

East Knoyle Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Full Council on Tuesday 10th March 2020 at East Knoyle Village Hall 7.30pm
Public Present - Cllr Bridget Wayman, Steve Garrett, Paul Egginton, Chris Jarrett-Kerr, Barry Bates, David Jenkins, Sophie Caruth.

Council Present - Cllrs Hyde (chairman), Coffin, Dawson, Campbell, Bateman, Brickell, Tait, Southerden, Scott-Bolton .

1. **Apologies for Absence.** Cllr Laura Hoar.
2. **Notices of Interest.** All PC members as PC owns village Hall 20/00551/lbc.
3. **Public Open Forum.-** Steve Garrett gave an update on the progress of the Knoyle House Grounds rebuild. The weather had affected progress but after a section of the new wall had to be rebuilt the stonemasons were back on track and due to complete work in April on schedule.
4. **Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday 11th Feb 2020 .** Approved and signed off.
5. **Matters arising –** Ian Tait asked if the issues raised by Bob Bourne at the last meeting had been addressed and Steve Garrett advised that Bob had been able to get his caravan in and out of his home.
6. **Vote to Co-Opt Chris Jarrett-Kerr onto Parish Council-** Clerk had circulated Chris's application to Councillors. Neil Southerden proposed that Chris be co –opted and Ian Tait seconded this motion, Vote unanimous. Chris Joined Councillors at the table.
7. **Chairman's Report.** Chairman advised, that following a letter from Ann Ambrose suggesting the village should plant some trees to help the environmental concerns over global warming, the Clerk had established that a private land owner had volunteered to allocate some land for this .The Clerk would use the Newsletter to establish if volunteers would come forward to help with this initiative . Tim advised that contractors were expected to submit tenders for work on Common Lands and KHG for 2020, Clerk to update in April. Open Reach would be closing a section of road between The Fox and Hounds and Upton to improve broadband between 27th April and 4th May. There had been flooding at the forge due to water not draining away into the fields behind. Residents had made contact with Environment Agency and the neighboring land owner.
- 8 **Planning Applications-20/00095/ful Land North of Milbrook Lane, East Knoyle – Prop Tim Scott-Bolton .** No Councillor would second the proposal to support this application. The reasons are stated below.
 - 1 Large Windows would effect AONB dark skies status and be visible from the village centre.
 - 2 This development will be visible from the war memorial in the heart of the village as is the agricultural barn previously erected on this site.
 - 3 No planting plan is available to screen the development. It was hoped that a screen of trees would have been planted to hide the barn previously erected but no planting has occurred.
 - 4 There was no mention of an agricultural occupancy tie order being part of the application.{ this should be so for an agricultural development}
 - 5 The proposed site of the house could be made invisible from the village and this would be more acceptable.Recommendations were to be made in regard to screening of the barns to make them less visible from the centre of the village, and to explain the lack of support for the application by including the 5 reasons given above.

20/00688/tca- The Paddocks, The Street -Prop Dan Brickell, Sec Ian Small – Support vote unanimous.
20/00448/ful – Meadside, Shaftesbury Rd ,East Knoyle. Prop Laura Coffin, Sec Ian Tait- Support vote unanimous.
20/00551/lbc- Village Hall. Prop Dan Brickell, Sec Deb Bateman- Support vote 8 in favour ,1 abstention – with the declaration of interest given at the start of the meeting.

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20/00921/tca- The Old Stores.- Prop Neil Southerden ,Sec Deb Bateman. Support vote 7 in favour 2 abstentions – application details online not available for 2 councillors

Sophie Caruth- Proposed development of Brickyard Farm , Underhill.- Sophie introduced herself as the new Owner of Brickyard Farm and advised that plans for redeveloping the site had just been lodged with WCC Planning dept and could be viewed online shortly. Sophie gave details of an Open Evening to be held at the house on Monday 27th March between 5.30 pm and 7pm. Extensive plans and a model would available to view and Sophie hoped villagers would take an interest.

9 Village Hall Planning Update – Paul Egginton. Paul advised that he had applied for 16 grants to cover the costs of refurbishments and improvements to the Hall. Three had been granted to date and these would be put toward the work on ladies, disabled and gents toilets. Tenders had been received for this work and it was hoped to appoint a

contractor soon. Paul asked the PC to confirm that it was the owner of the Hall and that it would pay for the work and be reimbursed by the Hall Committee. This would enable the PC to reclaim the VAT element of the costs. The Clerk confirmed that the PC does own the building and that this would be possible. The Chairman thanked Paul Egginton on behalf of the PC for his hard work on this project. Paul listed other work required for the Hall in the Future, this includes new carpet for Medieval Room, re-wiring throughout, new chairs and tables, acoustic Dampeners for the Hall, new boiler,

10 Litter pick – Results and update.- Clerk advised 20 volunteers had turned out collecting 70 bags of rubbish and assorted waste. All had been collected by WCC within 3 days of the litter pick.

11 Village Hall Report- Alistair Campbell. Alistair advised that there would be a Hall meeting the following evening and a full report would be available following that.

12 Discuss proposals and Agree format for Parish Assembly on April 14th 2020.- Clerk advised that the Village Archives would be available to the public before the Assembly and it was hoped Bridget Wayman might attend the Assembly and talk about WCC waste strategy. Tim Hyde would contact Bridget.

13 Bridget Wayman Wilts CC – Bridget advised that all Parish Stewards had been told to concentrate on pot hole filling following the recent poor weather. Bridget advised that a lot of background work was going on to prepare for the effects of the Covid19 pandemic. The PC was in receipt of regular updates via the Clerk. The new recycling schedule had started and Bridget advised that larger or second bins were available for people struggling to cope. Bridget advised that two long term future initiatives were being discussed. One was the opening of a Wilton Parkway station in Wilton and the other was the possible upgrading of the A350 to improve North South traffic flow. Both projects were many years away if indeed they went ahead.{ this item moved up the agenda to be in between items 6 and 7}

14 Ian Tait- Update on KHG Wall rebuilding.- Covered by Steve Garrett earlier.

15 VE Day street party progress update-Laura Coffin. – Laura advised that the next meeting of the group was 11th March. The application to close the road was in hand and Rosina Elliot and Helen Lever would be present at the Parish Assembly to advertise the event in May.

16 AOB. – Deb Bateman asked when Wessex Water would complete the work, Ian advised 25th April Alistair Campbell advised that there was builders rubbish outside a home at the Green. Clerk would enquire to see if anything could be done to tidy up.

Meeting ended 9.30pm..... **Date**.....