

KNODISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21st JANUARY 2025

PRESENT: Councillors J Mayhew (Chair), J Clements, N Black, KPC L Hayward, Clerk D Sanders

The meeting commenced at 19:30

1. APOLOGIES –SCC TJ Haworth-Culf – unable to attend due to other commitments - approved by council.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Nothing

3. MINUTES – Approval of minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th December 2024. 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. CLERK’S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING

Clerk provided an update regarding Hillcrest Road – quotes have been collated and will be discussed with the owners of the land to split.

5. PLANS – DC/24/4431/FUL, Manor Farm, Grove Road, Knodishall, Saxmundham, Suffolk IP17 1TL - Change of use for ground mounted solar PV array – no comment or objections.

6. PLAY AREA

6.1 Picnic bench has been delivered.

6.2 goal posts have been delivered.

6.3 no update on someone to carry out maintenance tasks however Cllr Mayhew will arrange a date.

6.4 Councillors agreed to meet at 2pm on Sunday 26th January at the play area to discuss improvements, inspect new bench and assemble goal posts.

7. DONATIONS – to approve.

7.1 Donations approved by council – proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Black

Receiptant	2025
Knodishall Brownies	£100.00
Knodishall Village Hall	£300.00
Knodishall Playgroup	£250.00
Knodishall PCC (Churchyard Fund)	£300.00
Leiston Citizens Advice	£50.00
Leiston First Responders	£250.00
Leiston Town Council (Library fund)	£50.00
Total	£1,300.00

7.2 Clerk will notify groups by letter followed by payment within 7 days.

8. TRAFFIC CALMING COMMITTEE – provide update

Chair closed the meeting at 19:43 to discuss the traffic calming.

8.1 Chair Ruth Hardy began by saying that all leaflets are ready to be distributed on 31st Jan/1st Feb.

8.2 Clerk have arranged for a post box for the leaflets outside the village notice board – Ruth has been given a key to manage responses

8.3 Response received from the Leeway house, and they were concerned on restrictions the post for the SID may cause, there the post will be located further down the road which may be better suited anyway – TJ – SCC to help with costs.

8.4 SIDS have been delivered and the post by the crisps garage will be erected first then wait for second post to be installed.

8.5 clerk provided an update after reaching out to the SZC committee fund in hope to get a head start on the very large application and they responded saying that our funding does not apply to this and will need to pursue with the highways management programme, Clerk reached out and was informed that the TRG was meeting and B1069 will be added to the traffic calming programme and will be in touch with more details following the meeting.

8.6 Clerk mentioned that it is still worth while pursuing the questionnaire to residents as this still provides data to introduce calming measure along the B1069.

9. MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

9.1 Cllr Black mentioned that the hedge row outside 31 Leiston Road still has not been cut back which is causing obstruction – Clerk to write a letter as a reminder.

9.2 Cllr Black stated he still has not planted the bulbs and contacted John Staff about the parking signs however plans to do so before the next meeting.

9.3 Cllr Clements raised the issue of the posts being a hazard when in the dark and asked if we can apply some reflective tape – clerk to find something.

9.4 Cllr Mayhew has spoken to Mr Murphy regarding a couple of issues outstanding

1. The newsletter - asked if each report can be charged, council discussed this and wasn't viable – clerk to ask Cllr Graham if funding is still available and an expiry to apply.
2. School Road – by the forge has got bad and requires attention – council discussed that it needs levelling before filling – Cllr Mayhew to ask Mr Murphy of costs to sort as he mentioned he obtained some prices. Will be on agenda next month.

10. CORRESPONDANCE - nothing

11. FINANCIAL

The January 2025 financial statement was reviewed and approved. Proposed by Cllr Clements and seconded by Cllr Black.

18.1 A total of £10381.12 for payments was approved

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 18th February 2025

The Parish Council meeting was closed by the Chair at 20:15hrs.