

East Knoyle Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Full Council on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at East Knoyle Village Hall 7.30pm

Present - Steven Dawson, Becky and Phil Hill, David and Sally McLaren- Webster, Bridget Wayman.

Cllrs Hyde (chairman), Coffin, Dawson, Southerden, Wharton, Campbell, Bateman, Small, Jones, Mc Carthy

1. **PUBLIC OPEN FORUM** – No questions.
2. **Apologies for Absence.** Cllr Carmichael.
3. **Notices of Interest.** Cllrs Coffin and Southerden item 7 no 01713, Cllr Dawson and Hyde item 8.
4. **Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 10th Feb 2015.** Approved and signed off.
5. **Matters arising - Neil** asked if Area Board funding was possible for Queens 90th. Ian Small advised this was unlikely. Clark advised that an enforcement order had been initiated regarding the development near the lakes close to the A350. Clerk also advised that no information had been received in respect to damaged stiles.
6. **Chairman's Report.** Chairman advised that the litter pick on Saturday was a big success with 24 volunteers turning out on the day. Tim thanked all those who regularly pick up litter around the village. Clouds House Open day scheduled for 18th June. Tim mentioned trees requiring safety work near the Windmill and at Haddon Woods, Tim asked Alistair Campbell to look into the safety issues that may have arisen. Tim asked Clerk to contact the owners of Hawthorne Cottage with regard to leaving bins out on the road all week, Clerk will do this. No smoking sign had been received, to be posted at the entrance to KHG play areas. Tim would be asking Bridget Wayman to ask for a dimming of the lights at Firs Hedge.
7. **Planning Applications-**
 - 15/12185/ful EK Community Shop-** supported unanimous
 - 16/01444/ful Chapel House ,The Green-** supported unanimous
 - 16/01660/TCA Gauns Court, Shaftesbury Rd-** supported unanimous
 - 16/01294/TCA Land South of Park Houses, The Street-** Supported with the proviso that the associated planning application is approved and suitable indigenous trees are replanted to replace those felled.
 - 16/01713/TCA 21 The Street ,East Knoyle.** – Support 8 in favour, 2 Abstentions.
8. **Discuss progress made concerning blocked footpath No 16 at Baytree House, The Green.** – Tim Hyde and Sue Dawson had declared an interest and before leaving the room Tim suggested that until this issue was resolved he and his partners were willing to entertain a temporary diversion across their land until a resolution was reached. Steven Dawson was asked to speak on this issue and Steven then gave an account of how the problem may have occurred. Steven pointed out that the 1950 original map had been copied many times, recently digitally, and that this had resulted in a less than accurate representation of exactly where the route of pathway 16 was located. A 2015 digitalised version of the map had placed the path of the footpath within the boundaries of Moorlands Cottage. WCC had identified problems in the interpretation of recent maps and was working to correct these. Steven pointed out that a 1983 map showed the path going between the two properties. Steven also noted that a WCC report on this issue had been prepared on 4th March and its contents were eagerly sought. Paul Wharton showed inconsistencies in the maps by reference to ordinance survey evidence and other WCC maps. Barbara Burke of WCC had written to Tim with the view that the route of footpath 16 had originally run through what was now the curtilage of Moorlands Cottage and that the boundaries of Moorlands cottage had expanded. David McLaren- Webster suggested that the PC should make add weight to this issue with WCC and was concerned that the path would otherwise be moved back within the boundaries of Moorlands Cottage. Neil Southerden

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suggested that the PC should support the temporary diversion with a time limit and at this point Deb Bateman suggested there was an alternative diversion that did not involve Green Farm . Neil suggested all options would be considered.

Neil proposed that the PC should write to WCC making the following points.

1 That the PC accepts a temporary solution to the current problem, to help with a suitable compromise.

2 The PC should express their concern and the concern of walkers and all other concerned parties with the current situation.

3 Walkers have used this route for 50 years without any previous problems.

4 That WCC should open a debate on this subject in which EK PC and all concerned parties could participate.

- 9 Update on Fly Tipping incident at entrance to Haddon Woods** - All rubbish has now been cleared, Chairman thanked all PC members who had helped in this process.
- 10 To note recent e mail from Zoe Roberts at The Turnpike and agree PC financial input into Metro Count Speed check for A350 to address Area Board Issue No 4501.**- Tim ran through the contents of Zoë's E mail and gave details of the PC action to date. The Clerk had been offered use of the Metro Count Traffic analysis by June Cook had accepted this at no cost to the PC. It was agreed that the PC supported a slower traffic flow all around the village and it was hoped that the metro count results would back this up.
- 11 Bridget Wayman** - gave details of the WCC budget breakdown for next financial year. £20 million had been allocated for structural maintenance ,this covers roads repairs. WCC tax had not increased for 6 years and the cost of the Green Waste collection service would be increasing. Bridget asked that we keep her informed of any unauthorized dumping in the village as she believed that this was on the increase all over the County.
- 12 Highways** –Deb Bateman and Rob McCarthy had met with Lee Haine and walked over the major areas of concern around the village, Lee now has a detailed list of all the major problems on the village's roads.
- 13 Shop Report**- Laura Coffin advised that the fundraising for the shop re-fit had now reached £27k. A grant application to Heart of Wessex had been placed for a further £26k, this application was to be heard next week.
- 14 Finance Report including vote to approve new Tent Hire Charges for 2016**-Ian Small gave details of the PC plan to reduce shop rent to £1 for the next two years .This was the PC effort to help toward the shop re-fit. Previously the shop rent had contributed £2000 P/A to PC funding. Tent hire charges for next year would be set at £400 with fees for external charities to be agreed on an ongoing basis. R2 funding of £2k had been received, this related to replacement of a swing ,cricket and football nets in KHG play area.
- 15 Village Hall Report** – Alistair Campbell gave details of the barn dance planned for 2nd July to celebrate the Queens 90th birthday and details of the work projects underway in the Hall.
- 16 Agree format for Parish Assembly in April 2016.**- It was agreed that the Parish Assembly would incorporate a public viewing of the Village Archives, the date would be confirmed by the Clerk as Tim was away from home on the previously agreed date of 12th April.
- 17 AOB**- Clerk would be issuing tender document for Common Lands works this year. The Common Lands group would be meeting on Friday 12th March ,Sue advised on A303 dualling process after attending a recent meeting in Amesbury. The Stonehenge to Berwick Down section was the last in line to be dualled. Rob advised that a large Oak Branch that had fallen off a tree at the top of Touchorne Lane, Tim will make land owner aware.

Meeting ends 9.22pm

Chairman..... Date.....