

**Minutes of a Meeting of Knapton Parish Council held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>  
December at 7.30pm in Knapton Village Hall**

**Present:** David Bishop-Laggett (Chairman), Mary Allen, Andrew Claydon, Peter Kaye, Pat Lee, Sue Wilkins, Dee Holroyd (Clerk).

- 1. Apologies for Absence:** Peter Kaye, Alan Young.
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st November:** were agreed and signed by the Chairman. Proposed MA, seconded AC.
- 3. Matters Arising:** PL asked whether the bark for the playground had been ordered. It had been agreed that this would be in place by Christmas. PL to check with Alan Young and order if necessary.
- 4. Finance:** The clerk reported a credit balance of £4982 after all accounts paid.
- 5. Madra Lease:** No further progress reported.
- 6. Community Bus:** An appeal had been received. The bus was used by Knapton residents and it was agreed a donation of £25 should be given by the PC.
- 7. Correspondence:** (i) A note from Alan Young re the Methodist Chapel was read out. The PC had put in a bid of £67,000, (£2,500 above the suggested asking price), but had failed to acquire the chapel. (ii) Other correspondence was circulated.
- 8. Any Other Business:** (i) A letter had been received from NNDC about the possible removal of some `phone boxes, Knapton among them. It was agreed that the village wished to retain the phone box. DH to inform NNDC. (ii) Anglia Water had postponed the proposed work in Hall Lane due to the large number of emergencies requiring their attention. (iii) PL reported water lying in Pond Lane due to a blocked culvert. DH to inform Highways. (iv) The hedge surrounding the Millennium Field had finally been cut by NNDC, but a very poor job had been done. DBL had tried to reach someone responsible at NNDC and would

continue to ask (a) what the cost had been to NNDC and (b) whether they intended to return and improve the cut. (iii) DBL said he would like to retire as Chairman in January and asked everyone to consider who might replace him.

**9. Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2017**