

Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held at the Bealings Village Hall at 7.00pm on Monday 11th March 2019

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

In attendance: Mrs Dee Knights (DPK) - Clerk to the Council, Robin Vickery (RV) - Suffolk County Councillor, one member of the public

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Rob Munn

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

LNPI, District Cllr – CH, no other declarations.

3. To approve the Minutes from the Meeting held on 15th January 2019

These were approved and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

- (i) **Trees, planting etc** – MC reported that many cuttings of the black poplar have been taken. A resident has written to the Tree Wardens about some oak trees being choked by ivy. This is being investigated. MC asked RV about the promised funding for some of the oak trees that were planted, and he stated that this is still possible but funding would now have to wait until after the May elections. The concrete slabs at the junction with Grundisburgh Road are still an ongoing project. CPB expressed his thanks to AS and MC for the excellent editorial they had provided for the March edition of Fynn-Lark News. Special thanks were also made to Sharon Cripps for her assistance.
- (ii) **Litter Pick** – DPK has received an enquiry from someone who is interested in joining our litter pick in April. SJ agreed to liaise with him.

5. Reports by

- (i) **County Councillor Robin Vickery** - RV reported that he had received an email from a senior Highways Engineer at SCC rejecting our request for a speed limit extension at Boot St Bridge. This was several months ago, but after the site meeting in September with Mary Evans. CPB was concerned that the PC had not received a copy of this email. It was stated that a feasibility study would cost in the region of £2500 and there is no funding available for this. RV will forward the email to CPB who will then respond to the Engineer and also to Mary Evans. RV also reported on school parking and pedestrians on the road in Lt Bealings, his submission for £3000 from his Locality Budget for SAVID, and his work on the Scrutiny Committee.
- (ii) **District Councillor Colin Hedgley** - A comprehensive report had been circulated to Cllrs and a full copy is attached to these minutes. Cllr Hedgley verbally reported on the forthcoming public consultation on the Ipswich Northern Relief Road.

6. Planning Applications

- (i) **DC/19/0719/FUL-Ivy Cottage, Boot Street – application for the erection of a single dwelling and garage and creation of new access**

The Council noted that this application is a similar resubmission of a previous application last year that was withdrawn by the applicant. After considerable discussion:

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

- (ii) **DC/19/0956/FUL – Fambridge, Lower Street – proposed single storey and first floor side extensions and alterations**

The Council **RESOLVED** that they were unable to reach a view on this application as the property is in a high flood risk area, but no flood risk assessment has been done. Also, there is no Design and Access Statement, plus a temporary residential caravan has been connected to main drainage without prior planning approval. SCDC will be asked for these deficiencies to be corrected so that the application can be properly considered.

7. **Sizewell Consultation** – Following the presentation by EDF on 5th March, CPB had circulated a draft response which was discussed, and some amendments agreed. CPB will amend the draft and re-circulate it and asked for any comments by the end of the week. The closing date is 29th March.

8. Highways

- (i) **Boot Street Bridge** – This matter was covered earlier in the meeting
- (ii) **SAVID/SID** – Although the pole is up, the SID is still not active as there are issues with the compatibility of the software to CPB's computer. SJ offered to assist with this and liaise with CPB
- (iii) **Other Highways Matters:**
- Fly-tipping** – The incident at the end of Lodge Road was reported to Suffolk Norse who are unable to deal with it as it is on private land. However, as it may obstruct a footpath it will be the responsibility of SCC. CPB will liaise with the landowner and follow this up.
- Holly Lane**– MC reported that the recent road repair to Holly Lane is still unsatisfactory. The Clerk will liaise with Scottish Power and Lt Bealing PC.
- Hasketon Road** – MC reported that the potholes were filled in November , with a view to top dressing the road in the New Year. However, this has not been done with the result that the repairs are now starting to break up. The Clerk will report this to SCC.

9. Finance and Admin

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

| Chq No | Payee | Description | Amount £ |
|--------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| 589 | Playford Village Hall | Hire of Hall 5 th March | 37.00 |
| 590 | Mrs D P Knights | Office Expenses | 25.00 |
| 591 | Mrs D P Knights(dated 28.13.19) | March salary | 156.43 |
| 592 | Westerfield Parish Council | Annual Speedwatch subscription | 50.00 |
| 593 | HMRC(dated 06.04.19) | March PAYE | 39.00 |
| 594 | Mrs D P Knights(dated 28.04.19) | April salary | 161.46 |
| 595 | HMRC (dated 06.05.19) | April PAYE | 40.35 |
| 596 | Fynn Lark News | Postage | 6.00 |

(ii) Parish Council Elections – 2nd May – All Cllrs confirmed that they are going to stand again. The Clerk will collect all the nomination papers and take them to SCDC.

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

10. Correspondence – None

11. Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 21st May in the Village Hall – Annual Parish Meeting at 7.00pm followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.

Signed.....
Chairman