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	APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were notified (and accepted) from Dist Cllr S Mansel	
10,00	(on behalf of Dist Cllr W Turner)	
19/99	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None	
19/100	COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: 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	DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: 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	PUBLIC FORUM	
19/103	MINUTES OF PC MEETING HELD ON 25 NOVEMBER 2019: These were approved and signed.	
19/104	FINANCE Bank Account Balances as at 29.11.19: Community: £25,597.68, Deposit: £100.43: Total: £25,698.11 Income Nil Payments 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	ADMINISTRATION 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) PC Vacancies: The PC currently has two vacancies (authorisation to co-opt following Cllr Ridyard's resignation is awaited). Village Green Lease: No response had been received from the Ladies of the Manor; to be followed up. Annual Play Inspection Report: Cllr Jones advised that this report highlighted items only of low, or very low, risk.	Clerk Clerk GJ

19/106	HIGHWAYS Potholes: These were reported at the end of Quaker Lane towards Bury Road and Church	
	Road near road towards Hessett. Road Name Signs: The signs for Church, and Bury, Roads, displayed on the walls of the 'White Horse' PH have now been repainted. Flooding: The roads had recently flooded again. One way street: It had been agreed that, to repair the edge of the Green, Type 1 aggregate would be used, which would allow grass to grow over it. This will be scheduled as soon as weather conditions permit. Estimated cost circa £500. Quaker Lane: Cllr Jones reported that a bag of cement had been dumped in a ditch – just past the stables, near Cheffins Wood. (Post Meeting, this was reported to MSDC.) The reinstatement of several chevrons along the road from Woolpit to Beyton is to be requested.	Clerk
19/107	PLANNING (i) Decision Notices: None (ii) Withdrawn Applications: None (iii) New Planning Application: DC/19/0836: 6 Manor Farm Drive: Erection of side/rear single storey extension (following demolition of existing): No adverse comments had been received and the proposal appeared satisfactory, it was therefore agreed to	
	support it. (iv) Enforcement Matters: None (v) Appeals: AP/19/00220: The Badgers, Church Road: Erection of 1 no Detached Dwelling: Members confirmed their earlier objections to this proposal. MSDC will forward the PC's comments to the Planning Inspectorate. (vi) Other Planning Matters (vii) Neighbourhood Plan/Housing Needs Survey: Cllr Jones reported that, following AECOM's visit re the proposed development sites, several amendments were	
	suggested to the document, after which a second drop-in would be arranged. (viii) Stonemeade: It was agreed that communications with the neighbours had improved and the house manager had agreed to meet with the near neighbours.	GJ
19/108	COMMUNITY Litter Pick: Saturday 28 March: 10 a.m. at Bus Stop on Green Green Cleaning Rota: Cllr Newberry is to issue a new rota and to place an item for new volunteers in the BVN Possible Fencing of Play Area: It was agreed to carry over this item Swimming Pool: Cllr Newberry advised that this matter needs to be led by someone from the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party and included within the Neighbourhood Plan.	AN Clerk GJ
19/109	CORRESPONDENCE: Nothing to report	
19/110	MATTERS OF REPORT ONLY: Cllr Jones was authorised to make arrangements for the moles on the Green to be treated. It is hoped that Mr R Wyartt will be successful in obtaining geese food otherwi9se it was agreed that the PC would buy the food.	
19/111	MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING: Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations Review Internal Audit Scope once details received from SALC. Internal Audit has been booked for 22 May.	
19/112	The meeting closed at 2045 hours. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: Monday 3 February 2020 at 7.30 p.m. in the Vestry, All Saints Church, Church Road.	