

BEYTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 7 October 2019

PRESENT: Cllrs G Jones (Chair), M Orsler and T Ridyard

IN ATTENDANCE: PC S Henriksen, Co Cllr P Otton, Dist Cllr H Richardson, 4 Members of the Public and the Parish Clerk

19/68	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None	
19/69	APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were notified (and accepted) from Cllrs A Alderton, J Clark and A Newberry.	
19/70	<p>COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: Post Meeting this report was circulated.</p> <p>Cllr Otton drew particular attention to:</p> <p>Consultation re the Review of SCC's Boundaries: https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/node/18495</p> <p>Requests for Speed Limit Changes must now go through the local County Councillor.</p> <p>EDF's Stage 4 consultation for Sizewell C: The Cabinet has been called upon to reject EDF's proposals. (See Cllr Otton's attached October Report for further details.)</p> <p>Local Industrial Strategy for Suffolk: Cllr Otton was concerned that this took no account of the current climate emergency and the potential 'Brexit' impact on the County.</p> <p>Home to School Transport: There are still numerous pupils awaiting bus passes. Cllr Otton is also seeking the number of appeals lodged in this regard.</p> <p>Field of Dreams: Appeal lodged against enforcement.</p> <p>Flooding: Highways England has been contacted re the culvert in the village, which is its responsibility.</p>	
19/71	<p>DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT: This report had been circulated. Cllr Richardson drew particular attention to MSDC's five year land supply, which means that, with the planning applications already approved, HMG's housebuilding target has been exceeded. 2018/19 saw a positive variance of £3.462m against budget due largely to unanticipated additional income from business rates, planning fees and CIL revenue. Similarly, it is anticipated that underspends against budget will continue into Q1 of 2019/20 of some £180k. PP has been granted for the development of the Stowmarket Middle School site for 38 affordable homes. Joint Local Plan Consultation: The strategic planning team will now be reviewing comments received in order to assess amendments to the draft plan.</p> <p>Cllr Richardson advised that he is happy to respond to residents, via email, regarding any queries they may have. (harry.richardson@midsuffolk.gov.uk)</p>	
19/72	<p>PUBLIC FORUM: PC Henriksen attended to provide information/answer questions as required. He advised that there are currently several burglaries happening in rural Suffolk, but the number of incidents is still considered low. For anyone wishing to keep pace with Police related matters in the County, he recommended the Police's own website; www.police.uk, whilst advising that recording of incidents etc can lag behind on occasions (by some three months, perhaps) and, of necessity, details are very vague. Crimes generally fall within three main categories; Burglary (if there were any serious matters of concern to the village and its residents, he assured everyone that he would draw attention to such issues very swiftly), Anti-Social Behaviour including Actual Bodily and Sexual harm. However, if villagers had concerns, he could be emailed on Stefan.Henriksen@suffolk.pnn.police.uk. Also available is the Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association's website (www.suffolknwa.co.uk). There followed a discussion re the issues at Stonemeade ('Kisimul') in Church Road. PC Henriksen advised that, as far as the Police are concerned, there is nothing untoward happening there. However, its residents, as vulnerable people in the community, are able to reach out to the Police. He added that, as with any other similar care home, Kisimul would have to be registered with the Care Quality Commission. Discussing the ongoing issues of noise emanating from the home, he recommended that MSDC's team of Environmental Health Officers be contacted direct re such matters; the Police force has no jurisdiction over such issues. Cllr Jones reminded everyone of the meeting to be held with MP, Jo Churchill, at her office in Bury on Friday 11</p>	

	October at 12 Noon. Currently due to attend are 4 neighbours, two Members of the PC and the new Company Operating Officer (COO) of Kisimul.	
19/73	MINUTES OF BPC MEETING OF 2 SEPTEMBER 2019: These were approved and signed.	
19/74	FINANCE Receipts: 2 nd half Precept payment: £8,311. Bank Account Balances as at 30.9.19: Community: £25,914.11, Deposit: £100.43: Total: £26,014.54. Payments The following payments were approved and the cheques prepared for signature: MSDC: Parish Election Recharges for 2.5.19: £104.78 (Chq 101239) Clerk's Salary and Mileage (Jul-Sep): £642.95 (101240) HMRC: PAYE (Jul-Sep): £143.60 (200001) SALC: 6 months' Payroll Service to 30.9.19: £21.60 (200002)	Clerk
19/75	ADMINISTRATION GDPR Reminder: Members were reminded to beware of forwarding sensitive information. To avoid any risks, for example, comments could, be reported in the third person, e.g. "it was reported....." Between Members, it would be prudent to include a CONFIDENTIAL heading, so that it is understood that it is NOT for public consumption. Registers of Members Interests: The final completed form was received at the meeting. Current PC Vacancy: No applications had been received to date. Village Green Lease: Cllr Ridyard advised that, currently, the status is one of a tenancy at will, where the tenancy rolls over despite no rent having been paid since 2006. The possible purchase of the Green would be unattractive, because such a purchaser would be unable to do anything with it (as it is registered as a village green). Also, there would be no real advantage to the PC if it were to consider such a purchase (and it could prove troublesome). Two valuations had been received; from Messrs Brown & Co and Carter Jonas (at £50k). It was considered that £50k was completely out of keeping, as, indeed, is a figure of £10k. Cllr Jones is to respond accordingly re these offers. It was further agreed that Cllr Jones would respond to the Ladies of the Manor suggesting that they might like to gift the land to the village. Insurance re Clerk's Indisposition: The insurance company had queried a couple of matters and answers had been provided. <u>Post Meeting</u> : The PC was advised that the claim is to be settled in full.	TR GJ
19/76	HIGHWAYS Flooding: The main ditch on the Thurston Road remains to be cleared; Co Cllr Otton is assisting in this regard, as this is the responsibility of Highways.	
19/77	PLANNING (i) Decision Notices: Permission Granted: DC/19/03667 and 03669: Balmedie House, 2 Bear Meadow: Detached Garage (ii) Withdrawn Application: Scotts Hall, Bury Road: Creation of New vehicular access (iii) New Planning Applications: None (iv) Enforcement Matters (v) Appeals (vi) Other Planning Matters: None (iv) Possible Development Sites: The following sites had been identified in the call for Sites: Land adj Field House, Church Road Supported by Planning Department Land adj Churchyard: AECOM to inspect site. Land behind Garage, Church Road: Not supported due to its views of the village. Drinkstone Road (Old Nursery site): PA for 9 houses approved (may be increased to encompass additional land (v) Neighbourhood Plan: Jonathan Wilson is now Chair (vi) Affordable Housing: Information should be available in the next 2-3 months. (vii) Stonemeade: Refer 19/72 Public Forum above.	

19/78	COMMUNITY Litter Pick: Saturday 26 October: 10 a.m. Green Cleaning Rota: Cllr Newberry is to issue a new rota and place an article in the BVN. Possible Fencing of Play Area: The Clerk is awaiting recommendation re fencing height from the Play inspection company. This will be expedited. A quotation will be sought in this regard from our GM contractor and Mr Cornish (Rougham). VETS Telephone Alert System: It was agreed to remove this topic from all future agendas. Fencing along One Way Street (to prevent parking): Following discussion, Mr A Rollett is to be asked to cost the supply of a Type 1 crushed limestone, which could be spread along the road edge. Grit Bins: It was decided not to purchase/install any.	AN Clerk Clerk GJ
19/79	CORRESPONDENCE: Nothing to report	
19/80	MATTERS OF REPORT ONLY: None	
19/81	MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING: 2020/2021 Budget and Precept Review of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations Review Internal Audit. SALC to be considered for Internal Audit	1
19/82	The meeting closed at 2145 hours. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: Monday 25 November 2019 in the Vestry, All Saints Church, Church Road.	

Approved at the PC Meeting held on 25 November 2019