

East Knoyle Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Full Council on Tuesday 8th Jan 7.30pm 2019 at East Knoyle Village Hall

Present Cllrs Hyde(Chairman), Dawson, McCarthy, Southerden, Bateman, Hoar, Tait ,Coffin.

Public Present. Paul Naish, Bridget Wayman {County Councillor}

Chairman opened the meeting by stating the rules regarding speaking during the meeting, ie 3 minutes per person on any one given topic when invited.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** –Cllrs Campbell, Scott-Bolton, Small.
2. **Notices of Interest.- None.**
3. **Public Open Forum- No Comments.**
4. **Minutes of meetings held on Tuesday 11th December 2018-** Signed as a true record, with spelling corrections.
5. **Matters arising-** It was noted the recent planning application for Black Horse House had been delayed due to the presence of bats. Clerk advised that a donation of £400 had been made to the PC from the village fete organizers. The Clerk had written to express PC's thanks.
6. **Chairman's Report-** Tim Hyde advised that there had been some problems with footpath 40 users and the farmer and that a proposal had been put forward to place signs at either end of the path to ensure the farmland is used sympathetically by walkers. A draft of a poster was circulated and its contents would be discussed further and voted on at the next PC meeting on 12th Feb 2019. Tim advised that a rough outline plan had been formulated to improve/expand the parking at the Fox and Hounds. £35 was the cost of outline planning and Tim would consult with WCC planning dept to assess what further action was needed. Tim noted the recent addition of several sets of reflective plastic posts around the village and asked for comments on their placing and the perceived "urbanisation" of the village as a result. Rob McCarthy advised that the Parish Steward had placed them and it was agreed that an audit would be undertaken to establish their number and location before any further action was taken. Adam Cleal had asked that the dead elm be removed from the bank side at Milton.
7. **Planning Activity –18/12038/tca 51** Milton, Supported , proposed Laura Coffin Sec ,Ian Tait, vote unanimous.
8. **Bridget Wayman –** Bridget advised that of the £7.3m allocated to highways a substantial amount had been allocated to our area for pot holes, gully clearance and white lining and that the PC should advise if any work was required in any of these areas. Faster roads and flooded country lanes would be given priority.
9. **To note Chq no 101019 lost in post, authorized signatories to sign request to cancel cheque.-**Signed and noted.
10. **Agree date for 2019 litter pick, possible date Sat 23rd Feb.-** Agreed, Paul Naish and the Clerk to arrange.
11. **Note progress on KHG Wall surveys and vote on preferred option-Neil Southerden.-** Neil outlined the costs of three surveys which he had obtained. The survey from Nick Kenchington could be updated {original Dec 2012} for £225+ Vat and it was agreed that the Clerk would ask Nick to go ahead with this. Proposed by Laura Coffin, Seconded by Ian Tait ,vote unanimous.

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- 12 Highways** – Rob advised that the Parish Steward had been in the village recently and had been filling pot holes. The web site had run out of space and Rob had obtained further web space for no extra cost. The web site was experiencing 200-300 hits per month with 50% of these through search engines. It was now possible to coordinate web site and newsletter advertising for a financial premium, new advertisers had been added. Rob will have the painting of East Knoyle donated by Tom Adams for the next PC meeting.
- 13 Alistair Campbell Village Hall report**- Alistair not present.
- 14- Shop Report**- Ian advised the shop had been open all Christmas except Christmas day. Staffing levels had been good all over the festive period. The new shop opening hours were Mon to Sat 8am to 6pm, Sunday 9am to 12noon. As ever, new volunteers are always needed.
- 15- AOB**- Laura Hoar asked how do we get the trees felled in KHG, Clerk advised that tree warden Malcolm James could prepare paperwork to obtain planning consent. Laura would contact Malcolm to arrange and a vote on this proposal would be taken at the next meeting. Neil asked if the Clerk could establish when Wessex Water would be undertaking mains replacement in the street. Clerk to find out new dates and advise.

Meeting Ended 8.52 PM

Signed as a true record..... Chairman.....Date.

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