

**The minutes of Knighton on Teme Parish Council Meeting
held at Knighton on Teme Parish Room at 7.30pm on 4th October, 2016**

Present: Cllrs Mrs K Redfern, Miss R Collie, Messrs D Hubbard, C Bevan, J Rugman.

In attendance: Clerk, Mrs Karen Yates, Cllr C Dell.
Mr J Rugman chaired the meeting.

- 1) **Apologies:** J Powell, J Barnes, R Lear.
- 2) **Register / Declarations of Interest** – none
Dispensations – none

Public Question Time

- 3) **District/County Councillor's Report.** Cllr Dell agreed to advise us further regarding the BT payphones consultation notice that had appeared on the kiosk in the village. The Council's 5 year plan consultation continues, groups and residents are urged to participate. There are free trees available from the Woodland Trust – to be placed on the next agenda. Cllr Dell asked for any requests to be forwarded for his ward grant. First Aid sessions and health events are being held locally. The MP constituency currently under review suggests a much larger area to be covered in the future. Eastham will not have a temporary bridge as first thought, a new one will be in place next year.
- 4) **Minutes:** Minutes of meeting held on 6th September, 2016 were approved.
- 5) **Correspondence:**
 - a) Items of correspondence noted.
 - b) A request to improve the lighting in the Parish Rooms has been forwarded to the Parish Room committee, and is being looked into.
- 6) **Planning**
 - a) There were no planning applications
 - b) The following determinations were read out
16/01036/HOU. 1 Bickley Corner Cottage, Bickley. Demolition of existing single storey extension and replacement with a two storey extension (retrospective). Approved.
16/00277/FUL. Change of use of traditional brick and tile buildings from agricultural to single residential unit including demolition of adjoining redundant building. Approved.
 - c) Development at Bickley Lane. Nothing to report.
 - d) Station House
- overgrown hedges and trees – the Clerk to request a further update, it was reported that Japanese Knotweed is growing in the grounds.
- 7) **Finance.**
 - a) Clerks salary £232.02
 - b) 2nd quarter accounts for approval – to be placed on the next agenda.

- c) Government capping of highest spending parish councils – consultation.
It has been confirmed that highest spending PC's will be subject to capping from the next financial year. As part of an ongoing consultation, it is also being asked whether this should be extended to all PC's. Noted.

8) **Highways**

- a) Lengthsman Scheme. Account for September to be placed on the next agenda.
- b) State of road above Tavern Lane – reported.
- c) State of road – edge buckled on A456 - reported.
- d) Autumn litter pick. Sunday 30th October. Notices, litter pack and risk assessment completed. To be advertised in the Tenbury Advertiser.
- e) Wildlife verges / review of seeds. The seed packs were generally disappointing with very few seeds growing. To be placed on the next agenda for further discussion.
- f) Hedge below Tavern Lane – Cllr Hubbard has spoken with the landowner who has agreed to cut it back.
- g) Fallen tree along A456 – removed.
- h) Noisy manhole cover on A456 – to be reported.
- i) Damaged seat outside Maes Court. On 17th September, this seat was damaged, it is suspected by a vehicle. It has been reported to the police and the insurance company contacted.

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

Trees available from the Woodland Trust to be placed on the next agenda.
BT payphones consultation to be placed on the next agenda.
Lindridge PC had contacted us regarding the local transport plan and a response they are collating regarding improving road safety. This was noted.

- 10) **Date of next meeting:** 7.30pm on Tuesday 1st November, 2016.

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

Signed

Chairman

Date