

BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 10th November, 2021 at Scout HQ, Cromer Rd., Beeston Regis. – 7pm.

Covid 19 – At the request of the Chairman the appropriate restrictions and guidelines were in place.

Present: M.Knowles (Chair), R.Smith, M.Roffe, M.Wright, N.Wright, C.Goodwin, R.Beckley, and the Clerk. Also present was Patrick Peal (Deputy Lieutenant for Nfk)

Prior to the meeting Patrick Peal stated that it was an honour and pleasure to present the Parish Covid Memorial Plaque to M.Knowles to mark the resilience of the community during the pandemic. The Chairman accepted the plaque on behalf of the village.

1a. To receive and consider apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs.G.Dyson, S.Kent, and S.Anderson. Apologies were also received from J.Oliver (NCC).

1b. To receive Declarations of Interest on agenda items

RB declared a non-pecuniary interest in 5d and 5e.

2. To approve the minutes of meeting held 13/10/21.

The minutes, which had already been circulated, were accepted as a true record. (Prop: CG, Sec: MW).

3 . Public Participation (requests to speak on agenda items)

No members of the public present.

4. Finance:

(a) To approve invoices for payment and note bank balances:

Information Commissioner £40.00 (DP.fee), P.Bullimore £370.50 (net salary,)

HMRC £33.60 (tax on salary), P.Bullimore £47.53 (clerks exps),

Secret Gardens £65.00 (grass cut). W.Peverill £80.00 (mtce/tree lopping)

*** The above payments, as scheduled on the agenda, were approved (Prop: RS, Sec: MR). The reconciled bank balances were as follows :- A/C 10162132 £4,007.55 and A/C 10162140 £9,444.36. - Noted

(b) To consider the 2022/23 Budget & Precept.

The Chair informed members that preliminary work had been carried out by RB and the Clerk. MK had met with the Norfolk CC. Public Rights of Way Officer with a view to taking on the maintenance of footpaths in the village. An agreement could be drawn up stipulating which paths were on the NCC's list and an annual payment would be made to the PC. An additional small amount in the PC budget and the payment from NCC would hopefully enable the PC to take an active role in maintaining all village paths, and not rely on other parties who were currently working under constant pressure throughout Norfolk. Members agreed that the Clerk and Chair proceed with this arrangement and get an agreement drawn up with NCC with a view to commencing on 1st January, 2022. (Prop; MW, Sec: RS). The

agreement also transfers legal powers to the PC regarding the maintenance of PROW. RB updated members on the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations stating that Beeston Hall School had agreed to a concert etc.. on 26/5/22 and it would be on similar lines as at the Diamond Jubilee event with entertainment from school pupils and the Cromer & Sheringham Brass Band. A small amount would be put in the budget but RB hoped that most expenses would be covered by sponsorship and grants. The Clerk informed members that the deadline for returning the precept forms to NNDC was 31/1/22 and hopefully the budget could be agreed at the January meeting. He also reminded them regarding the rules on voting on this matter if in arrears with their own council tax.

(c) To consider donation to Royal British Legion.

It was agreed to donate £25 (Prop; RB, Sec: MR) and RB agreed to lay the wreath at the remembrance service on behalf of the PC.

5. Planning:

(a) To note decisions/information received from NNDC since last update PF/21/2540; The application re Wellsdale Farm had been withdrawn.

(b) To consider planning applications received since agenda printed
None received.

(c) PF/21/2740; Alterations to extension; Mont St Michel, Sheringwood.
It was agreed "no objections" to this application (Prop: RS, Sec: NW)

(d) RV/21/2892; Variation of condition roof lights; Field Fare, Church Close
It was agreed to "support" this application and hope the matter is concluded. (Prop: RS, Sec: CG)

(e) PF/21/2920; Extension at Cartref, Church Close.
It was agreed "no objections" to this application (Prop: CG, Sec: MR).

(m) To consider PCs responsibilities re the AONB.
Duly considered at 5c.

6. Highways/Footpath matters.

(a) To receive update re the Sheringham to Cromer Cycleway Project.
Cromer TC was hoping to arrange a meeting soon. MK & RS would represent BRPC.

(b) To further consider NCC Highways Partnership Scheme 2022/23.
It was agreed to remove this matter from the agenda. (no projects proposed)

(c) To receive update re Tree Planting Scheme at Church Field.
RB was still liaising with NNDC. The Scout Group, although wanting to take on this project, seemed unable to start work before the new year.

7. Meetings & Conferences (to receive reports and announcements)

The following had been notified to members via the Chair's emails :-
NNDC Greenbuild Event; 1/11/21 – 12/11/21. (RS attended the webinar)
Parish & Town Council Forum.

Coastal Forum; 2/11/21.

RB reported that he had attended the Church Field Trustees meeting.

8. To receive update re clearance of undergrowth nr the Britons Lane pillbox.

Having reviewed the situation RB stated that this was a job for a contractor and a meeting of volunteer members was no longer required.

9. To receive update re Textile Bank in the parish. (Britons Lane car park)

The Clerk informed members that the textile bank was now in place and this matter would be removed from the agenda.

10. Local Council Award Scheme & Governance

(a) To review Standing Orders .

The standing orders were reviewed and agreed subject to one amendment (Prop: RB, Sec: NW). The amendment was to update the figure under Section 18 “Financial Controls & Procurement” to £189,330. The website would be updated accordingly.

11. To receive reports from District & County Councillors

*** J.Oliver (NCC) had submitted a written report which was circulated to members. This referred to booster jabs reminder, Sheringham Primary School parking update, report on Abbey Park pavements, avian flue information, NCC money for bus services - £106m., the “Chances programme”; getting back into work, the Sheringham mural project, and environmental plans working group.

12. Police Report /Sect.17 Crime & Disorder Act.

Newsletters and the Police & Crime Commissioners updates continue to be received.

13. To receive Correspondence (not included in agenda items above).

The following had been circulated via the Chairman during the past month (a) NALC Wellbeing; notes re webinars, flood alliance information, briefings, and information re the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee (b) NNDC; information re the Green Build Events...(c) Lady Dannatt (Nfk Lieut); re Memorial Plaque (d) Police; Cluster Newsletter & Crime Commissioner update (e) Norfolk CC; Flood Alliance Strategy (f) Voluntary Norfolk; notice re looking for volunteers (g) Alison Shaw, Oulton PC; OTN update and information re the Boreas application.

14. Resolution re Public Participation (comments/other matters).

No members of the public present.

15. To confirm date of next meeting.

Wednesday, 8th December, 2021 (7pm)...RB requested that the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations be placed on future agendas.