

**Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held at the Bealings Village Hall at 7.00pm on
Tuesday 2nd July 2019**

Present: Charles Barrington (Chairman) (CPB), Colin Hedgley (CH), Mrs Sally Johnson (SJ), John Carter-Jonas (JCJ), Anthony Sheppard (AS), Paul Norris (PN), Rob Munn (RM), Martin Cripps (MC)

In attendance: Mrs Dee Knights (DPK) - Clerk to the Council, Andy Joliffe (AJ) ESC Communities Officer, plus 3 residents of the parish

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Suffolk County Councillor Robin Vickery

2. Declaration of Members' Conflicts of Interests in any items on this Agenda

LNPI, District Cllr – CH. CH declared that he is on the Planning Committee for Sizewell. SJ will take no part in the discussion on the minute regarding Croft Cottage

3. To approve the Minutes from the Annual Parish Council Meetings held on 2nd and 22nd July 2019

- (i) **2nd July 2019** - These were approved and signed as a true record.
- (ii) **22nd July 2019** – Re Minute 3(i) Croft Cottage – the PC has received a letter from the applicants expressing concern at the contribution made by SJ, and stating that the minute contained insufficient detail. CPB explained to the applicant, who was present at the meeting, that the Chairman and other Cllrs exercised their permitted discretion in this matter, and confirmed that SJ did not cast a vote – only 7 votes were recorded in the minute. Other points raised related to judgemental issues that the PC is entitled to make. The section of the minute with regard to the demolition and rebuilding works is hereby amended to read:
“Concern was expressed as to the stability of the adjacent property, and the effect on this of the extensive demolition and rebuilding process. However, the new building will be 11.20 metres away from the adjacent property and PN, who had provided the PC with some technical advice relating to this matter, concluded that damage was highly unlikely providing competent builders and engineers were employed”

The PC recognises that there is a revised package on-line, and if these details are formally submitted to the PC, they will be considered.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

- (i) **Trees, planting etc** – MC reported that he is waiting to hear whether his application for trees from the Suffolk Tree Warden Network has been granted. £500 funding has been received from CH's Community Budget, for which the PC is extremely grateful. This will enable the PC to extend the planting.
DPK reminded Cllrs that there is still £425 outstanding from the grant made in 2018 to the Parish Planters, and she is concerned that this may be recalled. Some possible projects were discussed and MC will lead the effort to decide on what this money will be spent, and report back to the next meeting.
- (ii) **Water Meadow** – CH is currently investigating this and collating information, facts and evidence. RM is disappointed at the lack of support from the Environment Agency

5. Report by District Councillor Colin Hedgley (CH)

A report had been circulated to Cllrs and a full copy is attached to these minutes. CH verbally reported on the recent statement made by the leader of ESC that they have no formal policy yet on the Ipswich Northern Route. This will be discussed once the Consultation has finished. CH also drew attention to the money saved from fraudulent activity by the Council's Corporate Fraud Service, and to the Government grant received for providing accommodation for rough sleepers.

6. Briefing by Andy Joliffe (AJ) on his role as ESC Communities Officer

AJ handed Cllrs a brochure explaining his role at ESC. He emphasised that this is not a completely new role, but is now more community driven. He aims to work in partnership with the PC and the residents to find out what is important to all. He has a small budget to support community groups and organisations. He works with Age Concern on befriending schemes, Community Action Suffolk and with younger people. He also deals with Anti-Social Behaviour and promotes the need for this to be reported so that action can be taken.

He will meet with CPB and DPK on 16th October to further discuss these issues. CPB asked Cllrs to let him know before this meeting of any specific matters they would like raised.

7. Ipswich Northern Route

(i) Review of Public Meeting

CPB summarised the discussions held at the Public Meeting on 23rd August. The Notes were approved and are attached to these minutes.

(ii) Resolutions

(a) CPB outlined the faults in the Consultation Documents. The Council **RESOLVED** to object to all the proposed routes

(b) Following the vote at the Public Meeting to make a financial contribution to the 'STOP' Campaign, Cllrs discussed what would be the appropriate figure from the Reserve Fund of £2000, and whether to pay some now towards the campaign expenses, and the remainder later if a judicial review becomes necessary. Legal advice was sought from one of the residents present, who stated that the PC is justified in making a contribution, as there were faults in the consultation process. It was **RESOLVED** to contribute 20% of the Reserve, i.e. £400, payable half now and half later if needed.

8. Planning Applications

There were no applications to discuss

(i) Other Planning Matters - Sizewell C Consultation

CPB had received a response to the email he had sent stating that as GtB is not in the immediate impact area, no explanations are necessary. It was agreed that no further responses are needed to the latest stage of the Consultation.

9. Highways

(i) **Boot Street Bridge** - CPB will follow up on his email to SCC as no response has been received.

(ii) **SAVID/SID** – The PC expressed grateful thanks to Phil Holmes who has succeeded in getting the SID up and running, and has submitted the first month's data.

(iii) **Hasketon Road** – MC reported that the top dressing has been applied but is already breaking up on the edges

10. Finance and Admin

(i) The following cheques were authorised; proposed by AS and seconded by MC

Chq No	Payee	Description	Amount £
613	Mrs D P Knights (dated 28.09.19)	September salary	203.24
614	HMRC (dated 06.10.19)	September PAYE	50.80
615	Mrs D P Knights (dated 28.10.19)	October salary	165.16
616	HMRC (dated 06.11.19)	October PAYE	41.25
617	Mrs D P Knights	Office expenses	35.30
618	Lt Bealings PC	Newsletter flyer	29.50
619	Information Commissioner	Data protection Fee	40.00
620	East Suffolk Council	Election fee	87.04
621	Phil Holmes	Equipment for SID	22.16

(ii) Other Finance and Admin Matters – The Bank Reconciliation, which had been circulated, was approved and signed.

11. Correspondence

(a) Grit Bins

SCC have issued new Grit Bin guidance. The Clerk will inform them that the bin in Lower Street needs refilling

(b) Work at Fambridge

A resident has expressed concern at the recent activity at these works. The works were subject to an Environment Agency (EA) Permit which would be regulated by the EA. The Clerk will enquire from them as to the current position.

12. Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 12th November 2019 at 7.00pm in Bealings Village Hall

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed.....
Chairman