

Knightwick and Doddenham Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held at 19:00 on Monday 16th January 2017 in the Talbot Hotel, Knightwick.

Present;

Chair; Cllr B Munt,

Cllrs: Ms G Evans, F Budden, P Edwards,

County Cllr P Tuthill, Dist Cllr Ms S Rouse.

G M Brewin (Clerk)

Apologies Cllrs Ms M Horton, Ms K L Parkinson, D Steel. Dist Cllr A Warburton.

Visitors - None

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting;

None

Reports; County Councillor, District Councillors, Parish Footpath's Warden et al.

County Cllr P Tuthill reported on progress of the Joint Police/Fire Service control centre at Hindlip, the restructuring of the fire stations at Kidderminster, the energy from waste project at Hartlebury and the progress of the Southern Link Road at Worcester.

Dist Cllr Ms S Rouse reported on current matters at MHDC specifically on developments relating to refuse collection in the area.

The formal meeting commenced at 19:25

Agenda

1.

Apologies for absence and members' declarations of interest.

In noting that all members were present the clerk advised members that there was the need to fill the vacancy left at the last election by co-option.

There were no Declarations of Interest in agenda items.

2.

Confirm the minutes of the Bi-monthly Meeting of the Council - 16th January 2017.

These had been circulated in advance. They were agreed as a true record and signed by the chairman.

3.

Financial Matters;

a) Pay J Garness, Lengthsman acc. Doddenham - £1840.00 +vat - Agreed

b) Pay J Garness, Lengthsman acc. Knightwick - £2000.00 +vat - Agreed

c) Pay Clerk's expenses - year 2016-17 - £60.75 - Agreed

d) Note; Clerk's delegated payments - Village Hall electricity, £13.19 & £12.38. - noted.

4.

Planning Matters;

None.

5.

Sale of the Village Hall

The highest bidder has paid a 10% deposit and completion of the sale should be within the next two weeks.

The clerk was instructed to press matters to a conclusion.

6.

Neighbourhood Plan – Progress etc.

Clerk to report.

The final plan was with MHDC for review. A report was expected in the next few weeks.

7.

Lengthsman

Clerk to report.

The clerk had received two quotations for the lengthsman's work for 2017-8

It was agreed to accept the quotation from Mr R Wilks and the clerk was instructed to complete the contract with WCC Highways with him.

8.

Clerk's Report,

Correspondence, Actions from the previous meeting, etc

a) Maintenance of Knightwick Chapel Churchyard, The clerk read a letter from the Churchwarden regarding the use of a contractor to do this and requesting financial support.

It was agreed that the previous decision to meet costs up to £125 a year should be reiterated.

b) Footpath through the Sunningdale Estate . No action had been taken - he would follow up with the Parish Paths Warden.

He distributed the Worcestershire Local Transport Consultation Plan to members for review and response.

9.

Items for the next meeting

Sale of Village Hall, Maintenance of Knightwick Chapel Churchyard

10.

Confirm the date of the next meeting:

Monday 15th May 2017 at 19:00 hrs in the Talbot Hotel, Knightwick – agreed. This will be the Annual Meeting of the Council and will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 18:30 and immediately following, the Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Knightwick and Doddenham Village Hall Trust.

The meeting closed at 20:05

Minutes confirmed 15th May 2017