

Minutes of a Meeting of Knapton Parish Council held on

Tuesday 1st October, 2013 in Knapton Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: David Bishop-Laggett (Chairman) Mary Allen, Bea Gatfield, Peter Kaye, Sue Wilkins, Alan Young (Vice-Chairman), Dee Holroyd (Clerk)

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Pat Lee
2. **Minutes of the Meeting** held on Tuesday 27th August 2013 were agreed with one small amendment, and signed by the Chairman. Proposed PK, seconded BG.
3. **Matters Arising:** AY said how good the hedge round the Millennium field looked since it had been cut, following August meeting.
4. **Finance:** A financial statement was circulated, showing a current of £4,726 after all current bills paid.
5. **Footpath to Mundesley:** Declaration of interest, Sue Wilkins. Pat Spencer had circulated a report to the PC. (i) A bank account had to be opened with three signatories; MA, BL and PK. DH to approach the Norwich and Peterborough. (ii) Pat Spencer asked for a specific member of the PC to become her liaison officer. MA would do this. (iii) A questionnaire regarding the path would be circulated and collected, hopefully within one week. Volunteers were needed. (iv) It was hoped the cost could be kept to about £10,000 by asking the land owners to do some of the work and by keeping to a basic footpath of a metre plus wide. A maintenance cost would have to be established. DBL would arrange a meeting with the Chairman and one or two members of the Mundesley Parish Council, to ask them to share the cost. (v) A logo was needed. Pat Spencer to arrange a children`s competition to design this, which could be incorporated in the Knapton shield.
6. **Millennium Field:** (i) DBL had had a conversation with Faith Davies of Victory Housing. In response to the wishes of the people of Knapton who attended the meeting in April, VH are now looking at changing their plans to put more bungalows on the field near to Hall Lane and possibly more houses at the far end by the water tower. (ii) A letter of objection to the application to turn the Millennium Field into a village green had been sent on behalf of the PC to NCC (DH to circulate to the PC). (iii) BG suggested a questionnaire compiled by the PC and people from the village, re the use of the piece of land not used by Victory Housing. This could be inserted as a loose leaf into an edition of the Knapton News and would allow people to voice their thoughts. (iv) A microphone would be needed at any future meetings with VH.

- 7. Correspondence Received:** (i) A letter had been received from Andy Weston who was concerned about trees near his boundary on the Paston Road which might damage his home or the power line. They were not on land owned by the PC. DH to write to Mr Weston to suggest he contact the electricity supplier who might cut back the trees in question. (ii) Speeding in The Street. AY suggested asking for a police speed check. DH to contact the police. (iii) AY asked if the PC wanted to get more involved with re-cycling, possibly with extra re-cycling banks at Madra. It was believed bottle banks were to be phased out. (iv) AY reported that there was an intention to substantially widen and cut back Green Lane to allow better access. SW pointed out there were historic hedges and banks in the lane. AY to bring information to the next meeting.
- 8. Neighbourhood Watch:** An overall co-ordinator was needed. This had been a request in the last Knapton News with no response. MA suggested it should go in again and in the mean time PC members might be able to suggest a suitable person.
- 9. Any Other Business:** (i) Road markings. Following the last PC meeting the lines at the end of Hall Lane had been renewed and the ones at Swafield had been partly done. DBL to contact Wyndham Northam to ask for the missing lines to be re-instated. (ii) Following the death of Don Venvell, AY had written a piece (which he read out) to go on the website, subject to the approval of the PC (all agreed) and of Clyde Venvell (iii) AY was concerned that the Millennium Garden, in its overgrown state, was a considerable fire risk. There was nothing the PC could do. Victory Housing would take ownership shortly. (iv) PK said a Family Day would be held at Pigneys Wood on Sunday 13th October. Any help would be most welcome.
- 10. Date of next Meeting:** As two PC members were unable to attend on 5th November, the meeting was arranged for Tuesday 12th November. PK to put on the website.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm