

**Minutes of Great Bealings Parish Council meeting held at the Bealings Village Hall at 7.00pm on
Tuesday, 16th January 2018**

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

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

Member of public in attendance: Alasdair McEwan (AM)

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received Robin Vickery (SCC)

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

LNPI Dist Cllr- CH, no other declarations.

3. To approve the Minutes from the Meetings held on 14th November 2017, 30th November 2017 and 4th January 2018

These were approved and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes.

Trees – MC reported that he has agreed the sites for up to five trees along the Millenium footpath, which hopefully will be planted by the next meeting in March. He has obtained some posts and rabbit guards. SJ will arrange to obtain the trees. Once the trees are established, MC suggested attaching a notice to advise they were supplied by GtBPC.

Some trees are also proposed for the North side of Lodge Road, but JCJ said that we will need SCC's permission and confirmation that they own the strip of land identified. It was agreed that we should write to SCC and ask them if they owned the one metre strip along the road.

5. Reports:

- (i) **County Councillor Robin Vickery** – Due to illness, RV has been unable to submit a report. CPB is in touch with him regarding our outstanding matters, specifically the issue of a speed restriction between the bridge and the church.
- (ii) **District Councillor Colin Hedgley** - This report had been circulated to Cllrs and a full copy is attached to these minutes. CH verbally reported further on the plan to charge householders for collection of brown bins. A letter is to be sent by SCDC to all households. Cllrs requested him to confirm whether this letter will include further instructions on what type of waste can be put in the brown bins.
CPB asked CH to find out whether the PC will get an individual response to the detailed comments that were submitted regarding the Local Plan Consultation, before the draft Plan is published.
In answer to MC's enquiry, CH confirmed that SCDC will be taking over on-street parking enforcement.

6. EastAngliaONE Windfarm

CPB reported that the public meeting held with Scottish Power on 7th December had gone very well, and we had written and thanked them. Work will commence through the villages within the next two months. Cllrs agreed an earlier suggestion that Little Bealings PC and Playford PC should be asked for a 30% contribution to the £40 cost of hiring Playford Village Hall.

7. Planning

- (i) **Wood Barn Cottages** – The second appeal regarding DC/16/2216 has also been dismissed by the Planning Inspector, and it was pleasing to note that he had specifically referred to the PC’s Neighbourhood Plan.
- (ii) **Rosery Farm Cottage – Footpath** – Following the PC’s letter to the householder asking him to create a “permissive path” at the far end of the field, he has replied refusing our request. AM explained to Cllrs that he intended to apply for a Definitive Map Modification Order (DMMO) based on user evidence in relation to the old footpath that leads from Cherry Tree Cottage across the River Lark and connects with the main Fynn Valley Footpath. Cllrs supported this proposal and agreed a reply should be sent to the householder’s letter asking him to get the registered path (incorporating the dog-leg section) reinstated
- (iii) **Rosery Farm Cottage – use of agricultural building** – The SCDC Enforcement Officer has advised that he has not yet been able to gain access to this building.
- (iv) **Other Planning Matters**
Rosery Farmhouse – CPB read the reply from the SCDC Case Officer to our recent letter. MC was unhappy with the response. A letter will be sent to her requesting a meeting.
Regency House – The householder has lodged an appeal against the refusal of the original application DC/17/2498. This is to be fast-tracked and all previous comments will be submitted by SCDC to the Inspector.

8. Highways

- (i) **Boot Street Bridge** – Due to RV’s absence from duty, the PC is no further forward on this matter. However, CPB has been in touch with him and when he returns to work shortly, he intends to give this matter top priority and arrange a meeting with the PC and SCC Highways.
- (ii) **SAVID** – CH reported that SAVID has a new chairman who is sorting out the insurance problem. They are waiting for RV’s funding to come through in order to purchase the SIDs
- (iii) **Other Highways Matters** – PN commented that the roads are in a dreadful state, mainly due to sugar beet lorries as the Windfarm construction traffic has not started yet. He advised Cllrs to report every incident on the hotline number, details of which he will circulate.

9. Finance and Admin

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

Chq No	Payee	Description	Amount £
536	Phil Holmes	Web Site Hosting	29.99
537	Mrs D P Knights	Office expenses	23.72
538	Mrs D P Knights(dated 28.01.18)	January salary	148.94
539	HMRC(dated 06.02.18)	January PAYE	37.20
540	Mrs D P Knights(dated 28.02.18)	February salary	148.94
541	HMRC (dated 06.03.18)	February PAYE	37.20

- (ii) **Budget 2018/19** – The amended budget was given final approval; proposed by CH, seconded by AS.

(iii) Data Protection Regulations – DPK advised that NALC have confirmed that the Clerk cannot be appointed as Data Protection Officer (DPO). She has registered the PC’s possible interest in the DPO service offered by the private firm that SALC are liaising with, but in the meantime other options will be explored. NALC are pressing the government to fund PCs for provision of a DPO.

(iv) Other Finance Matters – DPK confirmed that the VAT refund of £313 has been received. The Bank Reconciliation, which had been circulated, was approved and signed.

10. Correspondence - there is no additional correspondence to deal with. SJ reported that tipping has recommenced on the Water Meadow land. RM will email SCDC to enquire whether this can be pursued as an engineering matter

11. Date of next Meeting – Tuesday 13th March at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Signed
Chairman