

**Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held at the Bealings Village Hall at 7.00pm on Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

**Present:** Charles Barrington (Chairman), Martin Cripps, Mrs Sally Johnson, John Carter-Jonas, Anthony Sheppard, Rob Munn

**In attendance:** Mrs Dee Knights, Clerk to the Council

**1. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Colin Hedgley and Paul Norris

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

There were no declarations of conflicts of interests

**3. To approve the Minutes from the Meetings held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

These were approved and signed as a true record.

**4. Matters arising from the Minutes.**

- Water Meadow – Rob Munn has been unsuccessfully trying to contact the relevant Planning Officer at SCDC for further news on this matter. He will keep chasing. Sally Johnson reported there is still no further activity on the site.
- Quiet Lanes – A letter has been received from Neil Winship advising that there is no funding available from SCC at the present time, and no-one to support the scheme, therefore this initiative has died.
- Defibrillator – This has now been installed (in a revised position) and is in process of being registered with the Ambulance Trust. A training session has been arranged for 10<sup>th</sup> August to be attended by some Cllrs from both PCs and Village Hall users.
- Trees – Martin Cripps has spoken to Richard Garnham, but no decision has been made yet. He will see if he can get this matter progressed. John Carter-Jonas suggested asking EAONE to provide two trees in Lodge Road as part of their remedial works. He will ask Sarah C-J to speak with Joanna Young at Scottish Power

**5. Report by District Councillor Colin Hedgley**

This report had been circulated to Cllrs and a full copy is attached to these minutes.

**6. Planning**

**(i) DC/17/2498/FUL – Regency House, Lower Street, Great Bealings – Proposed alterations, extension and raising existing single storey roof**

It was felt that this application did not comply with the Neighbourhood Plan as it was an overdevelopment of the site. Therefore

The Parish Council unanimously **RESOLVED** to strongly object to this application

(ii) **DC/17/1476/FUL – Rosery Farm Cottage** – Charles Barrington had taken no part in the PC’s discussion and vote on this matter at the PC meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> May, but subsequently Cllrs agreed to him acting in support of the decision to object to this application. Together with Martin Cripps, he attended the SCDC Planning Committee meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> June to present the PC’s objections. A decision was deferred to allow a site meeting to take place. Colin Hedgley attended this on 26<sup>th</sup> June to ensure that the cottage was viewed from all angles and the application will be heard again at the next SCDC meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July at which Charles Barrington will attend.

(iii) **E-Consultation for Planning Applications** - SCDC have requested that the PC agrees to sign up to the E-consultation process of assessing planning applications. This means no paper copies of documents, drawings etc would be received. Cllrs declined this request in view of the poor broadband facilities in some areas.

(iv) **Other Planning Matters** – there were no further items to discuss

## 7. Highways

- (i) **Boot Street Bridge** – Cllrs were dissatisfied with a recent email received from the Highways officer at SCC, and Charles Barrington had circulated a draft reply which he asked Cllrs to read later and comment on before it was sent. It was agreed that a 40mph would suffice, together with eastbound priority. He will also send the letter to Robin Vickery asking for his support in arranging a meeting.
- (ii) **Other Highways Matters** – an email has been received from a resident concerned about the amount of signs recently erected in the village. He has been advised that most of these are temporary and in connection with the Windfarm project.

8. **EastAngliaONE Windfarm** – Following an email from Sarah Carter-Jonas, Charles Barrington expressed the PC’s grateful appreciation for her monitoring of the current works and he reported on the current work progress in Lodge Road. As mentioned in an earlier discussion at this meeting, it is hoped to get some new trees supplied instead of re-instating the hedge. The main cable work will probably be delayed considerably due to some recent archaeology discoveries at Bawdsey.

## 9. Finance and Admin

(i)The following cheques were authorised; proposed by Martin Cripps and seconded by John Carter-Jonas.

| Chq No | Payee                            | Description                   | Amount<br>£ |
|--------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 513    | Mrs D P Knights                  | Office expenses               | 23.97       |
| 514    | Mrs D.P.Knights (dated 28.07.17) | July salary                   | 149.34      |
| 515    | HMRC (dated 06.08.17)            | July PAYE                     | 36.90       |
| 516    | D.P.Knights (dated 28.08.17)     | August salary                 | 143.73      |
| 517    | HMRC (dated 06.09.17)            | August PAYE                   | 35.90       |
| 518    | Fynn-Lark News                   | Additional donation           | 50.00       |
| 519    | C J Ward Ltd                     | Installation of defibrillator | 169.68      |

- (ii) Review of Procedures – Following the update to the Risk Assessment, all procedures are now approved
- (iii) Insurance – The Clerk provided figures for adding the laptop to the All-Risks section plus additional insurance for the Speed Indicator Device when it was used in the Parish. These were agreed, to start immediately.
- (iv) The Bank Reconciliation was signed

**10. Correspondence** -There were no further items for discussion

**11. Date of next meeting** - Tuesday 5th September at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.10p.m.

Signed .....  
Chairman