimate Print	£20.00 Kneesall Knatter Printing (April & May)
	Harry Johnson Award	£25.00 Entry Fee (C/o Cllr Fidler)
	Clerk	£113.21 Fees + Expenses (June & July)

Planning: - NSDC 18/01037/FUL Dr M Louden, Kneesall – Change of us permission (retrospective) from area of paddock to wildlife friendly garden.

No objections, Supported

NSDC 18/01211/LBC Mr N Brown, Brockilow Farm, Laxton Rd, Kneesall.
(Retrospective) – Installation of a stud partition wall to form shower room & remove existing partition wall in enlarge kitchen.

Supported

No other local planning

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Road Side Foliage & Maintenance: Hedge rows etc are all overgrown causing a safety risk when turning right from Ossington Road onto A616. This applies to other roads within the Parish Council boundaries. Cllr Laughton advised contacting Notts CC (M Keeling) by telephone and if no satisfactory response to contact him.

Dog Mess: There has been issues of dog fouling on Ossington Road and other parts of the village. Cllr Lissaman will put an item in "The Knatter". **It was proposed that a further Dog Bin be requested from NSDC and that it be sited at Laxton Lane.** T Kirk/M Lissaman. The Clerk will contact NSDC to arrange for another bin.

Sky Lanterns & Helium Balloons: The Parish Council has been advised by NSDC of the possible problems as a result of sky lanterns and helium balloons being released into the air. The risk of fire is particularly high at the present time. A note will be included in the next issue of "The Knatter" warning of the risks and dangers.

County Councillor B Laughton: Advised that a meeting had been held (T Kirk had attended) regarding the siting of an interactive electronic speed sign at the Kersall end of the village and it is likely to be in situ by September. He also advised that the decision had been made to reduce the speed limit on the A616 from 60mph to 50mph (40mph Ollerton to Wellow) from Wellow through to South Muskham although village speed limits will remain unchanged (40mph through Ompton and 30mph through Kneesall). However, there are no plans to install cameras or increase police speed patrols.

Cllr Laughton was questioned on the increasing number of pot holes which are appearing on local roads and what action is being taken to rectify the situation. He advised that two new machines had been purchased in an effort to improve and speed up the repairs to the county roads.

District Councillor Mrs S Michael: Advised that NSDC had a new CEO formerly of Gedling BC. There are now electric vehicle charging points on various NSDC sites/land and funding is available to expand the continued expansion of the points.

A 40 bed care facility has been approved for Ollerton.

Chairman's Comments: None

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Other Matters:

Cllr Taylor – Had attended a safer Neighbourhood Watch Meeting but there was nothing to report. He also advised that Kneesall School was prepared to have a defibrillator on site following the passing of government legislation. It was suggested that Cllr Gemmell be contacted in this regard.

Next Meeting:	Tuesday	11 September 2018
	Tuesday	23 October 2018
	Tuesday	11 December 2018

Meeting Closed: 9.15pm

