

## **BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wed., 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, at Scout HQ, Cromer Rd., Beeston Regis. – (7pm)**

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

**Present:** M.Knowles (Chair), R.Smith, M.Butt, S.Kent, M.Wright, N.Wright, C.Goodwin, R.Beckley, I.Hudson, Clerk. Also present were K.Toys (NNDC) and PC.J.Houghton.

### **1a. To receive and consider apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs. N.Wylde and P.Thorogate. Apologies were also received from J.Oliver (NCC).

### **1b. To receive Declarations of Interest on agenda items**

None received.

### **2. To approve the minutes of meeting held 13/9/23.**

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

### **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 £416.90 (net sal), Secret Gardens £150.00 (grass cutting)

HMRC £25.60 (tax on salary), P.Bullimore £55.04 (clerks exps).

NNDC £1035.84 (dog bins), Cheverton & Son Ltd £45.00 (merch.navy progs)

Norfolk ALC £50.00 (conference fee)

\*\*\* The above payments, as scheduled on the agenda, plus one other payment, were approved. (Prop: CG, Sec: NW). The other payment was in the sum of £55.00, payable to W.Peverill for maintenance work. The reconciled bank balances were as follows :- A/C 10162132 £3771.93 and A/C 10162140 £12643.94.

#### **(b) To consider donation to Royal British Legion**

It was agreed to donate £25.00 as in the previous year (Prop: SK, Sec: MW).

### **5. Planning:**

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

PF/23/1400; Shaston, Sheringwood; new access/extn to existing drive (approved).

#### **(b) To consider planning applications received since agenda printed**

None received.

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

The Clerk had received no further information

#### **(m) To consider PCs responsibilities re the AONB.**

Duly considered

## **6. Highways/Footpath matters.**

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

Being pleased with the Britons Lane project members asked the Clerk to investigate the possibility of positioning gateways on the eastern and western boundaries of the parish on the A149 (as you enter the village).

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

A meeting with PC. Houghton on 9/10/23 regarding the weight limit signage is reported on at item 12.

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

CG reported on the SNAP meeting (5/10/23); Mainly regarding Sheringham & CCTV  
RB reported on the Church Field Trustees meeting; They were making a donation to the church towards costs of upkeeping the grass and hedges and the lease to the Beeston Regis Holiday Park had been renewed from next year.

MK reported on the NALC Conference; (topics such as D'Day celebrations, Financial Regulations, and the Council Award Scheme were covered).

MK/RS reported on the visit to the quarry; this was interesting and very informative when they saw "nature taking over" old parts of the site.

Announcements :

Hymns and Pimms Service at the Church on 22/10/23 (5.30pm)

Town & Parish Council Forum on 8/11/23 (Zoom at 10am)

Police Budget Consultation taking place tonight (already circulated to members)

## **8. To consider an Action Plan for 2024/25**

RB spoke of the updates required and the need to include a budget figure when necessary. It was agreed that RB drafts a plan for next year which would be circulated and hopefully agreed at the next meeting.

RS spoke of a coffee morning/social taking place regularly in a neighbouring parish and asked for consideration be given to something similar in Beeston Regis. The Clerk would place this matter on the next agenda.

## **9. To consider D'Day 80 celebrations**

The national beacon lighting would take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 at 9.15pm and RB was hoping to arrange, in conjunction with the church, a local lighting with a possibility of a service, refreshments, and WW11 songs.

## **10. Governance:**

### **(a) To review the Complaints Procedure**

Subject to two minor amendments councillors agreed the procedure (Prop: CG, Sec: RS).

## **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) new stop smoking campaign (b) local authority film to encourage fostering (c) award to NCC re connecting people to super fast broadband (d) new technology being developed re risk of falls (e) challenges re the 2024/25 NCC budget (f) programme re educating children on fire safety (g) new healthy eating campaign (h) recruitment of drivers for Norfolk Car Scheme (i) update re covid (memorials etc) (j) update re Government support for refugees (k) ban on single use plastics coming into force on 1/10/23.

\*\*\* K.Toye (NNDC) reported verbally and gave an update re the proposed new recycling centre.

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

The Chair welcomed PC. Houghton to the meeting. The new Beat Officer for the Sheringham area introduced himself and spoke on the following :- (a) Community Alcohol Partnership (discouraging under age drinking, visiting licenced premises and schools etc...) (b) Community Speedwatch (wants to start local teams to cover areas such as Britons Lane) (c) Crime Statistics (numbers and investigations in the area). Questions were taken from the floor.

The Chair and PC.Houghton updated members on what was planned regarding the 7.5 ton speed limit signs in Britons Lane. (the police would talk with NCC Highways and companies that had coaches using Britons Lane)

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

Various emails circulated via the Chair :-

Nfk ALC; Autumn Conference and weekly updates

PCC; Police Budget Consultation

**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, 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 (7pm)