

KNEESALL, KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

15 JANUARY 2019

Present: T Kirk, R Taylor & P Davies, Cty Cllr B Laughton & Dst Cllr Mrs S Michael

Apologies: Mrs E Fidler, Ms M Lissaman, B Allebon, D Yeardley & C Cutts

Public Participation: N Brown (Thoresby/Kneesall Estates) Mr B & Mrs M Wingfield

Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 11 December 2018 – **were approved**

T Kirk/P Davies

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Dog Bin – An email has been received from Via/Notts CC regarding the Dog Poo Bin sited at the end of Baulk Lane saying it was sited on Council property and should be removed despite having been sited there for a number of years. Cty Cllr Lawton agreed to fund the replacement posts.

War memorial Plaque – Will be installed and will be unveiled on 31 March 2019. Cllr. Davies will oversee the installation.

Defibrillator – Ordered for Kneesall. May be considered for Ompton. Caunton has two and Cllr Taylor will liaise with Dst Cllr Michael on the subject.

Kneesall Knatter – Discussion ongoing with Tony Tucker, Printer about taking over the printing of the Knatter.

Ompton 'Phone Box – Cllrs Davies has arranged for the re-painting of the 'phone box.

Neighbourhood Plan – N Brown of Thoresby/Kneesall Estates gave an insight to the thoughts of the Estate regarding the Village. Planning permission had been obtained for the area around 7 years ago for barn conversions for the area around the Hay Barn on the Main Street. However, barn conversions have fallen out of favour somewhat and developers want to construct new builds. Consideration being given to new builds at the rear of the site based on a variety of sizes such as farmhouse, semis and terrace cottages (with a view to rent). Possible improvements to the Haybarn but approval would be sought from Notts CC & Newark & Sherwood DC. Also, a possible housing needs survey.

The existing Neighbourhood plan will need to be updated will need to be updated with both the County and the District Councils being more responsive although consideration is necessary as to whether to develop or not and in what area.

Mr Brown indicated he would be willing to assist by giving his expertise to any proposals regarding design, replicate and match in existing properties. There has been changes to Planning Rules and conservation enabling possible development in areas that had previously been off limits. Cty Cllr Laughton advised that the County Council have officers who are able to advise and assist with the drawing up of plans.

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Declaration of Interest: None

Correspondence: In

05/12 – Precept figures for 2019/20 required by 1 February 2019
07/12 – NALC – legal update re forthcoming elections
07/12 – NALC – Are Councils always responsible for councillor’s actions?
07/12 – Insp H Sutton – “Stakeholders” update
10/12 - NALC – PCC Paddy Tipping – Newsletter
12/12 – NALC – Information regarding forthcoming local elections
14/12 – Notts CC – Winter weather update re road gritting
14/12 – Insp H Sutton – “Stakeholders” update
19/12 – Robert Jenrick MP – Newsletter
21/12 – Insp H Sutton – “Stakeholders” update
30/12 - Newark Community First Aid – Community Defibrillators & First Aid Training
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05/01 – Insp H Sutton – “Stakeholders” update
08/01 – NALC – Western Power Distribution Annual Stakeholders Workshops
08/01 – NSDC – Planning – None affecting Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton
10/01 – Notts CC/Via – Dog Waste Bin – Instruction to remove from current site (see Matters Arising)
11/01 – Insp H Sutton - “Stakeholders” update

Local Improvement Scheme – Capital Fund 2019/20

The chairman together with Cllr Davies will look to complete an application for funding for village name signs.

Finance: Precept 2019/20 – the funding requests need to be with NSDC by 1 February and after some discussion it was **proposed that Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton PC precept remain the same as year, £2235.84**
T Kirk/R Taylor (Carried)

Planning: None affecting Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton

Cty Cllr B Laughton – Advised that there had been a council meeting regarding the lowering of the existing speed limit on the A616 between Ollerton and South Muskham where representation had been made to reduce it to 40mph. However, County Councillors had voted to reduce the limit to 50mph along this length and preparations are being made for it to be introduced in the near future.

Cllr Laughton also stated that he would fund 2 post for holding the poo bins and to contact sarah.ashton@nottscc.gov.uk to make the request.

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District Councillor Mrs S Michael – Advised that NSDC had put funding in place to build 60 bed residential care home along the lines of the recently opened one in Newark at a cost £2.1m.

She reported on a recent Safe Neighbourhood Scheme and advised that some lorry drivers are ignoring the lorry parks for overnight parking and are making increasing use of laybys. However, this has seen a rise in the theft of diesel fuel from road side parked lorries whilst drivers are resting.

Newark Community First Aid: The chairman requested that Cllr Taylor liaise with Cllr Cutts to organise a training session or sessions.

Prospective Councillors: Local elections will take place at the beginning of May and it was suggested that “advertising” be placed in the Knatter in suggest interested parties come forward in advance of the elections. Further discussion to take place at the next meeting.

Chairman’s Comments – A Range Rover had been stolen from outside a property in Elm Tree Rise.

Cllr Kirk commented on Inspector Heather Sutton’s “Stakeholder” reports which he found interesting and recommended that other councillors should read them.

Other Matters:

Cllrs Taylor – Requested that the Minutes and Agendas be circulated earlier than at present.

Cllrs Davies – There had been further 3 car accidents recently on the A616 between the top of hill from Well and the entrance to Ompton.

The Warning triangle signs regarding the possibility of horses on the road had been removed on the approach to Ompton from Kneesall. A request was made for a replacement.

There had been an attempted theft of Christmas lights from the Ompton telephone box.

Public, Mr B Wingfield – Advised that speeding drivers had become a problem again on Ossington Road as they enter the built-up area. It appears to be a combination of parents on the “school run” and employees from Caledonian Mining leaving at the end of their shifts. Contact to be with Caledonian Mining Co and the School on the matter.

Next Meeting: **12 March 2019**

Meeting Closed: **9pm**