

BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wed., 13th September, 2023, at Scout HQ, Cromer Rd., Beeston Regis. – (7pm)

**** Parish Council Surgery at 6.45pm (Speaking with the Chairman)**

Present: M.Knowles (Chair), N.Wright, M.Wright, P.Thorogate, C.Goodwin, R.Beckley, R.Smith, and S.Kent, Also present was J.Oliver (NCC).

These minutes have been drafted from notes made by the Chairman.

1a. To receive and consider apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs. N.Wylde, I.Hudson, and M.Butt. Apologies were also received from K.Toys (NNDC) and the Clerk.

1b. To receive Declarations of Interest on agenda items

None received.

2. To approve the minutes of meeting held 9/8/23.

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:

P.Bullimore £417.10 (net sal), Secret Gardens £225.00 (grass cutting)

HMRC £25.40 (tax on salary), P.Bullimore £44.65 (clerks exps).

W.Peverill £100.00 (F'Path Mtce), Westcotec £71.40 (bracket for SAM2),

Morston PC £107.28 (training – 4 members).

*** The above payments, as scheduled on the agenda, were approved (Prop: MW, Sec: RS). The reconciled bank balances were as follows :- A/C 10162132 £5095.53, and A/C 10162140 £6279.62.

(b) To review Financial Regulations.

Draft regulations, which amended item 6 to allow for BACS payments, had been circulated to members and were duly approved (Prop: RS, Sec: RB).

(c) To consider request for donation from BRPCC (towards graveyard exps)

Following discussion it was agreed to contribute £300 towards graveyard expenses.

(Prop: RB, Sec: SK). This included a small contribution of £25 towards WW1 graves.

5. Planning:

(a) To note decisions/information received from NNDC/NCC since last update

Nothing received

(b) To consider planning applications received since agenda printed

None received.

(c) FUL/2023/0005; To receive update re the new Recycling Centre

The Clerk had received no further communications.

(m) To consider PCs responsibilities re the AONB.

Nothing to consider.

6. Highways/Footpath matters.

(a) To consider Highways Partnership Scheme, 2024/25

New gateways and their position accepted by members. The Clerk had never received a reply from NCC Highways re the change of position. The new scheme had been circulated to members and it was noted that it was a similar scheme to previous years. Members would need to consider possible submissions and the matter would be carried forward to future agendas. (applications close December, 2023)

(b) To receive update/consider heavy vehicles using Britons Lane.

The Clerk had requested a meeting with the new Police Beat Officer re the confusion over the 7.5 ton signage. (the old NCC traffic order appears to apply to lorries and buses but most people consulted think it applies to only lorries having observed the sign)

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

CG to attend a SNAP meeting in October.

RB to attend a Church Field Charity meeting on 27/9/23.

Councillors invited to a site visit at the quarry on 26/9/23.

Chair and Clerk to attend the NALC Conference on 4/10/23.

The Chair gave a brief report on the Parish & Town Council Forum held recently.

8. To receive further update re mobile library service.

RB reported a good attendance at the Church Close stop on 7/9/23. This matter can now be removed from the agenda. Norfolk CC would be reviewing the matter in the new year.

9. To receive report re Merchant Navy Day Ceremony. (3/9/23)

RB reported that there was a good attendance at the ceremony which followed the church service. The Red Ensign would be raised in the mornings and lowered in the evenings for seven days.

10. Governance:

(a) To receive report re councillors training.

The Chair gave a brief report on the recent training evening at Morston which had been supported by four parish councils.

11. To receive reports from District & County Councillors

J.Oliver (NCC) had submitted a written report which had been circulated to members. Topics covered were :- (a) update on Sheringham Roundabout (b) Covid19 update (c) report on dropped kerbs work (d) Report on RAAC (concrete problems) (e) A run by the Fire & Rescue Service to support their charity (f) Flood prevention work; simple things to do to prevent flooding..

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

Consultation and updates received from the PCC. The new Beat Manager is hoping to attend the PC meeting in October.

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

- (a) Letter received from D.Baker MP re a meeting on “Speeding on Rural Roads”.
- (b) Various emails circulated via the Chair in the past month.

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

No members of the public present

15. To confirm date of next meeting.

This was confirmed for Wednesday, 11th October, 2023 – 7pm.