

BEYTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 4 June 2024

In The Vestry of All Saints Church, Beyton

Councillors Present: Ann Alderton (AA) (Vice Chairman), John Clark (JC), Helena Harris (HH), Kerry Mason (KM), and Jonathan Wilson (JW)

Others in attendance: Tina Newell (Clerk), Penny Otton (POn) (County Councillor) and three members of the public.

As Graham Jones had sent apologies for absence prior to the meeting Ann Alderton as Vice Chairman chaired the meeting.

- 040624/01 **Apologies for absence:** Apologies were received from Graham Jones (GJ) and Peggy Orsler (PO).
- 040624/02 All Councillors accepted apologies from GJ and PO.
- 040624/03 District Councillor David Bradbury (DB) offered apologies for absence prior to the meeting.
- 040624/04 **Declarations of Interest (DoI):** No declarations of interest to consider.
- 040624/05 **Dispensation:** Councillors noted no requests had been received and none were requested at the meeting.
- 040624/06 **Minutes of previous meeting:** All Councillors resolved to accept the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 7 May 2024 as a true reflection of the decisions made and authorised GJ to sign the minutes (reference 070524/01 – 53).
- Public Forum:**
- 040624/07 County Councillor Penny Otton’s (POn) report was received prior to the meeting; due to the period of moratorium the report was noted only.
- 040624/08 JC confirmed the flooding in Beyton also affects residents of Thurston and suggested Thurston Parish Council may like to make a financial contribution to assist in clearing ditches along Thurston Road; POn offered to speak with Thurston Parish Council at their meeting on 7 June 2024.

Signed: *Tina Newell*

Dated: *02 July 2024*

040624/09 POn also agreed to progress the enforcement case on land off Cangles lane with the District Council.

040624/10 KM reported flooding at the entrance to Beyton Sixth Form site.

040624/11 A resident requested confirmation of what the open meeting being held on The Green on 7 June 2024 advertised in the Parish magazine is. It was noted that the date advertised in the magazine was an error but all Councillors agreed to hold the meeting on 7 June 2024 as advertised. JW confirmed this is more an 'open surgery' where residents can meet with the Clerk and ask questions in a less formal manner than that of a formal meeting. A report on the success of this event will be presented at the next meeting.

Planning:

040624/12 Councillors considered the following planning application made to the local planning authority relating to Beyton since the last meeting:

DC/24/02127 Application for works to a tree in a conservation area – fell 1 no Hawthorn (T1) in rear garden as new landscaping layout is proposed
2 Manor Farm Drive, Beyton IP30 9GQ.

After a brief discussion Councillors resolved to SUPPORT this application.

040624/13 All Councillors noted the following determination made by the local planning authority relating to Beyton since the last meeting:

DC/24/01543 Crossfield, Church Road, Beyton IP30 9AL

MSDC: GRANTED BPC: Supported

040624/14 Councillors noted there has been no update from the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Team at MSDC relating to collection of overdue CIL; TN will request an update for the July meeting.

040624/15 All Councillors agreed to comment on the Supplementary Planning documents as individuals and to suggest residents do the same.

Finance:

040624/16 All Councillors agreed to defer the finance report to the July meeting noting there were no finance reports available as TN has not received the card reader required to log on to internet banking from Barclays; due to the lack of card reader all payments due from the last meeting have yet to be made and will be processed as soon as possible.

- 040624/17 **Community Infrastructure Levy report:** Councillors noted the CIL return was approved in April minute reference 090424/21.
- 040624/18 Councillors agreed whilst a request to financially support repairs to the Vestry at All Saints Church, Beyton has been received there was not enough information on the full project to make a considered decision and it was therefore agreed for TN to request more details of the project.
- 040624/19 All Councillors agreed to renew insurance with Ansvar via Community Action Suffolk at a renewal premium of £626.46 (2023/24 in £637.14); this policy covers fidelity of £100k, specified asset cover £6,361 (laptop, speed gun and speed indicator device) plus £1,000 for football and volleyball nets and other assets covered £43,004.
- 040624/20 All Councillors agreed to add JW to the bank mandate with full access; this would result in GJ, HH and JW having full access and TN with administration access only.
- 040624/21 All Councillors noted the new model Financial Regulations as issued by the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) and agreed to adopt these in draft to allow time for all Councillors to review them.
- To receive updates and reports from officers and take appropriate action:**
- 040624/22 **Bus Service:** TN confirmed whilst there has been no update it is hoped a meeting with the other Parishes will be arranged soon.
- 040624/23 **Road Safety:** All Councillors resolved to allow Hesselton Parish Council use of the post sited on the Parish boundary but to liaise with Beyton's officer prior to using it.
- 040624/24 **Flooding:** reported earlier in the meeting during conversation with PO.
- 040624/25 **Beyton Sixth Form:** There was no update to report but further to a meeting with the local Planning authority where it was confirmed many other school sites in the area have been sold for development it was agreed to continue dialogue with the County Council and start a dialogue with the District Councillors on this subject,
- 040624/26 **The Green:** Noting there are no immediate risks of harm following the play equipment inspection however as many of the issues have been reported in previous years it was resolved for TN to produce a schedule of work and obtain quotes to carry out the works for presenting at the next meeting.
- 040624/27 There is no update on the refurbishing of the final bench which is still in situ on The Green.

- 040624/28 Councillors considered the request for installing a basket ball hoop; after discussion and noting there is limited facility for alone play all Councillors agreed to review the equipment currently on The Green.
- 040624/29 **Geese:** All Councillors agreed for the poorly goose to remain with Anglia Wildfoul & Poultry until a full recovery is made.
- 040624/30 **Village Voice:** It was agreed to hold the surgery on Friday 7 June 2024 as advertised and for a report on its success to be available at the next meeting.
- 040624/31 **Asset of Community Value:** Councillors noted evidence to support the application of The White Horse is being accumulated.
- 040624/32 **Correspondence:** There was no correspondance to consider that has not already been discussed.
- 040624/33 **Any other Council business for information to be noted or for inclusion in a future agenda:** geese, flooding and erosion of The Green.
- 040624/34 All Councillors noted the next meeting is the on Tuesday 2 July 2024 and agreed to host this in the vestry meeting room as usual; TN expressed concern regarding the room being attached to a religious building.
- 040624/35 The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.17pm.