

# BEYTON PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6 January 2020

**PRESENT:** Cllrs G Jones (Chair), A Alderton, J Clark, A Newberry and M Orsler

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Co Cllr P Otton, Dist Cllr H Richardson, 1 Member of the Public and the Parish Clerk

19/98	<b>APOLOGIES:</b> Apologies for absence were notified (and accepted) from Dist Cllr S Mansel (on behalf of Dist Cllr W Turner)	
19/99	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</b> None	
19/100	<b>COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:</b> Cllr Otton's report was circulated and is attached. SCC's budget (proposing a 2.99% increase in Council Tax and 1% for adult social care) is to be presented to the Scrutiny Committee on 6 January).	
19/101	<b>DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:</b> Dist Cllr Richardson's report is attached. He advised that there would be a modest increase in Council Tax in 2020/21, which would be submitted for approval in February. He also advised that there would be changes to the Local Plan and confirmed that the Neighbourhood Plan is given greater weighting than the Joint Local Plan in respect of PAs etc. Highways/Flooding: These items (and the modelling of same) are the responsibility of SCC and MSDC. Cllr Richardson considered that a unitary authority would have better control over these. He is intending to work more closely with Co Cllr Otton on issues of flooding (such as Thurston Road, Quaker Lane and Drinkstone Road). Co Cllr Jones felt that SCC is not doing enough to alleviate flooding in the village. He added that traffic implications should also be considered – in order to prevent 'rat runs'.	HR
19/102	<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b>	
19/103	<b>MINUTES OF PC MEETING HELD ON 25 NOVEMBER 2019:</b> These were approved and signed.	
19/104	<b>FINANCE</b> Bank Account Balances as at 29.11.19: Community: £25,597.68, Deposit: £100.43: Total: £25,698.11 <u>Income</u> Nil <u>Payments</u> Clerk: Salary: October-December 2019: £619.55 + Mileage £23.40: £642.95 (Chq 200012) HMRC: PAYE: October-December 2019: £143.60 (200013) A New Creation: Cutting alternate sides of stream through the Green: £160.00 (200014) MSDC: Annual Play Inspections – 1 site: £60.22 (200015) TC Forestry & Fencing Invoice 209: Grounds Maintenance: £573.50 (200016) Beyton & Hessett Hall hire: Neighbourhood Plan: £135.00 (200017)  Expenditure/Income Spreadsheet: The updated spreadsheet and draft budget for the new financial year had been circulated. The budget was approved in the sum of £12,000.	
19/105	<b>ADMINISTRATION</b> Review of Documents; Standing Orders and Finance Regulations for 2020/21 Review of Risk Assessment (including Internal Control), Register of Assets Consider re-appointment of SALC as Internal Auditor (Fee 2020/21 for range £15k-£25k = £195 PLUS mileage @ £0.45/mile) <u>PC Vacancies:</u> The PC currently has two vacancies (authorisation to co-opt following Cllr Ridyard's resignation is awaited). <u>Village Green Lease:</u> No response had been received from the Ladies of the Manor; to be followed up. <u>Annual Play Inspection Report:</u> Cllr Jones advised that this report highlighted items only of low, or very low, risk.	Clerk Clerk GJ

