

BEYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 5 June 2017

PRESENT: Cllrs G Jones (Chair), J Clark and G Lockhart-White
IN ATTENDANCE: Co Cllr P Otton, Cllr D Haley 5 Members of the Public and the Parish Clerk

17/018	ANNOUNCEMENT: SALC's statement regarding filming/recording of meetings was read out.	
17/019	APOLOGIES NOTED: Cllrs A Pope and M Orsler	
17/020	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None	
17/021	Cllr Jones advised that a resident had complained about the time spent discussing issues with members of the public (outside the Public Forum) and that meetings were too long. Whilst he felt it necessary, on occasion, to involve members of the public when discussing appropriate issues, he promised to try to limit the time spent in future.	
17/022	COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: Cllr Otton's report had been circulated and is attached. Cllr Otton expressed delight at having been re-elected last month. She advised that SCC is planning to change to a hybrid system of governance; a Cabinet, but with Committees. Cllr Jones, on behalf of the PC, congratulated her on her re-election.	
17/023	DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: Cllr Haley reported that the new Planning website is being regularly updated and details on its use had been forwarded to the PCs. It is this new link, which is to be used henceforth. At its Annual Meeting on 22 May, MSDC now has a Leader/Cabinet structure. Cllr Haley had been elected as Chair and will chair Full Council Meetings in future. He added that forthcoming planning decisions are to be published on line. Local Government Boundary Review: The Boundary Commission's plans are to be launched on 13 June with the final decision to be publicised mid 2019. MSDC has had to advise as to the number of Councillors it needs to operate effectively. Cllr Haley confirmed that a number of sites (for possible development) had been identified in the village – between Tostock Road and the A14. Cllr Jones speculated that, being such a large area, it could possibly accommodate in the region of 150 dwellings. Having spoken with Bill Newman of MSDC in this connection, it is noted that the village is currently Class 2 i.e. not a Class 3 (greenfield/country area). It is anticipated that it will be classified as 4. MSDC is currently on schedule to produce a Plan during the Summer. Cllr Jones asked as to the other milestones in this regard; Cllr Haley is to advise. Cllr Jones stated that it would be useful to know how the Planners view Beyton.	DH
17/024	PUBLIC FORUM: One resident advised that they considered the SALC approved statement, read out at the commencement of each meeting, to be incorrect. Members agreed to double check this with SALC, which had provided the statement, and provide them with a copy, also, of the resident's written comments. A discussion then ensued on the filming of meetings.	Clerk
17/025	APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting held on the 8 May were approved and signed.	
17/026	MATTERS ARISING: None	
17/027	FINANCE Cllr Clark provided the following information, as shown on the agenda: Bank Account Balances: 31.5.17: Current: 14,519.13, Savings: £100.00: Total: £14,619.13 Receipts: None VAT Refund Claim: Submitted 11.5.17 in the sum of £1,753.53 2016/17 Accounts: Copies had been circulated to all Members. The Accounts were approved and the Chair duly authorised to sign. Annual Return – Year ended 31 March 2017: Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2016/17 was considered, completed, signed by the Chair and countersigned by the Clerk. Section 2 – Accounting Statements were approved, signed by the RFO and Chair. Budget 2017/18: A revised budget (in the sum of £14,780) had been circulated and was approved. Bank Reconciliation: To be circulated.	Clerk

	<p><u>Payments</u></p> <p>The following payments were approved:</p> <p>Two separate cheques requested to replace original SLCC cheque (no 101078) re subscription; £67.00 SLCC (chq no 101082) and £10.00 ALCC (chq no 101083). Replacement cheque for Suffolk Cloud for £100 (chq no 101079) to be made payable to Suffolkbiz (chq 101081)</p> <p>Westcotec Ltd: Speed Indicator Device, data unit and additional bracket: £3,840.00 (Chq 101084)</p> <p>Clerk: 2 x 12 x 2nd class stamps: £13.44)</p> <p>LA file & Clear A4 Pockets: £ 9.03) TOTAL: £22.47 (101085)</p> <p>Swayne & Partners: Post Mortem on Goose: £47.70 (101086)</p> <p>Came & Co: PC Insurance 2017/18: £796.02 (101087)</p>	
17/028	<p>ADMINISTRATION</p> <p><u>Parish Council Vacancies</u>: Co-option notices for these two vacancies had been displayed both on the notice boards and on the website.</p> <p><u>Registers of Member's Interests</u>: These completed forms were collected – with two others to follow.</p> <p><u>PC Insurance</u>: The asset register was discussed. The Clerk reported that additions had been made to the policy to include the full range of play equipment (i.e. pre 2012 and post 2013). On the advice of the brokers, this also included installation costs. All this is covered at no additional cost to the original quotation. The updated renewal documentation had been circulated and the revised policy accepted. The renewal was therefore agreed and a cheque drawn.</p> <p><u>Village Green Lease</u>: Cllr Jones reported that no progress had been made with the original solicitors for the Ladies of the Manor, as they no longer act for them. It is hoped that concurrent enquiries will provide information as to their new solicitors. Members agreed to seek to acquire the Green (pending on valuation of same) once updated information had been received. In the meantime, a valuation (approx. cost £300) would be sought.</p> <p><u>Emergency Plan</u>: Nothing to report in Cllr Pope's absence.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>GJ AP</p> <p>GJ AP</p>
17/029	<p>HIGHWAYS</p> <p><u>Flooding</u></p> <p>– <u>Manor Farm Drive</u>: Cllr Jones reported that the contact at SCC is not responding to his emails/calls. Water has been seen 'rushing' down the Drive.</p> <p><u>Broken Railings over Stream</u>: These railings have again been broken after car(s) were seen to have crashed into them. The damage had been reported and cones have been placed.</p>	GJ
17/030	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>(i) Decision Notices: Permissions Granted:</p> <p>0833/17: Land adj Guerdon Cottage, Drinkstone Road: Variation of Condition 15 From semi-detached properties to detached properties following grant of planning permission 1540/13: Erection of 2 no. Semi-detached dwellings and detached garage to serve both plots, alterations to existing vehicular access.</p> <p>1157/17: 4 Bear Meadow: Front Extension</p> <p>1139/17: The Hawthorns, Woolpit Road: Two Storey Rear Extension</p> <p>1469/17: Replacement of double gates with a brick and flint wall incorporating a small wooden pedestrian gate.</p> <p>(ii) Withdrawn Applications: None</p> <p>(iii) New Planning Applications: None</p> <p>(iv) Enforcement Matters: None</p> <p>(v) Appeals: None</p> <p>(vi) Other Planning Matters:</p> <p><u>Neighbourhood Plan</u>: At the last meeting, it had been agreed to hold a public meeting to get residents involved. It was agreed to try and get MSDC's Paul Bryant to return to speak on the matter. Monday 26 June was agreed – in the School. Cllr Jones mentioned that two residents had already expressed an interest in participating.</p> <p><u>Proposed Affordable Housing</u>: This will form part of the aforementioned Plan.</p>	Clerk
17/031	<p>COMMUNITY</p> <p><u>Autumn Litter Pick</u>: To be held on Saturday 21 October; 10 a.m.-Bus Shelter on Green</p> <p><u>Website</u>: Nothing to report.</p> <p><u>Community Speed Watch</u>: Mr Ian Marshall advised that the new laser gun is performing well. The SID is operational 24/7. From this it was noted that the busiest traffic periods are 0800-0900 and 1700-1800 hours. He ran through the various report options available. Inbound from Thurston is identified as the busiest site. The highest speed</p>	<p>GJ GJ</p> <p>GJ</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	recorded was 80 mph inbound at 2300 hours. The SID flashes at lower vehicle speeds (between 31-40 mph). Above 50mph, it flashes 'SLOW DOWN'. Traffic volumes are: 7,000/weekday, 4,000/weekends. The device will be rotated on a regular basis. <u>Swimming Pool</u> : No report available. <u>Geese</u> : Refer Min 17/033 below.	
17/032	CORRESPONDENCE: An email had been received suggesting that the geese be rehomed at 'Field of Dreams' in Thurston. The unanimous decision of the PC Members was not to take up this suggestion. As the two authors of the email were present, they were thanked for their suggestion and informed personally in lieu of a written response.	
17/033	MATTERS OF REPORT ONLY: None	
17/034	The meeting closed at 2110 hours	
17/035	DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: Monday 10 July at 7.30 p.m. in The Vestry, All Saints Church, Church Road.	

Approved at the PC Meeting held on 10 July 2017