

East Knoyle Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Full Council on Tuesday 12th July 7.30pm 2016 at East Knoyle Village Hall

Present

Cllr Hyde, Southerden, Dawson, Campbell, Small, Wharton, McCarthy, Jones, Carmichael, .

Members of the public -Martin Williams.

1. **Apologies for Absence.** -Cllr Coffin and Bateman.
2. **Notices of Interest.**- None.
3. **Public Open Forum**- No Comments
4. **To approve minutes of meeting held on 14th June 2016**- Signed as a true record.
5. **Matters arising**- None.
6. **Chairman's Report**- Tim thanked all organizers of the Barn Dance which had raised almost £4000 and had exceeded expectations in all areas. A letter of thanks had been received from Buckingham Palace and the Clerk was asked to write to John and June Redding to thank them for hosting the event. The Clerk would also thank all responsible for the Barn Dance via the newsletter. Tim reported Marquee bookings and an extension of the booking on 11th Aug to accommodate a boot fair in the Village Hall car park. Building on the affordable houses at the south end of Park Houses would start in September and all nearby residents would be contacted by the Contractor in August.
7. **Chairman to sign Defibrillator agreement forms pending installation in Autumn.** – Martin Williams gave an overview of progress and a likely timeframe for the activation of the Defibrillator. Martin anticipated an Autumn launch with an awareness evening before this and a newsletter announcement in September. Tim signed the Community Heartbeat project assistance form and the Managed Solutions agreement to get the scheme off the ground. Fund raising had reached the £2500 levels that had been hoped for. Tim thanked Martin and the “Defibrillator group” for their excellent work.
8. **Local (Neighbourhood) Plan- Louise Carmichael to update on suitability for EK village.** Louise had established that Neighbourhood Plans were part of the “National Planning Policy Framework” and were essential for settlements who wished to have input into future development of their locations. Louise said this was a proactive document not a blocking tool.
Louise provided colour flow charts giving details of the process and likely timeframes required to create a Plan. Louise gave details of the Wiltshire settlements that had opted to undertake a local plan and she agreed she would look at Wiltshire settlements of similar size to East Knoyle which had opted to have a plan. Council would arrive at a decision for future action after she had completed this.
9. **Discuss Planning Applications – None**
10. **Highways Report**- Rob McCarthy advised that Sutton Bottom had been partly patched and the new sign for Holloway Lane was now in place. Pot hole patching had happened all over the village. Millbrook Lane would be closed from 13th July for maintenance work. The burned out BMW in the ditch on A350 had now been cleared (in theory).
11. **Emergency Plan- Sue Dawson to update on progress.** Sue advised that having looked at Zeals emergency plan in

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detail it was possible to identify the most likely emergencies and prepare a plan for them in the order they were most likely (ie Tsunami- unlikely, Snow inundation –more likely) Sue and a group of volunteers would do some work on this for the next meeting in September. Volunteers, Ian Small, Rob McCarthy, Bruce Jones and Louise Carmichael.

- 12 **Common Lands**- Paul Wharton gave details of the Windmill Lay by improvements which had met with favourable reviews. A meeting of the Common Lands Group had been held recently and volunteers had been allocated paths and bridle ways to monitor and report back. Windmill grass had been cut in poor weather conditions and did not look its best. Paul would be writing to Clouds to thank them for work recently carried out to dangerous trees.
- 13 **Wilts Council - Bridget Wayman** - Not Present.
- 14 **Village Hall Report** – Alistair advised that new lighting was to be installed in the Hall to help with future EEK productions and that there was still much discussion as to likely sources of funding for new projects.
- 15- **AOB**- Sue Dawson asked if villagers could be reminded to cut hedges via the PC newsletter item, Clerk said he would do this. Neil advised that the new newsletter editors had resigned after 1 edition and that Martin Brown was back in control.

Meeting ended 9.10pm

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

Kevin Stow Clerk to the Council

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