

Knightwick and Doddenham Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held at 19:00hrs on Monday 19th July 2021 at the Talbot Hotel, Knightwick.

Present;

Chair, Cllr B Munt

Cllrs: Ms G Evans, Ms K L Parkinson, M J C Bellamy, F Budden, D Steel, G M Brewin (Clerk)

C. Cllr Ms K Hanks, C. Cllrs Ms S Rouse, P Whatley

Apologies: Cllrs Ms M Horton, P Edwards

Visitors: Tim Duckworth from the Knightwick Surgery PPG to discuss agenda item 5 and put forward some ideas for the council to discuss.

Reports; County Councillor, District Councillors

County Cllr Ms K Hanks reported on the activities of the Worcestershire County Council, individual items relating to the parish, - and answered questions on WCC activities.

District Cllrs Ms S Rouse and P Whatley reported on the activities of the MHDC, actions during the epidemic emergency and policy matters to promote new financial activity in the district..

It was agreed to take Mr Tim Duckworth's proposals from the Knightwick Surgery PPG (agenda,5) in advance of the formal meeting.

The formal meeting commenced at 19:45.

Formal Agenda

1.

Apologies for absence and members' declarations of interest.

The apologies from Clls. Ms M Horton and P Edwards were accepted.

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items.

2.

a) Confirm the revised minutes of the Meeting of the Council on 15/03/21 (circulated in advance)

These were agreed and signed by the Chair.

b) Confirm the minutes of the Meeting of the Council on 24/05/21 (circulated in advance)

These were agreed and signed by the Chair.

3.

Financial Matters

a) Note the confirmation of the Council's accounts 2020-21 by the Internal Auditor and the publishing of the Council's Annual Report as required by the The Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 - Noted

b) Note the following payments made by the clerk under the 'Delegated Actions' procedure since the last meeting.

28/06/21 Duffy Regan & Co, Internal Audit of accounts for 2020-21. £60.00 inc vat - Noted

c) Consider making a donation to the Nora Parsons Day Centre.

It was agreed to make a donation of £250.00 to this charity.

d) Note the council's bank balance is £18,835.37 at 30/06/21 (Inc £13,575 Village Hall Charity). - Noted

4.

Planning Matters;

a) Note the clerk's delegated response to:

Application Number, 21/00973/HP, Redlands Doddenham, WR6 5NY

Proposal, Conversion of existing garage into kitchen and erection of detached double garage.

'This Council has no objection to this application.'

b) Respond to Appl. ; 21/00399/FUL, The Lenches Rectory Lane Knightwick, WR6 5QF

Proposal; Erection of stables/store room outbuilding, to include change of use for equestrian use.

The following was agreed, *'This Council has no objection to this application.'*

5.

Consider support for the Knightwick Surgery Patient Participation Group for improvements to the roadway and parking on the old A44. (Cllr K Parkinson to report.)

The council formally discussed the proposals put forward by Mr Tim Duckworth earlier in the evening for improved parking, parking restrictions to prevent congestion and the installation of a pavement on the east side of the roadway.

It was agreed that, as the Surgery had a significant financial profile in the area, the Surgery Consultative Group would draw up a formal plan – in which the council would assist, and then present it to WCC Highways (the roadway and verge area owner) with the support of the council, and County and District councillors.

6.

Consider raising a formal complaint to WCC over the failure of the Highways Department to resolve the limited waiting status of the A44 Lay-by.

It was agreed that the clerk would draft a complaint to the WCC Chief Executive and circulate to members before submission.

7.

Clerk to report.

a) Correspondence, He had received a request for improved visibility at the Highfields Lane – Suckley Road junction and had registered this with WCC Highways.

b) Water quality of the River Teme at Knightwick. The Consumer Affairs office of the Environment Agency had suggested that the scum/froth on the Teme at Knightwick was due to natural causes but the photographs distributed by Cllr M Bellamy appeared to suggest some upstream pollution.

The clerk was asked to contact the River Authority and the Environment Agency and request a full investigation of this matter.

8.

Items for the next meeting

see 6, and 7 above.

9.

Confirm the date of the next meeting:

Monday 27th September 2021 at 19:00 hrs in Broadwas Village Hall – Agreed

The meeting closed at 20:45

Minutes confirmed 27/09/2021