## **BEYTON PARISH COUNCIL**

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7 January 2019

PRESENT: G Jones (Chair), A Alderton, John Clark, Peggy Orsler and Adele Pope

IN ATTENDANCE: Co Cllr P Otton, Dist Cllr D Haley and 11 members of the public

18/115	APOLOGIES NOTED: Cllr T Ridyard	
18/116	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None	
18/117	<b>COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT</b> : Cllr Otton ran through the main points of her report including; approval of Cllr Otton's motion to the elimination of single use plastic throughout SCC. Grants to Citizens Advice Bureaux will now be reduced by half for the financial year 2019/20 and similarly for 2020/2021. A motion to reduce carbon emissions was refused. SCC committed to comply with the Modern Slavery Act 2015 to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking in Suffolk. Cllr Otton's full report is attached.	
18/118	<b>DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT</b> : Dist Cllr Haley reported that a review of polling districts was concluded last December. Planning applications have been submitted for 135 dwellings in Needham Market (at 131 High Street and the former Middle School).	
18/119	PUBLIC FORUM: No matters raised.	
18/120	<b>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</b> : The minutes of the meeting held on 26 November were approved and signed. Thanks were extended to Cllr Alderton for providing these in the absence of the Parish Clerk.	
18/121	MATTERS ARISING: None	
18/122	<b>FINANCE</b> Receipts: 3.12.18: Interest: £0.05 (3.9-2.12.18) Bank Account Balances: The bank balances as at 30.11.18 were reported as Current Account: £16,222.24 and Deposit Account: £100.23: Total: £16,322.47. Since the meeting the latest (31.12.18) statements had been received showing the following balances: Current: £12,198.44, Deposit: £100.23: Total: £12,298.72. Bank Reconciliation: The bank reconciliation to 31.12.18 is to be circulated. Budget and Precept 2019/20: Following discussions, a budget of £15,390 (including £2k for possible Neighbourhood Plan was agreed, with a precept of £16,622. <u>Payments</u> Ratification of the following two cheques: -Open Spaces Society: Annual Subscription 1.10.18 – 30.9.19: £45.00 (Chq 101162) -Mr C Parsons: Performance & Prep by Bury Friendly Orchestra at Remembrance Ceremony on 11.11.18: £350 (101163) Clerk's Salary & Mileage (Oct-Dec 2018): £619.55 + £46.80: £666.35 (101164) HMRC: PAYE Oct-Dec 2018: £143.60 (101167) MSDC: Annual Play Inspections 2018: £58.45 (101168) Clerk: 2 x 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Stamps (£13.92) + 1 ream Paper (£3.25): TOTAL: £17.17 (101169) A New Creation: Cutting alternate sides of stream – December 2018: £175.00 (101170)	Clerk Clerk
	(101170) The above were approved for payment.	Clerk

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18/123	ADMINISTRATION Possible Co-Options: Two applications had been received to date; one applicant	
	agreed to join the possible Neighbourhood Plan team instead in light of his experience.	
	The other applicant had been unable to attend the meeting, but it is hoped they will be	
	able to attend the February meeting.	
	GDPR: All documents are displayed on the website.	Clerk
	Village Green Lease: Cllr Ridyard had advised that his colleague had received a	
	telephone call from the solicitor to the Ladies of the Manor advising that he is without	
	instructions from them and has suggested we resume direct contact. This matter will be	
	discussed with Cllr Ridyard with a view to agreeing to write to them, or visit, and to ask	
	how long we could continue as currently.	TR/GJ
	Geese Excrement: A complaint had been received from a visitor to the village re the	
	extent of this problem – especially in/around the play area. When the possibility of fencing the play area was previously broached, it was found that this could not be done	TR
	and/or Members did not wish to create such an enclosure. Cllr Pope advised that the	
	cleaning up regime had been rather lax over the Christmas holiday period, but she was	
	willing to produce a new rota and also canvas additional helpers. It was agreed that Clir	
	Pope would highlight on the blackboard on the Green the village's band of helpers in	
	this regard and seek additional people – who would only need to commit to help for one	
	hour per month.	AP
18/124	HIGHWAYS	
	Flooding: Cllr Jones reported that there are two key areas still under discussion with	
	SCC, namely Drinkstone Road and Thurston Road. Both parties are being pushed to	
	carry out their obligations in this regard. Re Thurston Road, SCC is adamant that it is	
	the landowner's responsibility, whilst the landlord maintains that, following an	~ .
	agreement a few years ago, the land was transferred to SCC along with responsibility.	GJ
	It was agreed that the Parish Clerk would contact SALC to ascertain whether there is a	Clerk
40/405	precedent in this regard in Suffolk, i.e. landlord/highways.	CIEIK
18/125	PLANNING (i) Decision Notices: None	
	(ii) Withdrawn applications: None	
	(iii) Planning Applications:	
	DC/18/05537: Little Paddocks, The Green: Installation of new external swimming pool	
	and associated landscaping works	
	DC/18/05549: Sirocco, Church Road: Fell 1 no Field Maple, The Green: Various Tree	
	Works	
	It was agreed to support the above applications.	Clerk
	(iv) Enforcement Matters: None	
	(v) Appeals: None	
	(vi) Other Planning Matters	
	Possible Developments: Cllr Jones reported on a preliminary discussion held prior to this meeting with PC Members and potential developers of four plots situated	
	around the village.	
	Two organisations had addressed the PC; Messrs Armstrong Rigg Planning (based	
	in Bedford)(Mr Geoff Armstrong-Director) and Manor Oak Homes (based in	
	Northampton (Mr Oscar Briggs-Strategic Land and Project Manager). Initial	
	discussions had been held with MSDC regarding all sites; 9 dwellings per site was	
	considered acceptable. Mr Armstrong had stated that the organisation would prefer	
	to bring forward one site for development with the PC's support. Whilst it was noted	
	that the results of an affordable housing survey are awaited, the needs of the wider	
	population would also be considered. The four sites currently under consideration	
	were cited as;	
	Site 1: Adjacent to the Church. Whilst not particularly considered as a site for development, it was felt that this area might serve as open space.	
	Site 2: Behind Garage in Church Road: Site in Conservation Area; some issues to	
	be overcome.	
	Site 3: Church Road: From Field House to pumping station. Some CA issues to be	
	overcome here. Some potential for housing in character with the area with a range	
	of house types.	
	Site 4: Land fronting Bury Road: The largest of the four sites with fewer	
	constraints, but not necessarily one to be brought forward at this stage; it could	
	perhaps be put to other uses; the organisations would be willing to listen to the PC's	
	ideas. Obviously, residential is being considered (the adjacent blue edged land is	
	currently classed as agricultural (the use of such land is reviewed annually to	
	consider other possible classes of use).	

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	The organisations had advised that they are happy to work with the PC to bring forward some, or all, sites.	
	Currently background work is being carried out (e.g. archaeology, landscaping,	
	heritage etc).	
	The organisations' work on behalf of landowners to try and obtain planning	
	permission on their land, which is then sold to a developer. It is intended that the	
	outline planning application is submitted with as much detail as possible, so that the	
	development proceeds as per the planning permission. The owner had stated a	
	preference to submit the application(s) as soon as possible, but the organisations	
	had advised that consideration would be given to both parties.	
	The matter was left for Members' consideration and response. (Cllr Jones had	
	advised that a decision re the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan was to be made	
	later that evening - in the PC meeting.)	
	<u>Neighbourhood Plan</u> : Cllr Jones reported on an excellent presentation in this regard by Daphne Young at Drinkstone, who had also provided details of a planning	
	consultant. They anticipate completion in 18 months – at a total cost of £11k (with a	
	Government grant of £9k). Following discussion of the anticipated benefits,	
	Members agreed to proceed with this following a further meeting with Parishioners	
	in February (avoiding half term holiday 16-24 <sup>th</sup> ) in TCC's Hall and to follow the	
	Drinkstone model. Information would be included in the BVN and on the website.	AP
	Contact would be made with Daphne Young in order to ascertain the names of	
	those people speaking at Drinkstone's NP Meeting.	GJ/AP
	Affordable Housing and Housing Needs Survey: Cllr Pope advised that she has a	. –
	meeting the following day with Sunila Osborne of Community Action Suffolk re the	AP
	results of the recent survey.	
	Stonemeade: Clir Jones advised re the recent incidents here, which had	
	necessitated Police presence. It was agreed to send a further letter to Kisimul asking them to engage more with the village – and especially those living nearby.	GJ
18/126	COMMUNITY	00
10/120	Cycle Crossing on Mount Road	
	Following Clirs Jones and Clark's cycle ride along this route, it was agreed that the	
	airfield junction on Mount Road needs to be investigated from the perspective of traffic	
	volumes/safety and appropriate improvements made (which may include removal of a	
	hedge by the crossing in order to improve visibility. It was recommended that an H&S	
	expert view the route, as it was considered that the crossing was VERY dangerous.	GJ
18/127	CORRESPONDENCE: None received.	
18/128	MATTERS OF REPORT ONLY:	
	Cllr Jones referred to an email from a parishioner citing cost saving ideas including a	
	reduction in frequency of issue of the BVN (considered to be a retrograde step as this is	
	a useful communication tool). End provision of refreshments on Litter Pick days and	
	programme such GM replacements as bridge across stream etc. Where appropriate, it	
40/400	was agreed some ideas may be considered.	
18/129	MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING: State of Green on one way	
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19/120	street side.	
18/130 18/131	street side. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: Monday 4 February 2019 The Meeting closed at 2210 hours	

Approved at PC Meeting held on 4 February 2019