**BEIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**BEIGHTON AND MOULTON ST. MARY**

**Minutes of the Meeting of Beighton Parish Council held on Tuesday, 10th July 2018 in Beighton Village Hall at 8.00pm**

**Present:**

Carol Phillips (Chairman)

Alex Fegan Read (Vice-Chairman)

Joe Wright, Ed Matthews, Peter Howell and Val Mack

Parish clerk Pauline James

District Councillor Grant Nurden, County Councillor Brian Iles and six members of the public

**Public Forum:**

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| 1. | The Police.uk website listed two anti-social behaviour events and one “other theft” in Beighton in April and one burglary in Moulton in May. |
| 2. | County Councillor’s Report: Brian Iles reported on savings to be made by the County Council. |
| 3. | District Councillor’s Report: Grant Nurden reported that Shaun Vincent is the new leader of the district council and that Broadland DC and South Norfolk Council have started working together on some issues. |
| 4. | Village Hall Report: there was a report of an incident in June at the village hall and there was some discussion as to whether a barrier should be installed. There was also a request for a dog bin to replace the ordinary litter bin. It was also reported that the person who checked the defibrillator at the hall no longer wishes to do so. Peter Howell and David Phillips have taken on the weekly inspection. |
| 5. | Parishioners:   * There were complaints about the grasscutting at Beighton churchyard. Rev’d Martin Greenland was present at the meeting and explained that the contractor was no longer cutting the grass. It had been decided to leave some grass long so as to encourage the wildlife and wild flowers, then to be cut in late July by conservation volunteers. A new contractor has been appointed to cut the paths in the churchyard. Parishioners are welcome to continue to tend graves and additional cutting will be done as requested. * Martin Greenland reported that the open gardens event had been well attended. |
| 6. | Councillors:   * Carol Phillips reported that Speedwatch is being carried out when possible. More volunteers are required to permit additional monitoring. |

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

Peter Howell and Ed Matthews are on the village hall committee.

**Apologies:**Ivan Cator

**Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting dated 8th May 2018 were agreed to be correct, and were signed by Carol Phillips as Chairman of the Parish Council.

**Clerk’s Report and Matters Arising:**

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| 1. | Norfolk County Council Trading Standards reported that Old Southwood Road, Southwood Road, Carn Close, Hantons Loke, High Road (part) and Chapel Road have all reached 75% support for the No Cold Calling Scheme. Follow up packs were sent to residents in Hopewell Gardens, The Loke and High Road (part) which were at 58% support.  There is an issue with Southwood Road where there is no suitable post at the east end of the houses to attach the No Cold Calling Zone signage. It was agreed to purchase a post if this could be agreed with NCC Highways. |
| 2. | Letters of thanks were received from Norfolk Accident Rescue Service, Norfolk AgeUK and Norfolk Family Mediation for the recent donations. |

**Correspondence:**

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| 1. | Further correspondence has been received from Highways England about the proposed dualling of the A47 at North Burlingham. Surveys will be carried out in the area shortly. |
| 2. | Highways England also invited suggestions for grants from their designated funds that would benefit the local community. |
| 3. | Historic England wrote to say that they are reviewing the war memorial at St Mary’s churchyard to see if it should be listed. This was noted. |
| 4. | The Parish Council’s insurance has been renewed. |

**Treasurer’s Report:**  £

Balance b/f at 8th May 2018 3,100.44

Adjustments for PAYE 0.12

**Receipts:**

Bank interest – 2 months 1.34

Transfer from savings account 500.00

**Payments:**

Norfolk Citizens Advice 80.00

Nfk Accident Rescue Service 80.00

Nfk Age UK 80.00

Nfk Family Mediation 80.00

BHIB – insurance 242.49

Transfer to savings account 2,000.00

HMRC – July PAYE 40.60

HMRC – August PAYE 40.60

Clerk’s fee and expenses s.o. 100.00

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balance 147.15

Beighton Village Hall – room hire 19.00

Norfolk Pension Fund – July 58.97

* August 58.97

Acle PC – share of expenses 29.92

Balance c/f at 10th July 2018 444.20

Deposit Account – general reserves 10,389.43

Deposit Account – earmarked reserves (+ CIL monies) 6,195.00

Total Monies 17,028.63

The above payments were authorised.

It was noted that Ed Matthews oHohad checked the May online payments to the bank statements. Alex Fegan Read had carried out some checks on the Council’s financial records.

**Planning:**

None.

**Highways:**

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| 1. | The verge at the Chapel Road junction with High Road continues to be churned up by BT Openreach vans parking there. The clerk was asked to contact NCC Highways for permission to erect a series of small posts along the verge to prevent parking. Peter Howell offered to obtain prices for the posts. It was noted that there were thought to be cables underground. |
| 2. | Speeding on Ash Tree Road/Sandy Lane has been reported to NCC but no action has been taken. |
| 3. | The clerk was asked to contact Highways England again and the need to cut down the grass on A47 central reservation. |

**Any Other Business:**

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| 1. | Items for the next agenda: none. |
| 2. | The clerk was asked to order a dog litter bin for the village hall, under delegated powers. The clerk will write to the landowner, Val Mack, to confirm that the bin would be removed on request and the area made good. |
| 2. | The next Parish Council Meeting is on Tuesday, 11th September 2018 at 8.00pm |

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.05 pm.

Signed............................................................ Dated: 11th September 2018

Chairman