

**Minutes of a Meeting of Knapton Parish Council held on
Tuesday 3rd November 2015 at 7.30 pm in Knapton Village Hall**

Present: David Bishop-Laggett (Chairman), Andre Claydon, Peter Kaye, Pat Lee, Alan Young. Cllr Nick Coppack, Cllr Northam Wymdham (8.15).

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Mary Allen, Sue Wilkins.
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th October:** A few small amendments had been received from NNDC only that afternoon and had not yet been seen. It was agreed these amendments be made and circulated to the PC and the Minutes to be agreed at the December meeting.
- 3. Matters Arising:** DH to send the notes from the public meeting held with NNDC and Victory Housing on 22nd April 2013 to Steve Blatch and John Rust of NNDC.
- 4. Finance, Precept and Budget for 2016/17:** the clerk circulated a spread sheet showing a current credit balance of £5,497, and the budget for 2016/17 showed an anticipated credit balance of £5760 in March 2017. AY proposed and PK seconded that the precept should remain the same (£4250). Three cheques were signed and it was agreed that donations of £100 should be shared between Air Ambulance (£50), Age Concern and Norfolk Citizens Advice Bureau (£25 each). DH to write accordingly.
- 5. Declarations of Interest:** None.

The meeting closed at 745 to allow Cllr NC to speak. (i) Mrs Sheila Oxtoby Chief Executive NNDC would now share her role with Great Yarmouth as would the NNDC head of finance. Devolution was being carefully looked at as a way of cutting costs by perhaps 40%. NC reassured the meeting that the amendments to the Minutes of 1st October were minor and in order to be sure everything was correctly recorded. NC said it was important for the PC to make clear exactly what use they had for the land on the Millennium Field. It was not known what plans Victory Housing had at this time as their funding was restricted. There

had been no meeting between VH and NNDC since the October 1st meeting.

- 6. Millennium Field:** DBL asked the PC for comments. PL said nothing

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could be decided until the PC knew VH`s plans. PK asked if the PC could

receive NNDC minutes of the April 2013 meeting. NC thought it was

unlikely there were any. AY was distressed that he had supported the VH plan and been against the Village Green application purely because he and the PC had been led to believe that land, as had been stated at a public meeting by VH and NNDC in April 2013, would be given for the benefit of the village. NC said that due to lack of funding VH would only build the number of homes they needed to be viable. DBL asked whether the PC should ask Norman Lamb (MP) to get involved. Not until it was clear what VH were applying for. AY said there was now a lack of trust between the PC and NNDC since Steve Blatch had made it clear that now no land (except the car park) would be available to Knapton. AY had tried to think of anything NNDC had done for Knapton, without success.

NC would talk to Steve Blatch, John Rust and Nicola Turner (NNDC)

before the nextPC meeting.

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- 7. Footpath to Mundesley:** Nearly all the land was now clear. There would be an opening `walk` and if the path was used, signs would be discussed.
- 8. Land at Fourways, Mundesley:** The Deed of Transfer had been signed and returned to the solicitors acting for Mundesley PC.

9. **Madra** Nothing to report.
10. **Possible work on The Scrape, Knapton:** AC to ask the contractor currently on the land whether he would be able to do this.
11. **Any Other Business:** (i) AY asked whether correspondence could be circulated. There was now very little as it was almost all by e mail, but the remainder would be circulated. (ii) A letter had been received that afternoon from Sally Dodd complaining of a shot gun being fired from the allotments towards her garden. PL reported that the PC Green from North Walsham police had attended and that two people who were on the allotments at the time the shot was fired had confirmed that the shot did not come from the allotments. **DH** to write to Sally Dodd.
12. **Date of next Meeting:** Tuesday 1st December.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 9.10pm