

# BEIGHTON AND MOULTON ST. MARY

## Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 8th May 2018 at Beighton Village Hall

### **Present:**

Parish councillors Carol Phillips (Chairman), Alex Fegan Read (Vice-chairman), Ivan Cator, Peter Howell, Ed Matthews and Joe Wright. Parish clerk Pauline James, Brian Iles (County Councillor), Grant Nurden (District Councillor) and twelve residents.

### **Apologies:**

Parish councillor Val Mack.

### **Minutes:**

The Minutes of last year's Annual Parish Meeting, on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 were agreed to be correct, and were signed by Carol Phillips, as Chairman of the meeting.

### **Matters Arising:**

1. The Parish Council has asked Norfolk County Council to carry out a survey as to whether Beighton residents would like the village designated as a No Cold Calling Zone. Survey packs were handed out at the meeting.

### **Police Report:**

PC Ian Kennedy sent a report of four recorded crimes in the two villages over the past year.

Details of local crimes are available on Police.uk website and residents are very welcome to attend Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel (SNAP) meetings.

### **Parish Council Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman's Report had been delivered to every house in the village.

The meeting agreed that the new village signs were lovely, and thanks was sent to Jamie Mack for designing the signs are arranging for their manufacture.

### **Brian Iles (County Councillor):**

Brian Iles gave a report; Children's Services have an improved rating. Business & Property will be developing the County's assets with a view to generate income and capital. The opening of the NDR will encourage businesses to relocate to Norfolk and will reduce journey times for residents and visitors. NCC's policy is to keep the land under County Farms control at 16,000 acres. New tenants have been found for some farms.

Brian Iles was thanked for his report. Brian confirmed that any increase in flytipping is being monitored following the introduction of charges for the disposal of diy waste.

### **Grant Nurden (District Councillor):**

Grant Nurden gave a report: BDC increased its share of council tax by £5 so that it can continue to deliver services. The Council is focussed on generating income and is buying properties to house families to save on rent. There is now evidence of a 5-year land supply which means the Council can justifiably refuse inappropriate planning applications. The Council consulted on the new Greater Norwich Local Plan and is looking at sites put forward for new development. Broadland and South Norfolk Councils are investigating a joint working partnership.

**Accounts:**

The Parish Clerk presented the Parish Council Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2018. There were no questions on the accounts.

**Village Hall Committee:**

There was a report on current regular bookings and forthcoming fundraising. Two new members were appointed at the recent Annual General Meeting.

**Community Speedwatch:**

There is a team of nine volunteers who monitor vehicle speeds in High Road and Southwood Road. A high number of drivers have been reported to the Police. The Police Speed Enforcement Officer also carries out speed checks. New volunteers would be welcomed to the group.

**Parishioners' Forum:**

1. There was a question about the charges for disposal of diy waste at the recycling centres.
  
2. It was suggested that bollards should be erected on the verge at the junction of High Road and Chapel Road to protect the grass.

There being no further questions or business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Chairman of the Parish Council.....

Dated: .....