

**The minutes of Knighton on Teme Parish Council Meeting  
held at Knighton on Teme Parish Room at 7.30pm on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2015**

**Present:** Cllrs Miss R Collie, Mrs P Davies, Mrs K Redfern, Messrs C Bevan, J Barnes, J Rugman, R Lear, J Powell.

**In attendance:** Clerk, Mrs Karen Yates.  
Cllr J Rugman chaired the meeting.

- 1) **Apologies:** Cllr C Dell, Cllr K Pollock
- 2) **Register / Declarations of Interest** - none.  
**Dispensations** – none

**Public Question Time**

- 3) **District/County Councillor's Report.** Cllr Pollock's previous report was made available
- 4) **Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 were approved.
- 5) **Correspondence:**
  - a) Items of correspondence noted.
- 6) **Planning**
  - a) There were no applications
  - b) There were no determinations
  - c) Application determined under delegated powers: none.
  - d) SWDP update. A meeting has been arranged for 10/9/15 at County Hall to discuss the proposed main modifications currently under examination prior to consultation. Members to contact the Clerk to attend.

An outline application for Land off Tavern Lane (Ref 15/01157/OUT) for residential development of up to 10 houses had been received too late for this meeting, an extension will be sought.

- 7) **Finance.**
  - a) Clerks salary (£687.96) & expenses (£17.40) agreed.
  - b) Photocopies agreed at £15.96.
  - c) Election expenses agreed at £26.49)
- 8) **Highways**
  - a) Lengthsman Scheme. Invoice for August £192 approved. An overgrown bush is obscuring the 30mph sign below the caravan park and needs cutting back.
  - b) Wildlife verges. Highways have confirmed that the Bickley verge will be reinstated during next year as a RVNR. They also suggested bulb planting and volunteers to monitor other verges rich in wild flowers with a view to possibly creating another RVNR in the parish. Wildlife reports previously supplied are not produced now due to cutbacks.

Cllr Redfern offered advice on how to create a wildflower area similar to that by the West Midland Safari Park near Bewdley which involves killing the grass off first and then sowing seeds.

It was agreed we should encourage daffodil planting, also research into Snakeshead Fritillary. Further general research also agreed.

No response from Teme Valley Wildlife as yet but they have acknowledged our request.

- c) Tanhouse Lane. The road has been inspected again, a works order to re-paint the give way markings will be carried out within 4 weeks. Surface wear has been referred to the works team but was already on an advisory.

**9) Survey / review of community needs.**

The Chairman had drafted a report based on previous discussions which was circulated at the meeting, highlighting how residents can contact us, take part in meetings and how we could encourage further participation from residents. Generally it was agreed this was a positive first move on engaging with our public. It was suggested that examples on what we had done in the past could be included eg Youth Club initiative. A clearer, possibly shorter style was suggested adding that working with local people to achieve goals is the way forward. A revised draft will be circulated at the next meeting.

**10) Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.**

The cast iron cover in the middle of the A456 is loose/sinking opposite Bickley Lane, to be reported.

The road below the caravan park is breaking up again, to be re-reported.

No further interest in the vacancy has been received.

Malvern area meeting on 13/10/15 at County Hall, Planning Officers in attendance to discuss the SWDP.

- 11) Date of next meeting:** 7.30pm on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2015.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed .....  
Chairman

Date .....