

**Minutes of the Bi-Monthly Meeting of Knaith Parish Council held in the
Village Hall on Monday 8th July 2024 @ 6.30pm**

Present: Councillor D. Belton (Chairman)
Councillor D. Randall
Councillor W. Stanser
Councillor S. Bowdler
Councillor A. Morphet
District Councillor E. Bailey
Mrs E. Coulson (Clerk)

1/7/24. Apologies for absence

Councillor Breeze sent apologies. Apologies accepted.

2/7/24. To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to receive any applications for Dispensation. Members may make declarations at this point but also make them at any point during the meeting.

Councillor Stanser declared an interest with regards Village Hall matters as he is a member of The Village Hall Management Committee.

3/7/24. To approve the Minutes of the last meeting on 10th June 2024.

The Minutes have been circulated and it was proposed by Councillor Randall, seconded by Councillor Belton, and **resolved** to sign as a true record.

4/7/24. Clerk's report on Outstanding Matters

Highways & Ditches

Flooding on Knaith Bends

I contact Martin Snaith with regards Knaith bends still flooding. Please see his response below:

I have spoken with the contractor, and this is scheduled to be jetted either this week or next. I have asked for feedback on the site to look at further works if these are required.

Visibility at Junction

I emailed Martin Snaith:

We have been having trouble with residents parking right at the junction off Willingham Road leading to Upton Road which has led to a number of drivers highlighting that this makes the junction dangerously blind when pulling out onto Willingham Road from Upton Road. The Parish Council has done a leaflet to highlight this issue, but the problem is still happening. The Parish Council was just wondering if double yellow lines on this corner is a possibility and if so, how do we go about applying for them please.

His response was as follows

This will need to be put in on "Fix my Street" as this would be a request to our TRO section to look at the issues raised and the possibility of some form of restrictions. It will need County Cllr backing for this. With entering the details on fix my street, it will give you a reference number to refer to at any time.

- a) Reported on Fix My Street – 2811028
- b) District Cllr Bailey has been in contact with County Councillor Butroid, and he has confirmed he has backed this. The Clerk has contacted the TRO department for confirmation as on Fix My Street the case has been closed.

HGV Restrictions

I emailed Martin Snaith:

Due to road works currently in Gainsborough, the roundabout works at the bottom of Foxby Hill, we are seeing an increase in traffic through Knaith Park with HGV's using Upton Road/Padmoor Road on a regular basis. The Parish Council are concerned as we believe this road is unsuitable for HGV's especially as it has a small humpback bridge over a brook. Our question is, could 'Unsuitable for HGV's' signs be installed if this is the case. That back road is in bad condition as it is, and the bridge was only recently repaired.

His response was as follows:

If this can also be put in on "Fix My Street" as this will need to go to our TSP department to look at and potentially put out additional Signage. They will need to assess the situation first as this is possibly a direct result of their works.

- a) Reported on Fix My Street – 2811027
- b) Action has been scheduled: *We have an update. Our highways team have issued this work out to one of their delivery gangs. We'll let you know when the job is complete.*

Heynings Court

I was contacted by a resident on Heynings Court who raised the following concerns:

1. No maintenance on road. A quad has visited the court but on to spray weedkiller.
2. Rod sweeper has been told not to sweep Heynings Court as the block paving has grit between it.
3. The paths are not great for the demographic of people that live in Heynings Court.

Discounts Councillor Bailey highlighted that WLDC have the contract from LCC. **Action: EC to contact LCC for maintenance plan.**

Defibrillator Maintenance

I am meeting with Claire Morris 9.30am 08.07.24. I will provide an update at the meeting.

I met Claire Morris of WLDC, to go over how to check the Defibrillator. She did mention that our machine was an older version and at some point, the parts will be discontinued. The box is not very well signed, and she agreed to get a new sticker on the front box.

5/7/24. Correspondence

- a. General Correspondence – List circulated.

6/7/24. Financial Matters

- a. Financial Statement to 31st March 2024 – With payments totalling £180.00 and receipts of £5,161.35 It was **resolved** that the Chairman would sign the statement for the record.

7/7/24. Solar Farms

- Tillbridge Solar Project – Register
- Gate Burton Solar Project – Under the new Government, this project has been approved.
Councillor Bowdler - We now need serious consideration of what we want
 - Traffic Management Plans
 - CCTV – Would not be supported by Gate Burton
 - Private Solar – Would not be supported by Gate Burton
 - Cheaper electricity – Would be supported by Gate Burton as they are not a supplier.
 - Use of Trent for moving supplies

Knaith Parish Council can not take the decision to a judicial review. The view would be to take all 4 projects directly affecting this area to be reviewed as one.

As a Parish Council we really need to understand the Traffic Management Plan (TMP). **Action Councillor Bowdler to review.**

It was also proposed that a leaflet be circulated to attract residents' views. **Action Councillor Belton.**

8/7/24. Speed Initiatives

Councillor Breeze will arrange a date for another Speed Awareness Exercise with Councillor Randall/Councillor Belton.

9/7/24. Appraisal

Appraisal date has been set for 22nd July 2024.

10/7/24. EV Charging Points

Councillor Stanser checked with the insurance company, and they have verified that the EV points would need to be installed and maintained by an Electrician but practically the Village Hall is not suitable for the EV points.

11/7/24. Proposed Parish Council Meeting Dates

9th September 2024

11th November 2024

13th January 2025

12/7/24. Items of information to be noted and if necessary, dealt with at the next meeting.

1. Neighbourhood Plan.

13/7/24. Date for next meeting

A date was set for the next Bi-Monthly meeting, 9th September @ 7.30pm. With the first proposed public meeting before at 6.30pm.

With all business concluded the meeting closed at 7.24pm.

Signed Dated