

# Beoley Parish Council

Clerk to the Council: Ian Shenton, Hill Cottage, 2 School Hill Cottages, Stratford Rd, Wootton Wawen , Warks. B95 6BB

## Minutes of Meeting of Beoley Parish Council held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm in Beoley Village Hall

**Attendees:** Cllr. Bland (Chairman), Cllr. Joynes (Vice Chair), Cllr. Barry, Cllr. Merrell, Cllr. Cook, Cllr. Morgan, Cllr. Bridgewater, James Urry (co-opted to Planning Committee), I. Shenton (Parish Clerk).

Members of the public attending: 1

- 1. Apologies:** County Cllr. Charles Hotham, District Cllr. Annette English, Stephen Lewis (Parish Lengthsman),
- 2. Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interests:** None
- 3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (11<sup>th</sup> February 2020) were approved unanimously & were duly signed by the Chairman.**
- 4. Report by County Cllr. Hotham:** No report
- 5. Report by District Cllr. English:** No report
- 6. Items b/f from previous minutes**
  - a) New date to be arranged with PCC John Campion c/f indefinitely due to Covid-19
- 7. Recruitment of new Parish Clerk :**
  - a) 5 candidates short listed and will be reduced to 2 or 3 to be interviewed by the Chairman and Deputy Chairman.
  - b) Due to Covid-19 current Clerk has indicated he will remain in post until further notice as it is impossible to train a new Clerk with the social distancing rules in place.
- 8. NDP – c/f indefinitely due to Covid-19**
- 9. Covid-19 –** It has become clear that future meetings might not be possible in person and therefore it was agreed by majority (1 abstention – Cllr. Paul Bridgewater) to cancel the next scheduled monthly meeting.
- 10. Village Magazine**
  - a) This will not be printed during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 11. Planning – Applications**
  - a) Planning notes attached to the Agenda as Appendix B and were accepted by the members.
  - b) 19/00084/Ful – Oakland International - The Deputy Chair agreed to write a letter to Simon Jones at Bromsgrove DC Planning re enforcement action as the work currently being undertaken is unauthorised and not within the agreed planning application.
- 12. Portway & Hillcrest –**
  - a) Report accepted (see agenda for report).
  - b) Horse & Jockey Pub - Clerk asked to obtain details of the planning conditions . These were subsequently sent to Cllr. Paul Bridgewater by the Clerk.
  - c) Mobile Post Office for Portway residents – in the light of Covid-19 Clerk will raise this again but felt it unlikely that this would be at the top of the PO priorities just at the moment and will therefore keep this live and c/f.
- 13. Report of Parish Lengthsman (PL) –** not present apologies received.
  - a) The PL report was accepted at the meeting.
- 14. Report of Path Warden –** None received
- 15. Finance.**
  - a) Payments (including a late request by Cllr. Bridgewater in the sum of £36.51) were approved by all members.
  - b) Bank balances were considered & approved by all Members.
- 16. Correspondence –** all relevant correspondence has already been sent to each member.
- 17. Questions to the Chairman**

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- a) James Urry asked the Chairman to accept his resignation from his position on the Planning Committee. This was accepted after thanks were given by members for his work on the Committee to date.
  - b) The Chairman advised that he would like someone to manage highways issues and the Parish Lengthsman.
    - i. After discussion it was agreed by all Councillors that James Urry will be the Highways Lead.
    - ii. It was agreed by all Councillors that Cllr. Donald Cook would offer oversight on the work of the Parish Lengthsman.
  - c) Cllr. John Merrell raised the issue of the War Memorial needing a clean. It was agreed that Cllr. Merrell would supply the Clerk with a photos of the War Memorial and the Clerk would raise an application for a Grant from the War Memorials Commission.
  - d) Cllr. Donald Cook raised the issue of the memorial tree for former Cllr. Jean Luck that had yet to be planted in its final place – the Chairman agreed to contact Mr Michael Luck to confirm where he would like this to be placed.
  - e) The Chairman advised that prior to this meeting a number of Parish records that were being stored at the home of former Cllr. A. Hall had been given to him – He will review and take what needs to be kept to the repository in Worcester.
  - f) James Urry (Highways Lead) asked whether he could contact the District Council to have “No Flytipping” signs erected – It was agreed by members that he should proceed.
- 18.** A motion to exclude public and press for the remainder of the meeting was proposed and agreed unanimously under The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (as amended) to discuss an exempt matter. This was approved by all members. The member of the public left the meeting.
- 19. No further minutes are required at this point**
20. Meeting ends at 9.25pm
- 21. Next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 7.30pm and will be held using Zoom conferencing software.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman)

Dated \_\_\_\_\_