

BEIGHTON AND MOULTON ST. MARY

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 9th May 2023 at Beighton Village Hall

Present:

Parish councillors: Joe Wright (Chair), Valerie Mack, Allan Wright, Ed Matthews, Ivan Cator, Sophie Young, Kate Ashcroft, and 6 residents.

1. Apologies

None received.

2. Minutes of the Meetings held on 11th May 2022

Agreed and signed by Chairman

3. Matters Arising from these Minutes

None

4. Chairman's Report 2022

- Parish Council meetings continue to be held on the second Tuesday of the month on a bimonthly basis, from January of each year.
- The Parish Council organised a local meeting to canvas views on the proposed Gypsy and Travellers site at North Burlingham which was very well attended and the views raised were incorporated into the Parish Council's letter sent in response to the Public Consultation.
- The SAM2 is now in place and up an running and is the result of the PC's successful application to the Parish Partnership Scheme from NCC.
- The PC will be paying for the maintenance work on the War Memorial at Moulton St Mary church, to be carried out by a professional stonemason.
- The PC are trustees of the Beighton and Moulton Poor Lands Charity and distributed 21 grants of £60 to parishioners.

NB The full report was distributed to each household before the meeting.

5. County Councillor's Report – Lana Hempsall

- Lana did not attend the meeting or send in a report.

6. District Councillor's Report – Grant Nurden

- Grant did not attend the meeting or send in a report.

7. Parish Council financial report and accounts for the year ended 31st March 2023.

- The income and expenditure details were available on paper at the meeting and are also available on the website. The Council has finished the 2022/23 year with £25,244.08 in the bank.

8. Village Hall Report – Ed Matthews

- May 2022 to April 2023 generated £7,069 income
- Bingo nights continue to be very successful.
- The Village Hall is not in good shape for the longterm but they are hoping that once the land ownership issue is resolved, they will be able to apply for grant funding. Currently, without ownership, the Committee are unable to apply for grants.
- The Village Hall Committee would like to hold another event like the Jubilee celebrations to raise some funds.
- Val Mack confirmed that the field is registered to her family and that a Land Agent would be coming out to map, conveyance and ultimately transfer the land to the Village Hall Committee (not the Parish Council). She said that this would involve a separate meeting to discuss details with the Village Hall Committee and was not a Parish Council issue.

9. Parishioners' Forum – for residents to raise any concerns or questions

- Ed Matthews said the SAM2 pole on Southwood Road is not very effective as feel it is too close to the junction. Clerk to contact Roy Payne at Westcotec to ask if he will come out and check.
- The SAM2 downloaded data shows a pattern of speed of 60mph to 80mph between 3.00 and 6.00 am. Ed Matthews and Allan Wright to send Clerk the data so she can forward to Police for information.
- The Cantley speed monitor's display screen is very dim at the moment.
- Peter Howell said the VHC had got 3 quotes for grass cutting costs for the Playingfield . £66 (incl VAT) for each cut and 5 cuts in total. This would amount to £330, or £165 each if split between PC and VHC.
- The triangle of grass at the Southwood Road was raised as needing cutting.
- Alan Wright asked if the Village sign could be made more colourful. It was suggested that may be the pole could be painted.
- Alan Wright raised the ownership of the Loke and the fact that it is very rutted and puddled but no-one seems to know who owns it, although he thinks it's Clarion. He asked if this could be confirmed and to ask for potholes to be repaired.
- Rain and flooding on Freethorpe / Southwood Road and the large puddle that is created which goes across the entire road. Have reported it to Highways but nothing has been done about it. There is a sunken bit of drain near Hanton's Loke on Southwood Road. Also, just outside No 1 High Road, before Carn Close, the drain lid has collapsed and has been like that for 2 years. Clerk to report to Highways.

The meeting closed at 8.11pm.

Signed:

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