

# East Knoyle Parish Council

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## Minutes of a meeting of the Full Council on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec 7.30pm 2021 at East Knoyle Village Hall

### Members of the public were not invited to this meeting due to ongoing Covid 19 restrictions.

**Present** Cllr Hyde, Southerden, Tait, Bateman, Entwistle, Taylor, Coult-Pittman, Brown, Brickell, Pickering .

**Members of the public, None. Cllrs sat at 2m intervals around the fringes of the Village Hall.**

1. **Apologies for Absence.** - Cllr Schendel.
2. Notices of Interest.- None.
3. **Public Open Forum-** No public present however Martin Brown read out representations from Underhill residents regarding PL/2021/10169 – Hartmoor Barn, item 7 on the agenda.
- 4 **To approve minutes of meeting held on 13th Nov 2018-** Signed as a true record.
- 5 **Matters arising-** Tim Hyde reported that he had contacted Leo Tandoh regarding possible dates for cutting back trees suffering from Ash die back .Leo advised late winter ,early spring and had offered to help with a felling license when it becomes necessary. No progress had been made on moving the Church Rails “narrow road” sign to the bottom of the lane. It was agreed to ask SSE to terminate the electricity supply to KHG shed as the standing charges had become expensive. Clerk to arrange.
- 6 **Chairman’s Report-** Tim advised that following another vote on the siting of the grateful tree the favoured location remained inside KHG.{ Vote 6 to 4 ,1 abstention} Tim had passed this news on to Jan Knight. The PC would pick up this initiative and arrange a planting in the new year. After consultation with Diana Macgill, a Substantial Oak tree is to be planted near the Windmill to commemorate the Queens Platinum Jubilee in 2022. Adam Cleal had offered to pay for the felling od Ash Trees on Common Land at Milton. These were close to his home and were a danger. Adam’s tree surgeon would proceed with this work. Following the flooding at Moors Farm WCC highways had cleared the ditches leading down to the farm. Thanks to David Button of WCC Highways. Tim read out the governors’ report from Hindon School and a letter from Ian Hamilton representing the property owners affected by the flooding caused by a broken drainage pipe in the field behind these premises. An open ditch had been dug across the field to alleviate the problem. Martin Brown had reported the dumping of drug paraphernalia near the Windmill to the local Police who would drive by this site in future.
- 7 **Planning Applications PL/2021/10169- Hartmoor Barn-** Proposed Tim Hyde, no seconder, vote 8 against,1 for ,1 Abstention.  
**PL/2021/11230/Milton House, Milton-** Prop Ian Tait, Sec David Pickering vote to support unanimous.  
**PL/2021/11117- Beechcroft, The Street.-**Prop Martin Brown, Sec David Pickering vote to support unanimous.  
**PL/2021/11414- Clouds Stables-** All abstained, more details of which Ash trees were to be felled is required.  
**PL/2021/11231- Park Cottage , Milton.-** Prop Ian Tait, Sec Deb Batemen ,vote to support unanimous.
- 8 **No Item 8**
- 9 **Grateful Tree Update following Councilors deliberations –** See notes in Chairman’s report

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- 10 Progress on recruitment of new Clerk to replace Kevin Stow at the end of March 2022.**- It was agreed that Martin Brown would spearhead the recruitment process and this would start with an advert in the WCC website and in the local press.-Chairman thanked Martin for taking this on.
- 11 Agree Precept request for 2022/2023 {currently £10225} and agree budget for financial year 2022/2023 Proposal circulated by Clerk.**- PC members agreed to accept budget prepared by the Clerk and increase Precept to £10600, vote unanimous. Proposed Ian Tait, Seconded Dan Brickell.
- 12 Note award of grant funding toward new Parish Notice Boards.- Tracie and Martin.** Chairman congratulated Tracie and Martin for their work on this project which had resulted in the awarding of a £3000 grant toward the cost of replacing old notice boards.
- 13 Results of salt bin audit- Tony Schendel.**- Tony not present, Clerk to ask Tony for results of update.
- 14- Bridget Wayman-** Bridget reported that due to the current Covid restrictions Area Board meetings were being held remotely. Bridget also advised that if salt bin top ups are needed she can help arrange this.
- 15 Common Lands- Deb Bateman –** Deb reported that no meeting had been held recently but that one was due when Covid restrictions permitted. Tin Hyde asked PC members to think about how the PC might approach the management of Common Lands in future .This will be a point for discussion at a future meeting.
- 16 AOB. –** None.

Meeting ended 9.12 pm

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

Kevin Stow Clerk to the Council

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