Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held by video conference at 6.00pm on Tuesday 13th October 2020

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

In attendance: Mrs Dee Knights (DPK), Clerk to the Council: Fiona Powell – GotoMeeting organiser

1. Apologies for Absence - None

1a. Resignation

Charles Barrington said that he was sorry to confirm that Paul Norris (PN) had resigned from the Parish Council in September with immediate effect. He paid tribute to PN's contribution to the PC over the years with his extensive knowledge of the building trade which will be sorely missed. The formal process for selecting a replacement will commence after AS has formally stepped down (see also Item 4ii)

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

LNPI, District Cllr – CH.

3. Planning Application:

DC/20/3754/FUL – Regency House, Lower Street – Proposed alterations and single storey extension

CPB expressed his concern about the red line that was shown on the plans which was incorrect. It includes an area of meadowland for which residential use is not permitted.

It was **RESOLVED** to support the application, with regard to the extension of the garage space and its conversion to a home office, but to object to the application's delineation of the red line which should be changed to correctly show the current area of residential use and exclude the meadowland on the opposite side of the river, which should not be part of the residential curtilage.

4. Any Other Business

(i) Correspondence with ESC re Rosery Barn

MC summarised the recent letter to ESC together with their response. Unless there is future evidence that the Barn is being used for residential purposes, there is no further action for the PC to take.

(ii) Process for recruiting new Councillors

DPK advised Cllrs that after AS has formally resigned, she will notify ESC of the two resignations. The Cllrs will be removed from the Register of Interests which will trigger a process by which a notice is posted and circulated inviting residents to call for an Election. If insufficient requests are made, the PC is free to advertise the vacancies and co-opt two replacement Cllrs. If there are more than two applications, a panel will be convened for a selection process.

5.	Date of next Meeting –	Wednesday	⁄ 18t	h November	at 7.00	pm in the	Village Hal
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The meeting closed at 6.40pm		
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