

BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 12th January, 2022 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, D.Thompson, S.Kent, C.Goodwin, & Clerk.

1a. To receive and consider apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs. R.Beckley, N.Wright, M.Wright, G.Dyson, S.Anderson, and M. Roffe. Apologies were also received from J.Oliver (NCC), and S.Butikofer (NNDC).

1b. To receive Declarations of Interest on agenda items

No interests declared.

2. To approve the minutes of meeting held 8/12/21

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

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 £370.30 (net salary,)

HMRC £33.80 (tax on salary), P.Bullimore £45.55 (clerks exps),

*** The above payments, as scheduled on the agenda, were approved (Prop: DT, Sec: SK). The reconciled bank balances were as follows :- A/C 10162132 £3,412.08 and A/C 10162140 £9,444.55 – Noted.

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

The draft budget and other papers had been circulated to members. The Clerk's general notes informed members of the balances projected for 31/3/22 and it was generally agreed that the precept could remain the same as 2021/22 (£12,500). The Chair recommended that next year's precept should be £12,500 and it was duly agreed. (Prop: CG, Sec: RS). The Clerk would notify NNDC accordingly.

(c) To consider request for financial assistance from Citizens Advice Norfolk

It was noted that the statistics provided by Citizens Advice Norfolk were for the Runton Ward and were dominated by financial and benefit matters. Members requested the Clerk to try and obtain information for Beeston Regis only in order to determine the use of the CAB by parishioners. This matter would be carried forward to the next agenda.

5. Planning:

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

PF/21/2920; Extension at Cartref, Church Close – Approved 8/12/21.

(b) To consider planning applications received since agenda printed PF/21/2942; Conversion of agricultural buildings & construction of 5 new dwellings at Beeston Hall Farm; Having only just received this application the Clerk had obtained permission for members to consider this matter at the February meeting. There were many documents and plans which would be circulated to members a.s.a.p. **PF/22/0018;** Erection of Garden Shelter; Mont St.Michael, Sheringwood; It was agreed “no objections” to this application (Prop: DT, Sec: RS).

(c) PF/21/3246; Change of Use of Annexe; Two Pines, Sheringwood. Members agreed to object to the application for the following reasons :- (a) Referring to the previous application (PF/16/1727) the Highways comments were still relevant; “the Highway Authority would object to the conversion of this accommodation to a holiday let or separate dwelling in the future” and (b) the Planning Officers decision notice stating that “the site lies in an area of countryside where proposals for new independent dwellings are not normally permitted and where vehicular traffic would be undesirable in regards to highway safety”. All comments were still relevant (Prop: MK, Sec: SK).

(d) PF/21/3416; Demolition & erection of replacement garage; Two Pines, S’Wood

Members objected to this application in its present form for the following reasons (a) members questioned the need for a three bay garage, with additional storage, which will essentially be separate to the main dwelling (a concurrent application, PF/21/3246, elaborates no requirement for an increase in parking) and (b) being a registered address of a construction company concerns are raised regarding commercial activities in a very sensitive area, and if the Planning Authority are minded to approve this application the parish council requests conditions are applied limiting the use to that which is totally ancillary to the main property. (Prop: MK, Sec: DT).

(e) To note publication of N.Nfk. Local Plan Newsletter & future consultation.

It was agreed to carry this matter forward to the next agenda.

(m) To consider PCs responsibilities re the AONB.

This was duly considered at 5c and 5d.

6. Highways/Footpath matters.

(a) To receive update re the Sheringham to Cromer Cycleway Project.

No further news re this project.

(b) To note/consider Aylmerton Public Path Diversion Order (south east of parish

It was agreed that the Chairman writes to the Planning Inspectorate in support of the order relaying the parish council’s knowledge regarding the matter stating that the footpath concerned is never walked and is not distinguishable in what is an arable field. There would be no adverse impact on public rights of way. (Prop: DT, Sec: SK)

(c) To receive update re Tree Planting Scheme at Church Field.

Reporting to the Clerk via email RB stated that he had not heard from the scouts or NNDC. He would follow this up a.s.a.p.

(d) To receive update re Public Rights of Way Cutting Agreement with NCC.

The agreement from NCC had just been received and the Chairman, assisted by RB and the Clerk, would review it and hopefully sign the document very soon. A meeting with the PC contractor, providing him with the appropriate paperwork, would be arranged.

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

The Clerk reported on the following :-

NCC Environmental Action Group – RS attending webinars.

NALC various forthcoming webinars (circulated to members)

Quarry Local Liaison Group – proposed next meeting for MK & NW (20th/21st April)

8. To receive update re Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

RB stated via email that (a) he was attending a webinar on this matter tonight (b) he was meeting with the school regarding the concert soon (c) the Lottery grant application had been turned down and (d) a further grant application to the Arts Council had been submitted.

9. To consider creation of a pollination hub at Daisy Green.

RS spoke of his ideas for the hub which would only be approx. 12’ x 3’ and adjacent to the bench on the northern side of the green. Buddleia and lavender would be planted. Members were happy to proceed and asked RS to go ahead with this project.

10. Local Council Award Scheme & Governance

(a) To review Training.

It was agreed to carry this forward to the next agenda and in the meantime the Clerk would circulate information re the latest courses etc..

11. To receive reports from District & County Councillors

J.Oliver (NCC) had submitted a written report which was circulated to members. It referred to :- vaccination updates, more money for adult social care after covid, SCAP project (promenade murals), NCC environment workshops, and avoidance of balloon and sky lantern celebrations.

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

Newsletters and PCC 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) NCC; News Releases incl. Western Link updates
- (b) NNDC; update re Local Plan, Broadland Futures Initiative, new reporting portal
- (c) Police; updates, newsletters, budget consultation
- (d) Nfk Coast Partnership; update
- (e) Transport East; public consultation for plans to 2050
- (f) Oulton PC; letter re Sec. of States decision
- (g) NALC forthcoming webinars.

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

No public present.

15. To confirm date of next meeting.

This was agreed for Wednesday, 9th February, 2022. (7pm)