

# **KNEESALL, KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

**23 JULY 2019**

**Present:** T Kirk (Chair), R Taylor (V. Chair), Ms M Lissaman, P Davies, Mrs M Wingfield, B Allebon & C/C B Laughton

**Apologies:** D/C Mrs S Michael, Mrs E Fidler & C Cutts

**Public Participation:** Mrs J Spolton – Spoke on the current state of the hedges, roadside vegetation much of which is badly overgrown and unsightly within the village. She requested that action be taken to clear and cut back the encroaching weeds and vegetation.

B Wingfield – Advised that a number of teenage children (up to 13) had been “roaming” the Village on Friday 19 July. Hadn’t been disruptive or noisy but were close on occasions to trespassing. Possibility of a function in the Bill Hemsley Community Centre and K Grey was contacted to see if this was the case.

**Minutes of the Previous Minutes – 30 April 2019 – Were approved T. Kirk/P Davies**

### **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**

There has been no response from Mr N Brown (Thoresby/Kneesall Estates) regarding the proposed Neighbourhood Plan. The Clerk was requested to contact Mr Brown ascertain if any progress had been made or if any ideas and suggestions were likely to be forthcoming.

**Declaration of Interest:** None

### **Correspondence: In**

30/04 – Notts CC – Draft Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan – No Action

01/05 – NALC – Information Re – Best Kept Village Competition – No Action

01/05 - NALC – Details of Courses available

01/05 – F Cook (Notts Branch of Campaign to protect Rural England) Best Kept Village Comp.

03/05 – NALC – “Employment Update” – No Action

03/05 – NALC – Request to ensure that Councillors are kept updated with circular emails – Already Done

03/05 – NALC – Parish Online – Information regarding update to site.

07/05 – Via East Midlands – Temporary traffic lights at Ompton on 9 May 2019

07/05 – NALC – Election of Chairman – circulated to T Kirk

08/05 – NALC – Invoice re Local Government Review Magazine £17.00

08/05 – NSDC – Fortune Farm Development to be named Fortune Close

10/05 – Insp H Sutton – Stakeholder Update

10/05 – NALC – Ramifications of being unaware of an employee re | having a disability

15/05 – Parish Online – update on upgrading site

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16/05 – Area Crime Map – Circulated by T Kirk (Chairman)  
16/05 – Party Workshops – Children’s Entertainer  
16/05 – NALC – new Councillor Training Courses rapidly booking up – Cllr Lissaman  
21/05 – NHS – Mansfield & Ashfield CCG updates re mergers & system changes – Merging 6 CCGs into 1 Unit. Cllr Lissaman had completed the requested survey.  
21/05 – NALC – National Wildlife Crime Unit – Information re care of habitat etc  
21/05 – NALC – 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day. Bank Holiday brought forward to Friday 8 May from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020.  
21/05 – Newark & Sherwood Citizens Advice – Grant Aid Request – After some discussion it was proposed that a **£50 donation be made** **T. Kirk/M Lissaman - passed**  
22/05 – NALC – New Councillor Training – All courses fully subscribed  
24/05 – NSDC – Application for tree works 19/00795/TWCA Green Farm Cottage, Ossington Rd, Kneesall. T1 Maple – Crown thin, T2 Cherry Crown thin. T3 Cherry – Crown thin.  
24/05 – KP Mulhall – Complaint re dog mess on Ossington Rd. Notice put “The Knatter”  
28/05 – Insp H Sutton – Stakeholder Update  
28/05 – NSDC – Planning – Nothing for Kneesall  
30/05 – Notts CC – County Council Service at Southwell Minster 23 June 2019  
05/06 – Robert Jenrick MP – Newsletter  
05/06 – NALC – New Councillor Courses all fully booked  
07/06 – Insp H Sutton – Stakeholders Update  
07/06 – NALC – Hilary Gibbins leaving her post  
10/06 – VE Day 2020 – 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, forward planning for next year’s event  
12/06 – VE Day 2020 – 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary further information  
14/06 – NALC – Annual Conference & Exhibition 2019, Milton Keynes  
14/06 – NSDC – Dog Bin Emptying Contract  
14/06 – Annual Governance & Accountability Return – Deadline reminder  
17/06 – Notts CC – Local Improvement Scheme Grant Application – Gateway Signs  
19/06 – Via E midlands – A616 Temporary Traffic Lights 19 June – 26 July 2019  
21/06 – NSDC – Applications for Variation or Removal of Planning Permission  
21/06 – SSA – Planning Consultant – “Neighbourhood Plan” offering consulting advice  
27/06 – DoT & British Parking Assoc – Information re fairer parking seminar in London  
02/07 – NALC – Funding Bulletin – Funding Opportunities  
05/07 – NALC – Plunkett Foundation – Promoting Community Business – **Cllr Davies requested to check details etc for the next meeting.**  
11/07 – Robert Jenrick MP – Newsletter  
12/07 – Notts CC – Waste & Recycling  
**Out**  
Notts CC – Signed acceptance of Local Improvement Grant  
NSDC – Signed contract re Emptying of Dog Waste Bins

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**Finance:** Clerk Fee + Postage £87.06 NALC (Review Magazine Subscription) £17.00  
SB Trophies (No Parking Sign) £18.00 Ollerton CAB (Donation) £50.00

**T Kirk/R Taylor**

**Planning:** None for Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton

**County Councillor B Laughton:** Confirmed the Notts CC grant for the purchase and installation of Village Road signs. He suggested that contact be made with Sandra Ackerman who has assisted and advised other villages on procedures to be followed. Also need to Mike Keeling (Senior Highways Liaison Officer, Via E Midlands) as regards siting of the signs.

Cllr. Lawton confirmed that a traveller's site is being constructed on the Old Newark Road by the Wellow Road junction.

**Chairman's Comments:**

Cllr. Kirk stated there were still concerns as to the speed cars were passing through the Village. It is believed that "Speed Guns" can be purchased for a cost of approximately £140. It was proposed that the possibility of purchasing a "Speed Gun" be looked at (TK/ML) and Cllrs Kirk will make enquires through P C Crowhurst and Sandra Ackerman.

Evidence of Japanese Knotweed has allegedly been found at 4 Baulk Lane during the renovation of the property which has caused some concern.

Pot holes on Baulk Lane, Ossington Road and Flash Lane, Ompton are continuing to cause concern.

"Phoenix Nights" – held on 16 July and concern expressed regarding drains getting block apparently as a result of willow tree roots growing into the drainage pipes. Cllr. Lissaman will be "door knocking" through the Village – assisted by Mrs Hyde-Barker – on 26 July to canvas views for community activities within the Village.

The Union Jack flag was flown for Armed Services day and has now been lowered having been flown for an extended period.

Cllr. Kirk also reported on the constant dog barking at "The Vicarage" resulting in a deputation visiting at 23.00 hours to complain and the dog is now indoors at night but persists in barking throughout the day.

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**Chairman's Comments (cont.)**

Safer Neighbourhood meeting – Cllr. Kirk reported on the recent meeting that he had attended where a warning regarding “Pedlar Licence Trading” of which a number of licences are deemed to be illegal. There had a variety of thefts from properties in the different villages including garden furniture, a van and a trailer + a car had been broken into.

**Other Matters:**

Cllr. Davies

1. Speeding through Ompton is still a problem and suggested “count down stripes on the road warning of the 40mph speed limit through Ompton
2. Hasn't been able to locate a fire hydrant in Ompton
3. Pot holes on Flash Lane becoming worse and the drains are still blocking in heavy rain.

Cllr Allebon – advised of the “aroma” affecting Kersall from “fertilizer” on nearby fields.

Cllr. Wingfield

1. 20mph speed sign on Ossington Road is being obstructed by overhanging shrubbery in nearby gardens.
2. Enquired if is possible to obtain “It's 30mph for a reason” sign. Enquiries to be made of Wellow PC to ask where they acquired theirs from.

**Next Meeting:**

**3 September 2019**

**Meeting closed**

**9pm**