

BEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

BEIGHTON AND MOULTON ST. MARY

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Beighton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 14th May 2013 in Beighton Village Hall following the Annual Parish Meeting

Present:

Val Mack	Jenny Wright
Joe Wright	Alex Fegan Read
Carol Phillips	Ivan Cator
Brian Iles (County Councillor)	
John Pettman (District Councillor)	

In the absence of Auriol Innes, Val Mack chaired the meeting.

Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman:

Auriol Innes was unanimously elected as Chairman of the Council.

Val Mack was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman of the Council.

Declarations of interest in item on the agenda and any requests for dispensations:

None.

Apologies:

Auriol Innes (Chairman)
PC Ian Kennedy

Public Forum:

1. The search for land in the villages for affordable housing was discussed. The councillors confirmed that a site is still wanted, but that none of those sites offered had been deemed viable by the housing association. Land proposed on Acle Road, Moulton was discussed and reported to be free of any contamination, as had been supposed by the housing association's report. The clerk will contact Broadland District Council and the housing association again.

Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting dated 12th March 2013 were agreed to be correct and were signed by Val Mack as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council.

Matters Arising:

1. Martin Greenland reported that the Church repair fund is £300 short of the total needed.
2. The clerk has submitted a request for funding for a Vehicle Activated Sign for High Road in Beighton.

Correspondence:

1. BDC sent details of the Growth Triangle Area Action Plan for outside Norwich. This was noted.

2. The Broads Authority sent a list of their strategic priority objectives for 2013/14.
3. Councillors are invited to a Café Cluster event at Ranworth on 21st May.
4. Acle Parish Council sent notice of its intention to produce a Neighbourhood Plan for the civil parish of Acle. Neighbourhood Plans provide the opportunity for defined local communities, such as parishes, villages or urban neighbourhoods to prepare statutory planning documents for their area. So long as the plan is in broad conformity with the strategic plan for the area, (i.e. Broadland District Joint Core Strategy or Local Plan), Neighbourhood Plans allow local communities to influence the nature of development in their area in the future.

The Acle Neighbourhood Plan is likely to include:

- Support for mixed residential and commercial properties along The Street
- Improvements to The Green with the reduction of roads in the area
- Support for cycle tracks in and around the village
- Support for good design for any new housing in the village, linking housing development to the BDC Pattern Book

The councillors had no objections to the boundary of the Plan being the civil boundary. They asked to be kept informed about the progress of the Plan and expressed concern about the possible loss of land for parking in the village or possible reduction of highways in the village centre because of the need for access for farm vehicles.

5. Beighton Parochial Church Council sent a report from the recent AGM.
6. The Police & Crime Commissioner, Stephen Bett, sent a summary of the Police and Crime Plan for Norfolk, 2013-17. The Plan is to reduce priority crimes, such as burglary, anti-social behaviour and reoffending, and to make sure that people feel safe in their community, that everyone is treated fairly and that victims of crime get the help they need.
7. Norfolk County Council sent notice that there will be some additional exhibitions in June and July to display the latest proposals for the Northern Distributor Road and the Postwick Hub junction.

Accounts and Annual Return:

The clerk presented the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2013, which were approved and adopted by the Council. Sections 1 & 2 of the Annual Return were considered and approved. John Gallop will audit the Accounts in June.

Treasurer's Report:

Balance b/f at 10th March 2013	£ 47.40
Receipts:	
Interest received	0.45
Acle PC – share of conference fee	147.00
BDC – precept for the year	4,538.00
BDC – New Homes Bonus	1,107.76
Payments:	
Transfer to savings	4,000.00

Clerk's fee and exps, less PAYE, incl pension	280.26
HMRC – PAYE 3 months	72.60
Acle PC - share of costs	58.75
Beighton Village Hall – room hire	15.00
Norfolk Pension Fund – May & June	65.64
Nfk RCC – subs	20.00
Nfk ALC – subs	109.45
NPTP – councillor's training (Alex)	35.00
Beighton PCC – grasscutting	330.00
Moulton Churchyard – grasscutting	330.00
Insurance	<u>273.55</u>
Balance c/f at 14th May 2013	250.36
Deposit Account	<u>9,633.93</u>
Total Monies	<u>9,884.29</u>

The above cheques were approved and signed.

Planning:

1. **Mr Budd, Windy Ridge, Worlds End** – two storey extensions to side and rear. The councillors felt that the extensions were large for the site but decided to record no objections to the plans as it was reported that neighbours had no objections.
2. **Cantley Sugar Factory** – removal of condition 3 of PP BA/2012/0354/FUL – requirement for a scheme to monitor airborne deposition on Limpenhoe Marshes SSSI. The councillors had no objections to the plans.

Parish Plan:

1. **Village signs:** It was agreed to ask Jamie Mack to attend the next meeting to submit draft designs for the signs. Suggestions for the signs included a pheasant, crops and a tractor.
2. **Speedwatch:** nothing to report.
3. **Play equipment:** nothing to report.

Village Hall:

There was a report from the new committee: the outgoing committee members were thanked for their work. Funds are in place for the ongoing maintenance of the hall. New signatories have been appointed from the committee.

Any Other Business:

1. NCC has stated that the hedge in Kittles Lane does not need cutting back. Joe Wright offered to meet with the Highways inspector to discuss this.
2. There was a complaint about signage from weddings at Southwood Hall being left in place long after the event. The clerk will contact the owners.
3. It was reported that there are two dog bins close to each other in the village and that perhaps one could be relocated to a better location.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.30 p.m.

Signed.....
Chairman

Dated: 9th July 2013

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