

MINUTES OF THE KEELE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Held on Thursday 8th August 2013 at 7.00 p.m. at Keele Village Hall, The Village, Keele

Attendees: Parish Cllrs Mrs Naylor (Chair), Ms Newman, Mrs Abercrombie, Mr Hindmarch, Mrs Hughes, Cllr Studd, Mr Downing

Clerk – Mrs C Dillow

Guests: County Cllr Mr D Huckfield, Mr D McCarthy Welfare Officer Keele University

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13/579	<p>Apologies received through Clerk Apologies received from: Rev Tillier, Mrs Corfield, Mrs Studd and Mr Bibby</p>
13/580	<p>Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda: None declared</p>
13/581	<p>To consider approving and signing minutes of the last Parish Council meeting held 11th July 2013 These were approved and signed as a true and accurate record. Cllr Mrs Naylor reported that Britain in Bloom went well.</p>
13/582	<p>Public Participation: None</p>
13/583	<p>To receive an update on the bus movement review in Keele Village and University Campus The clerk read out an email received from Mr P Butters regarding Bakers bus company announcing they are ending the x75 service between Keele Village, Knutton and Silverdale. Members raised concerns that removal of this service will badly disadvantage residents to the North East of the Ward and student demand for the service is a clear issue. Resolved Cllrs support negotiations of a variable/seasonal type of service could be negotiated? Clerk to write letter to Transport Officer at Staffordshire County Council. Mr McCarthy added that a letter has already been sent to the bus companies from the Students Union.</p>
13/584	<p>Clerk's Report and Financial Statement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To approve payments/orders, receipts and transfers as attached – see Appendix 1 <p>The payments were approved in accordance with Appendix 1</p>
13/585	<p>Chairman and Portfolio Reports Chairman's Update (Parish Cllr Naylor)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note issues included in Chairman's report and consider for future agenda <p>Mrs Naylor reported the landowner of the hedges in Station Road has agreed to get them cut back. Regarding the trees in Knights Croft and the School, Mrs Naylor has meet with the landowner of the field behind Knights Croft who has agreed to a certain amount of work being done, taking out trees and reducing hedge lines, the school trees are causing the main problems, Mr Downing will raise the issue with Peter Stephan of Newcastle Borough Council for advice and report back to the September meeting. Mrs Naylor also reported that there are 3 large trees in Aspire ground that are overshadowing the bungalows. Members all agreed the clerk should write a letter to Aspire regarding the need for the trees to be thinned.</p>
13/586	<p>Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To review the term of Chairman under standing orders <p>Resolved Standing order No 2.b (iii) will not be altered.</p>

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13/587	<p>Highways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive update on street signs <p>The clerk reported that she has now managed to speak with Phil Gooding of Newcastle Borough Council who has assured that all the signs requested are going to be replaced / fixed, the signs are with the fitters, they are just waiting on a date for the work to be carried out. Cllr Huckfield added if there are any further problem areas in the village concerning the pavements and roads could we let him know. Resolved Cllrs to send clerk a list of problem areas in the village to be forwarded to Cllr Huckfield and clerk to contact Madeley Parish Council to see if the joint project footpath from Keele to Madeley Heath can be reviewed?</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p>
13/588	<p>Dog Fouling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive an update on yellow painted signs <p>The clerk reported she has spoken with David Beardmore at Newcastle Borough Council who is currently in talks with another council about the possibility of yellow painted signs on pavements but it is not something that the Borough Council currently provides, also he mentioned that there is scope for representatives of parish councils to spend time with dog wardens and could obtain a legal power to issue tickets if they witness dog fouling. Resolved clerk to contact David Beardmore, Keele Parish Council would like to be a trial council for the yellow painted signs, especially around the school, if this is possible and would like to request some more small dog fouling signs be placed around the village.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Clerk</p>
13/589	<p>Approach from Keele Homes Ltd – Mrs Naylor</p> <p>Mrs Naylor has been approached by Mr Brown of Keele Homes who has purchased the site on Quarry Bank Rd / Pepper Street requesting to meet with the Parish Council to discuss his proposals for the site. Resolved Councillors who are available will meet with Mr Brown in Keele Village Hall on Monday August 12th at 7.00pm, Mrs Naylor to request that Mr Brown covers the cost of hiring the Village Hall</p>
13/590	<p>Village Campaigns – Hawthorns Application – Mrs Naylor</p> <p>Mrs Naylor confirmed that the Parish Council's response to the application has been submitted, there are 2 campaigns going on in the village but they are nothing to do with the Parish Council.</p> <p>Mr Hindmarch added that the Borough Council has still not responded to the questions raised concerning planning applications 13/00424/FUL and 13/00425/CON, it was agreed a further letter will be sent to Rachel Killeen on letter headed paper. Cllr R Studd requested it be minuted that he took no part in this discussion and would have declared an interest at the start of the meeting had he of known it was going to be raised.</p>
13/591	<p>Amenities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive an update on the Rural Runabout (Mrs A Studd) <p>Mrs Studd was absent from the meeting. Cllr R Studd reported that there has been no further meeting since the last report.</p>
13/592	<p>Planning</p> <p>To provide and agree comments on planning applications received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13/00479/FUL 44 Station Road , Keele, Two Storey rear / side extension and replacement garage <p>Resolved to recommend that the application is not supported as there is concern that the development would represent overdevelopment of a pair of small period cottages.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive an update from the parish plan working group (Cllr Hindmarch) <p>Mr Hindmarch reported that a meeting had been held and lots of discussions had taken place, it is all going well. James Peacock and Victoria Taylor were in</p>

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	attendance; James is going to look at getting more people involved.
13/593	<p>Village Hall Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To receive an update from the Village Hall Management Advisory Committee (parish Cllrs Hughes). <p>Mrs Hughes confirmed a letter from the Village Hall Committee re the Hawthorns application has been submitted. Cllr Studd added lettings of the village hall are going up. Mrs Naylor asked Mrs Hughes to pass on congratulations to the committee from the Parish Council.</p>
13/594	<p>To consider support for Keele Parish Council applications received - (unspent balance £250.00)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider request for funding from St Johns Primary School <p>Resolved to move to next agenda as information was unavailable, Clerk to re send application form to Mr Downing for completion by the school if they still wish to go ahead.</p>
13/595	<p>To receive an update on Keele and Silverdale Locality Action Partnership (Parish Cllr Abercrombie)</p> <p>Mrs Abercrombie reported that Asbourne Drive and Quarry Bank Rd are off the agenda as far as LAP are concerned, they need to speak to Silverdale Parish Council and Gareth Snell to see if he will do walk with Mrs Naylor / Mrs Abercrombie and Mr Hindmarch, date to be arranged. There are no crime and disorder figures available for Keele again. Mrs Abercrombie reported that not all LAPS have agreed to the constitution to date and there are concerns it may affect Parish Councils. Mrs Naylor and Mrs Abercrombie to arrange a date to meet with Mike Nadin Chairman of Silverdale Parish Council to discuss in more detail and will seek advice from SPCA</p>
13/596	<p>To receive an update on Staffordshire Parish Councils Association (Parish Cllr Naylor)</p> <p>Nothing to report for this meeting</p>
13/597	<p>To receive an update from Borough Standards Committee (Parish Cllr Naylor)</p> <p>Nothing to report for this meeting.</p>
13/598	<p>To receive an update from Borough Sports Council (Parish Cllr Downing)</p> <p>Nothing to report for this meeting.</p>
13/599	<p>To receive an update from Borough/County Councillor – Cllr D Huckfield , Cllr R Studd and Cllr T Kearon</p> <p>Cllr Studd reported there is nothing on the joint parking committee agenda for Keele. It was noted that there is a concern regarding the Hawthorns Application and the Parish Councils decision to fail to deliver a 5 year housing supply, if we as a council can't do this then decisions to Borough Council are restricted. Cllr Huckfield reported that a special grid has been sanctioned in Pepper Street to go in toward the end of the year to collect rubbish; there is just the matter of getting someone to empty it on a regular basis.</p>
13/600	<p>Papers and correspondence received</p> <p>Nothing to report for this meeting</p>
13/601	<p>Items for Future Agenda/Decisions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog Fouling / Yellow painted Signs • Update on Buses • Knights Croft tree issue • LAP constitution • Footpath from Madeley Heath to Keele Joint Project
13/602	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p>

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- Thursday 12th September, St Johns School, Quarry Bank, Keele
- Thursday 10th October, Keele Sustainability Hub, Keele University, Keele

Meeting Closed at 8.55pm