The minutes of Knighton on Teme Parish Council Meeting held at Knighton on Teme Parish Room at 7.30pm on 2nd December, 2014

Present: Cllrs Messrs J Rugman, C Bevan, R Lear. **In attendance**: Clerk, Mrs Karen Yates, 1 member of the public Cllr J Rugman chaired the meeting.

- 1) Apologies: R Lewis, J Powell, R Collie, C Dell
- 2) Register / Declarations of Interest.

Dispensations – none

Public Question Time

3) District/County Councillor's Report.

4) **Minutes**: Minutes of the meeting held on 4th November, 2014 were approved.

5) **Correspondence**:

- a) Items of correspondence noted.
- b) Request for removal / relocation of post box at The Old Post Office, NB. This is still being progressed.
- c) Station Yard tidiness of site. Completed.

6) Planning

a) There were two planning applications

14/01482/HOU. The Old Post Office, NB. Lowering of kerb to front A443. Recommend approval.

14/01134/CLE. Knighton Lodge, KoT. Lawful development certificate for the existing use of former Public House together with existing flat as a single dwelling. No comments regarding the facts as stated.

- b) The following determination was granted: Upper Lowbourn, KoT. Conversion of existing single storey outbuilding into ancillary residential accommodation.
- c) Application determined under delegated powers: none.

7) Finance.

a) Draft budget / precept. A second draft budget had been prepared following further information received regarding election fees and subscriptions. Election fees are estimated at £600 for a contested election, £26.49 if uncontested. Following a further review of reserves, it was identified that these are healthy and should an election occur, fees could be paid from the reserves. It was further suggested that £300 be put towards increasing the grants as follows: £150 each to Temespan, Knighton on Teme PCC, Lindridge Pre-school and Tenbury CAB. £300 should be put towards decreasing the precept.

A precept of £4520 will be requested.

The above was proposed by J Rugman, seconded by C Bevan, all agreed.

- b) Review of bank signatories. All forms and ID have been taken into the bank, the Clerk will check progress.
- c) Clerks salary (£673.14) & expenses (£19.22) were approved.
- d) Photocopies charges amounting to £12.00 were made payable to Brimfield & Little Hereford GPC.

8) Highways

- a) Lengthsman Scheme. Ian's account for November was approved £160.
- b) Noticeboard at Bickley J Powell to advise.
- c) State of Church Lane/Hill vegetation overgrowth. Completed.
- d) Risk assessments Concerns raised regarding the seat at Maes Court, the bus shelter and the notice board at Wyrebrook Orchard are in hand.

9) Vacancy for a Parish Councillor.

No other applications have come forward apart from Jonathan Barnes. It was proposed by C Bevan, seconded by J Rugman to co-opt Jonathan as a member, the Clerk will contact him.

10) Councillors' reports and items for future agenda.

Work has been carried out below Tavern Lane on the highway, clarification has been sought. A passing place at the top of Aston Bank which is used by vehicles has developed into a large hole. Clarification will be sought from highways where responsibility lies.

The hole in the verge between Aston Court and Aston Bank Farm has finally been repaired.

11) **Date of next meeting**: 7.30pm on Tuesday 6th January, 2015.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed	Date
Chairman	