

KNEESALL. KERSALL & OMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

30 APRIL 2024

1. **Present:** R Taylor (Chairman), C Cutts, Mrs L Fidler, Mrs S Smith, T Kirk
R Greenland (Clerk) & County Councillor Mrs S Michael
2. **Apologies:** None
3. **Public Participation:** Although no public were present at the meeting Dr M Loudon had asked Cllr Cutts raise the matter regarding the possible closure of a number Refuse Centres in the county by Nottinghamshire County Council including the site at Bilsthorpe. He had stated that a petition had been started against the closure.
4. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** – 6 February 2024 – were confirmed **RT/LF**
5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes:**
 - a. **School Defibrillator** – Cllr Cutts had spoken with the PCC regarding re-siting the defibrillator currently sited at Kneesall School in the Church Porch. Re-siting is not a problem but the PCC appear to have some reservations feeling it should be covered during such events as weddings. An electrician will be required to assist with the installation. The proposed re-siting has come about as a result of the Education department installing a new defibrillator within the School Building rather than outside as at present.
 - b. **Spare Defibrillator Items** – Cllr Taylor will purchase expired defibrillator items – battery, pads & gloves.
 - c. **Ompton Defibrillator** – The Clerk is arranging the payment and delivery of the defibrillator for Ompton.
6. **Correspondence: (In)**

A multitude of e-mails have been received many of which have been circulated to councillors and included Planning Advisory notices, other than one for Smalley House in School Lane, Kneesall, others were not applicable to Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton. Further e-mails were received from the GNR Organisation regarding the proposed Solar Panel siting in the area following various public meetings.

Kings Portrait – Cllr Taylor advised that it had been received.

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Via East Midlands – Potholes & Road repairs.

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7. **Finance:** Cllr Kirk advised that it been agreed to make a £500 donation to the Kneesall Village Community Project.

NALC (Subscription) £104.00

Hall Hire (Kneesall Village Community Project) £30.00

Defibrillator £753.00 + Spare Equipment (R Taylor) £272.53

Donation Kneesall Village Community Centre £500.00

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8. **Great North Road Solar Park:** - 20 Parishes, including Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton, had compiled and distributed surveys regarding the proposed creation of numerous sites in the area. In Kneesall, Kersall & Ompton over 200 were distributed but the response, number wise, was poor.

9. **Flooding:** A small committee of Ompton residents had a meeting with Notts CC representatives who are working on ways to avoid the possibility of further flooding in the future.

10. **Kneesall Village – Anti Social Behaviour** – A CCTV camera has been installed on Ossington Road and other than some fireworks being set off the situation has remained largely quiet.

11. **Village Road Works – Ossington Road & Baulk Lane.** Repairs “patching” has been carried out on Ossington Road as far as School Lane but the length between School Lane and the Laxton Cross Roads remains in a poor state of repair.

Baulk Lane – Despite numerous communications with Via Baulk Lane has been “patched” again and now looks like a series of “mole hills”. 126 holes have been “patched” rather than the Lane resurfaced! Further complaints have been made to Via and a letter is to be sent to County Councillor Bruce Laughton.

12. **Other Matters:**

Cllr Cutts – Advised that children had been playing on the Boules playing area. There was a polite response and they left the area. However, there is a problem that there is nowhere that young children can play sport including football in the area. The school is entirely fenced and access is not allowed out of school time. The grassed play area with swings etc is overgrown and there has been no grass cutting for some time. It was suggested that part of the car park area could possibly be temporarily roped off to allow children to have a “kick about” for a time. However, should vehicles be parked there on occasions there is the possible risk of damage to them.

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