

# BEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

## BEIGHTON AND MOULTON ST. MARY

### **Minutes of the Meeting of Beighton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015 in Beighton Village Hall at 8.00pm**

#### **Present:**

Carol Phillips (Chairman)                      Alex Fegan Read (Vice-chairman)  
Ivan Cator    Ed Matthews  
Brian Iles (County Councillor)  
District Councillor Grant Nurden

#### **Public Forum:**

1 PC Ian Kennedy sent a report of five crimes in the parishes since the last meeting.

2 County councillor's report: Brian Iles reported on the difficulties in deciding in which areas to make cuts at County Hall, saying that those services which are not mandatory may have to cease.

3 District councillor's report: Grant Nurden reported that he has been appointed to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee at Broadland District Council. Grants to outside bodies and local groups are to be reduced to make savings.

4 Village Hall report: It was noted that a window had been damaged. Builders have been booked to carry out various maintenance works.

5 Councillors' reports: None.

6 Residents' comments:

- i) Rector Martin Greenland told the meeting that the Parish of Beighton with Moulton is now part of the new Acle and Bure to Yare Benefice made up of Acle, Beighton with Moulton, Cantley, Freethorpe, Halvergate with Tunstall, Limpenhoe with Southwood and Reedham. A new, part-time, priest would be joining the benefice in September, based in Reedham. A coffee morning will be held in the village hall every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month.
- ii) Following complaints about dog fouling on footpaths, Broadland District Council has invited residents to report incidences of fouling so that the paths can be monitored and cleaned as appropriate. BDC does not wish to erect an additional dog bin at present.
- iii) There were complaints that people walk their dogs through the churchyard in Beighton, but it was agreed that it was necessary to walk through the churchyard to reach the footpath.
- iv) It was reported that the hedge at Chapel Road junction with High Road needs to be cut back to improve visibility.

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

None.

**Apologies:**

Val Mack and Joe Wright  
PC Ian Kennedy

**Co-Option of New Councillor:**

Peter Howell introduced himself and it was agreed unanimously to co-opt Peter as the 7<sup>th</sup> councillor. Peter signed a declaration of acceptance of office and was welcomed to the Council.

**Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting dated 12th May 2015 were agreed to be correct and were signed by Carol Phillips as Chairman of the Parish Council.

**Matters Arising:**

1. The Parochial Church Council sent a letter of thanks for the donations towards the grasscutting in the churchyards.
2. Broadland District Council declined to put up a dog litter bin at the footpath near Beighton church. Some signs asking people to pick up after their dogs have been provided. Broadland DC will clean a footpath if required.
3. Norfolk County Council explained it is unlikely that the existing limits of the speed limit through Beighton will be reviewed in the near future. However, there are some remaining s106 monies from the Cantley development and the Parish Council's request for roundels painted on the road and "gateways" to emphasize the need to slow down for the village has been accepted.
4. Norfolk County Council declined to alter the signage to Southwood Hall saying that people just follow their satnavs, rather than taking notice of Highways signage.
5. Highways England has said that a survey is currently being done of road markings on A47, including the White House junction, which will then form a report of required works. No date was given for any repairs.
6. The Council's insurance has been renewed.

**Correspondence:**

1. John Gallop carried out the internal audit of the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015, without comment. The Annual Return has been sent to Mazars, the external auditors.

2. Freethorpe First Responders asked if Beighton would be interested in having a defibrillator at the village hall. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
3. Ed Matthews will attend a meeting with NCC to discuss green infrastructure provision between Acle and Postwick.
4. A youth worker sent information on Youth Engagement and is working with children at Acle Academy.

**Treasurer's Report:**

	£
Balance b/f at 12th May 2015	4,245.48
<b>Receipts:</b>	
Interest received	0.57
<b>Payments:</b>	
Clerk's fee and expenses	235.90
HMRC – PAYE July	26.60
HMRC – PAYE August	26.60
Acle PC - share of costs	32.27
Beighton Village Hall – room hire	16.00
Norfolk Pension Fund – July	36.63
Norfolk Pension Fund – August	36.63
Norfolk Parish Training P'ship	125.00
J Gallop – internal audit	75.00
Tsf to deposit account	<u>3,300.00</u>
Balance c/f at 14th July 2015	335.42
Deposit Account – general reserves	3,453.69
Deposit Account – earmarked reserves	<u>6,580.24</u>
Total Monies	<u>10,369.35</u>

The above cheques were approved and signed.

It was agreed to add Carol Phillips as a cheque signatory.

**Planning:**

1. **The Cottage, Acle Road, Moulton** – single storey rear extension – approved by Broadland District Council (20150536).

**Village Signs:**

Nothing to report.

**The next meeting will be on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> September at 8.00 pm.**

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.45 p.m.

Signed.....  
Chairman

Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> September 2015