

Minutes of a Meeting of Knapton Parish Council held on

Tuesday 5th March 2013 at 7.30 pm in Knapton Village Hall

Present: John East (Chairman), Alan Young, Mary Allen, David Bishop-Laggett, Bea Gatfield, Peter Kaye, Patrick Lee, Dee Holroyd (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence: None

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting: held on Tuesday 5th February 2013 were agreed and signed by the chairman. The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th January 2013, which had been agreed, were also signed.

The meeting was closed at 7.35 to allow PC Falhalla to make his report. He had only one minor event to report. PC Falhalla asked if an invitation to go on patrol with PC Green had been received by the PC. So far it had not. JE would see PC Green the next day and ask about this. JE confirmed that the number of ASBOs relating to Knapton was nine and not over forty as previously reported. PC Falhalla left the hall and the meeting re-opened at 7.40pm.

3. Matters Arising: (i) DBL had had a meeting with Faith Davies of Victory Housing. There was to be a meeting with Victory Housing and the architect of the Millennium Field plans in the village hall at 6.00pm on Monday 22nd April, at which questions could be asked. The village would be notified via the Knapton News, due out on about 11th March. (ii) DBL had spoken with Madra following the previous PC meeting and queried the invoice received for work done. Madra had agreed to do the work in question and re-invoice the PC on completion. Madra were in possession of the ROSPA report covering the playground area. DBL would attend a Madra meeting during the week beginning 11th March.

4. Finance: There was a balance of £3253 once current bills had been paid. Two grit bins had been bought, both currently situated in Lawn Close. It was agreed that one of these should be moved to Hall Lane where it could be situated on private land immediately beside the road. JE would move the bin and once in place DH would notify Highways. The remaining bin would be outside No 6 Lawn Close where it would not obstruct the footpath.

5. Correspondence: (i) A newspaper article about new footpaths was circulated. BG asked what the hold up on the footpath to Mundesley was. This was funding. The chairman closed the meeting at 8.00 to allow Graham Jones to report that he had been looking into the footpath question and would bring information on this to the next PC meeting. He suggested Mundesley could be asked to share the cost. The footpath was necessary especially for safety reasons with the new housing coming, although some members of the PC did not think it would get much use. **Footpath to go on the next agenda.** The meeting re-opened.

PK reminded the meeting that previously correspondence received had been circulated by the clerk so all PC members could see it well before the meeting and any comments they wished to make could be recorded on an enclosed form with the correspondence. DH to set this up.

6. Madra Lease: JE pointed out that this had been ongoing for a long time. PK was concerned about costs to the PC of taking the land back and being responsible for the upkeep. He suggested a rolling lease on an annual basis. A simpler lease needed to be drawn up. PL was concerned about who was in charge at Madra. There are seven trustees. AY said there had been complaints about excessive noise and prolonged mowing of the land, particularly on Sundays and during evenings. Restrictions could be included in a new lease, but would be hard to enforce. PK suggested leasing the land to one of the clubs which currently used it. **The Madra lease to go on the next agenda.**

7. Any Other Business: (ii) PL had received a complaint about the state of the footpath leading from the Railway House to the Edinthorpe Road. Andrew Claydon would put this right the following day. PL had also received a complaint about speeding lorries in The Street heading for the electricity sub-station undergoing construction. It was thought that The Street was not the official access to the site and, while the work would not last, JE would visit the following day to ask for visiting lorries to slow down.

8. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 2nd April.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.25.

The meeting briefly re-opened at 8.30. PK proposed and MA seconded that three cheques be signed.

Notes from the floor.

1. Madra Land: Bad language and excessive mowing were causing problems to local residents and dogs were being exercised on the land, despite a clause excluding all these. The lease was not being monitored and AY asked how these clauses could be enforced.
2. Liz Winter told the meeting that the church was in need of a new roof at a cost of £35,000. There was to be a meeting with the architect as a number of other improvements were needed. Following this meeting LW hoped the PC would support efforts to raise money, as although funding was available, the village had to show it was also doing its bit.
3. Liz Winter also raised the question of the speed at which lorries drove down The Street. JE said the police were soon to do spot checks.