

East Knoyle Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, 11th February 2020 at 7.30pm East Knoyle Village Hall

Present- Cllrs Hyde, Coffin, Campbell, Southerden, Scott-Bolton, Bateman, Hoar, Brickell, Dawson, Tait.

Members of the public Martin Brown, Bob and Christine Bourne , Bridget Wayman.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence.** - None.
- 2 **Notices of Interest.** –None
- 3 **Public Open Forum-** Bob Bourne was concerned that the work on rebuilding the wall at KHG had ground to a halt and that moving his caravan in and out of his property would be difficult under present circumstances. Ian Tait advised that the work had stopped to let the concrete base “cure” and would resume as soon as weather conditions permitted. Tim Hyde suggested that a solution to Bob’s access difficulties could be found through consultation with Wessex Water and Burfitt and Garrett. Ian would contact Burfitt and Garrett. Tim thanked Bob for drawing his attention to these concerns.
Martin Brown asked if any work was planned to maintain the view from the Windmill as he thought the view to the South West in particular was reduced. Tim advised that no work was planned for this year but that a review of the tree heights would be undertaken this Autumn. If necessary, work to be carried out next winter. Clerk advised £7k of the £10k allocated for this maintenance work remained. Martin asked if the PC funds would be adversely depleted by the work on the KHG Wall ,the Clerk advised that the PC had been saving for a number of years to address this very problem and that no financial burden would be placed on PC coffers. Martin also suggested that repair work to pot holes in the lay by at the windmill be deferred until the issue of overnight parking had been addressed. Martin’s comments were noted.
- 4 **Minutes of Meeting held 14th Jan 2020** – Signed as a true record.
- 5 **Matters arising-** Tim Hyde noted the fly tip north of Milton had been cleared by WCC. Laura Hoar noted that the condition of the roads around Leigh Williams Farm had been good during the recent wet patch. Clerk advised that the new rubbish bin had been installed in KHG and the old one removed .
- 6 **Chairman’s Report** - Ann Ambrose had written to the PC asking if consideration could be given to a tree planting initiative in the village. This might be on Common Land or on land owned by a private individual sympathetic to this environmental issue. Clerk to use the PC Newsletter item to raise the profile of this idea. Tim would consider any suitable sections of PC woodland for this venture. Tim Scott-Bolton advised that any new planting ought to be on a cleared site to allow the new trees to grow. Clerk to update Ann Ambrose. Sophie Caruth , the new owner of Brickyard Farm had asked to attend a PC meeting to discuss early ideas for the building work she and her husband intend to carry out. Tim had asked Sophie to come to the March 10th PC meeting.
- 7 **Discuss plans to Co opt Chris Jarrett – Kerr to join the Parish Council.**- Clerk advised that he had received a request for more information on the PC vacancy. Clerk would meet Chris on Friday to advise what the role entailed and if Chris was still interested then Co-option could take place at the March meeting, subject to Council approval.
- 8 **Update on plans for Village Litter pick , Sat 29th Feb 2020.** – Clerk advised that so far only two volunteers had come forward and hoped that this number would increase nearer the time.
- 9 **Planning Activity – 20/00688/tca- The Paddocks, The Street.**
20/00448/ful – Meadside, Shaftesbury Rd ,East Knoyle.

East Knoyle Parish Council

Sue Dawson advised that WCC Planning portal had been down and no plans could be viewed, these applications would be deferred to the next meeting,.

- 10 Bridget Wayman WCC representative** – Bridget advised that all Parish Stewards had been detailed to fill pot holes until further notice. The list of works to highways was about to be announced by Highways Dept. New recycling timetables and rules were about to be announced to every household ,Clerk advised the provisional notice was available on the web site. 46% of waste is currently recycled , WCC are looking to improve this figure. Bridget also advised that the WCC Full Council meeting was scheduled for 25th Feb to agree budget for next year.
- 11 Ian Tait- Update on KHG Wall rebuilding-** Ian advised that initial ,phase 1 ,work was complete and that there would be a small delay while the mortar “ cured”. Stonemasons would be along to start phase two ASAP. Clerk was asked to request that Wessex Water have deliveries to the South end of the Street to avoid bottle neck outside KHG play area.
- 12 Defibrillator – Assess need for refresher training and review first responder list.-** It was agreed that this should now become a PC responsibility and the Clerk asked if anyone would like to consider taking on this responsibility. To be carried forward to the next meeting and a notice placed in the Newsletter.
- 13 Approve £150 expenditure to purchase scalping to repair holes at Windmill layby.-** Proposed by Neil Southerden, seconded by Dan Brickell, vote unanimous.
- 14 Appoint PC representative to sit on VE Day street party organizing committee.** – Laura Coffin had been approached by the Clerk to act on behalf of the PC on this initiative and Laura was very happy to help.
- 15 Common Lands- Deb Bateman.-** Deb had the minutes from the last Common Lands meeting and highlighted the requirement for a new gate on Katie Page’s land, Clerk to see if WCC offer of free gates is still available. Clerk to notify Environment agency of Himalayan Balsam on path leading up to the Fox and Hounds. Also fallen trees were blocking FP61 in Haddon Woods, Alistair Campbell said he would attend to this.
- 16 AOB.** - The Clerk was asked to see if the rubbish outside No3 Haddon Houses could be cleared from the roadside.

Meeting Closed 9.01 pm

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

Kevin Stow

Clerk to the Council

Limetree Cottage, Underhill, East Knoyle SP3 6BS. Tel: 01747 830431, email: kandbstow@hotmail.com