

KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18th February 2025

PRESENT: Councillors J Mayhew (Chair), J Clements, N Black, L Hayward Clerk D Sanders & SCC TJ Haworth-Culf

The meeting commenced at 19:30

1. APOLOGIES –ESC K Graham due to other commitments- approved by council.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Nothing

3. MINUTES – Approval of minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st January 2025.

Proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Clements and thus agreed by the Parish Council to accept the Minutes of the last meeting.

4. TRAFFIC CALMING COMMITTEE – provide update.

Chair closed the meeting at 19:31 and opened to the traffic calming committee.

The chair of the committee provided an update from the surveys.

4.1 132 surveys have been returned so far, which is fantastic

4.2 Many letters and suggestions have been documented, mainly a crossing for Judith Avenue

4.3 Results will be formulated at the next meeting and an action plan will be discussed.

4.4 Clerk provided an update from highways regarding a zebra crossing, the following points were highlighted

- 1) A number of bends, which will restrict visibility between the pedestrian and driver.
- 2) There is a culvert just north of Judith Avenue, which will restrict ducting for electrical supply and the installation of the signal pole.
- 3) There is also another junction nearby (Post Office Road), it would need to be ensured that any vehicle exiting could align their vehicle correctly before they reach the crossing stop line.
- 4) A number of private drives, restricting the positioning of the crossing point.
- 5) Position of underground services.

Clerk have proceeded in asking for a feasibility study quote.

4.5 Clerk provided an update from Rebecca Quigg regarding the TRG – here is the response -

“The Transport Review Group have agreed to install a monitoring point on the B1069 in Knodishall, which means that in our biannual traffic monitoring periods, a week in April and in October, we will monitor the speed and frequency of the traffic through that point.

As we understand how the traffic is behaving, the TRG look at the data and identify points where there is a need to investigate further mitigatory measures. If the figures show us there's a significant issue at Knodishall, then we would investigate further, but we'll have the evidence of what sort of traffic and what speeds we're looking to help with.

The sorts of measures within the survey would need significant planning, design and so on (and cost, of course); we wouldn't be doing that lightly or without significant discussion”

4.6 Clerk have reached out to TJ SCC and Katie ESC for support on this matter which was received with a great response.

4.7 The other post has been agreed and a work pack completed, work should commence asap.

4.8 TJ SCC stated that any speeding should be reported to the police.

4.9 Chair mentioned that they attempted to install the SID by crisps however following a dynamic risk assessment, they felt they needed 3 people to carry out the install, a new date has been arranged for the 2nd March 2025

Chair invited TJ to share SCC report at 19:47

TJ began by outlining key point from the report which can be found on the Knodishall website however in particular discussed the Lionlink project and the preferred route that has been mentioned being at Walberswick instead of Southwold to avoid tourism interference. TJ expressed the need to support and engagement for these projects.

TJ also announced that SCC can fully fund the post for the SID device which was received with thanks from council.

Cllr Clements asked who to contact from SZC as witnessed suspicious activity regarding parking up and picking up workers – TJ asked if photographic evidence could be send directly to her and will go straight to the top.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING

5.1 Thanks given to all donations

5.2 I have registered the SID device for data tracking

5.3 Mr Murphy contacted me regarding the newsletter – has asked me to send a letter to the village hall so sarah can write to all groups to collate – I will pursue with funding.

Chair closed the meeting at 19:52 and welcomed Mr Murphy to discuss.

Mr Murphy felt that the newsletter would be good and that the village has a voice and have agreed with Sarah to collate all the information send them across to Leiston Press, already they have identified 10 organisation that would use the newsletter to provide village news and updates. Clerk will formulate a letter to Sarah outlining funding and terms, it was agreed to send to chair to authorise content.

5.4 Cllr Graham is chasing the nature signs for us

Chair opened the meeting again at 20:00

6. PLANS –

6.1 DC/25/0102/FUL - New single storey side extension : replacement of existing to larger Footprint - Black Barn Cottage, The Common, Knodishall, Saxmundham, Suffolk IP17

1UZ – No comment or objections

6.2 DC/24/4546/OUT - Outline Application (All Matters Reserved) - Except access comprising 16 dwellings (5 affordable) - Land At , School Road, Knodishall, Suffolk, IP17 1TT – The parish council were concerned that the drawings are not accurate as does not show the river hundred, in addition concerns of interference with the watercourse, influx of traffic providing inappropriate roads for access – council unanimously object this planning.

6.3 DC/25/0531/DRR - Discharge of Requirement 22 (2) (i) (Stakeholder Communications Plan) of East Anglia ONE North Offshore Wind Farm Development Consent Order - East Anglia ONE North Offshore Wind Farm , Thorpeness, Aldringham Cum

Thorpe, Suffolk, - no comment at this time

6.4 DC/25/0532/DRR - Discharge of Requirement 22 (2) (i) (Stakeholder Communications Plan) of East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm Development Consent Order - East Anglia TWO Offshore Wind Farm , Thorpeness, Aldringham Cum

Thorpe, Suffolk, - no comment at this time

7. PLAY AREA

7.1 Chair met with Mr Alexander to look at works within the play area and will provide a quote to carry out various tasks

7.2 Clerk to look at other handy man options

7.3 Chair raised concerns regarding grass cutting and we need to determine what grass is not cut by East Suffolk Council (not blowers) Chair formulated a list and will look at a contractor to take this on.

8. SCHOOL ROAD

8.1 Clerk obtained a quote of £552 for 10 tonnes of plainings

8.2 Chair said that the road should be scraped first

8.3 Clerk to ask John Bridges if he can help

8.4 Chair to ask MJB to get a quote

9. APPROVE SALC AS INTERNAL AUDITOR 1st April 24-31st March 25

This was approved – proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Clements

10. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

10.1 Cllr Clements gave a brief update regarding the proposed plans for the new nursery building, it has been raised if contractors can have access to the car park to store materials – this was agreed by Council.

11. CORRESPONDANCE - None

12. FINANCIAL

The February 2025 financial statement was reviewed and approved. Proposed by Cllr Clements and seconded by Cllr Hayward.

12.1 A total of £1836.86 for payments was approved

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 18th March 2025

The Parish Council meeting was closed by the Chair at 20:34hrs and opened to the residents in attendance.

Mr & Mrs Keep of 31 Leiston Road attended the meeting to discuss the hedge outside their property which is a result of a few complaints – it was explained that the hedge is very maintained and should not cause an issue moving forward, furthermore requested for a mirror to be installed opposite the track from St Andrews Road to make it easier for users to enter Leiston Road as this can be dangerous. Clerk to write to Crisps and ask if a mirror can be installed on the building.

Meeting Closed at 20:42

