

**Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held at the Bealings Village Hall at 7.00pm on
Tuesday, 15th January 2019**

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

In attendance: Mrs Dee Knights (DPK), Clerk to the Council; `

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Paul Norris and Robin Vickery, SCC (RV)

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 Meetings held on 13th November and 10th December

These were approved and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

- (i) **Purchase of new green bins** – CH advised Cllrs that funding for these had come from the capital programme, the cost was £24.50 each bin
- (ii) **Trees, planting etc** – MC reported that the new oak tree presumed dead may still be alive. RV had promised some funding towards these and MC will contact him about this. MC and AS attended a recent meeting of the new East Suffolk Tree Warden Group which was very informative. MC has written to the Hon. Robin Gurdon and permission has been given for us to take some cuttings from the rare black poplar. These future saplings can eventually be planted on the estate, but this is a long term project. He also raised the matter of footpath accessibility and maintenance with him, and will go back to him regarding several specific issues. The concrete slabs at the junction with Grundisburgh Road are still an ongoing project.

5. Reports by

- (i) **County Councillor Robin Vickery** - No report has been received.
- (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 publication of the SCDC Draft Local Plan (which will be discussed later in this meeting), and the SCC website consultation on the proposed reduction of funding for the CABs. A hard copy of the consultation document for Sizewell was handed over for circulation to all Cllrs. MC commented on the fines and costs in respect of dog fouling, and the extensive amount of litter recently cleared from the A12.

6. Planning Applications

- (i) **DC/18/4881/LBC – Listed Building Consent – Birds Hill House, Seckford Hall Road – replacement of existing kitchen window with doors**

The Council RESOLVED there were no objections to this application

- (ii) **Any other applications** – None

7. Other Planning Matters

- (i) **Meeting with SCDC Planning Officers** – CPB and MC reported on their meeting on 18th December, details of which had previously been circulated. At a later date, CPB will contact all other PCs/TCs that have ‘made’ a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) to ask if they would like to join a round table discussion with SCDC to review how the process is working. In future, where planning decisions are made which conflict with our opinion, the reasons as shown on the website will be recorded as part of our Planning Register.
- (ii) **Other – SCDC Draft Local Plan** – CPB had attended a briefing session at Melton. Representations are due in by 25th February. CPB did not consider that a submission was necessary from the PC as a whole, but individual Cllrs can do so if they wish. A hard copy has been received and will be circulated. CPB is in correspondence with SCDC regarding the implications of the emerging policies on our NP and to what extent we will have to revise it. A meeting will be arranged after the Inspector has ruled on the Local Plan – probably the end of the year.

8. Highways

- (i) **Boot Street Bridge** – Following the site meeting on 27th September, and our subsequent letter, there is still no reply from Mary Evans. CPB will write to her and request a feasibility study on our proposal.
- (ii) **SAVID/SID** – The pole is now obtained and the SID will be erected shortly
- (iii) **Other Highways Matters** – MC reported that all the outstanding work on Hasketon Road has now been completed to the satisfaction of the residents, and it will be resurfaced soon.

9. Finance and Admin

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

Chq No	Payee	Description	Amount £
584	Mrs D P Knights	Office Expenses	16.00
585	Mrs D P Knights(dated 28.11.18)	January salary	156.43
586	HMRC(dated 06.12.18)	January PAYE	39.00
588	Mrs D P Knights(dated 28.12.18)	February salary	156.43
587	HMRC (dated 06.01.19)	February PAYE	39.00

(ii) **Budget and Precept 2019/2020** – The amended budget was formally approved together with an unchanged precept of £4545 – proposed by MC and seconded by JCJ

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

10. Correspondence

- (i) **Suffolk Police Crime Prevention Initiative** – it was decided not to participate in this
- (ii) **Fynn Lark News** – following an invitation for GtB to provide the editorial for the March edition, the PC is extremely grateful to the joint tree/footpath wardens for agreeing to produce this
- (iii) **Litter Pick** – following a letter from Suffolk Norse, Cllrs agreed to participate in this annual event. The incentive award will this year be donated to the Parish Planters

11. Date of next Meeting – revised date of Monday 11th March

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

Signed.....
Chairman