

BEAULIEU PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING ON THURSDAY 21st OCTOBER 2021

PRESENT

Cllr. N. Hubbard (Chairman), Cllr. P. Fairweather (Vice Chairman), Cllr. S. Steele, Cllr. M. Grindrod, Cllr. S. Reece, Cllr. L. Dearing, Cllr. M. Dolbear

APOLOGIES

Cllr. C. Knight, Mrs. R. Pearson

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr. K. Mans, Cllr. M. Harris, Charlotte Belcher – Forestry England

Minute Ref			Action
2039	CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS	The Chairman reminded everyone about Remembrance Sunday on 14 th November and said he has been asked to lay a wreath and do the roll-call, as required.	
2040	UPDATE FROM FORESTRY ENGLAND	The Chairman welcomed Charlotte Belcher, Community Manager for Forestry England. She said because of increase in tourists, FE has four additional rangers to support extra work. They had not had any volunteers this year but are undertaking joint patrols with Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service. Focus on A-frames signage which cover BBQ's, verge parking and petting and feeding live-stock. These are seasonal and will be removed, they seem to have had an effect. There has been a much lower incidents of fires this year. Electronic road signs have also been in use and the NF Code has been widely distributed and helpful. She thanked the parish for the support on ground nesting birds, which she thought went well. Moving to the winter, there will be slight changes this year with some car parks being closed for longer. Said the focus on local work in coming months will be around Kings Copse enclosure, Frame Heath and Hatchet Pond. Also harvesting work on Dibden and Marchwood enclosures over the forest. Hatchet Pond planning application is online, work starting in coming months.	
2041	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING	Proposed: Cllr. Dolbear Seconded: Cllr. Fairweather	
2042	MATTERS ARISING	1. PARKING Cllr. Steele reported on review of parking, written to the Estate asking for additional permits for a number of shopkeepers and residents. 16 more permits have been issued, total issued 50 for 25 spaces. School carrying out a survey. Chairman thanked Cllr. Steele for her work on this	

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		<p>and confirmed that we will keep the High St parking under close review. Once the car park is being used to its capacity of 25 spaces the need for further parking restrictions will be assessed. Cllr. Mans commented that any additional legally enforceable parking restrictions in the High Street would need to be discussed with HCC on a commercially viable basis.</p> <p>2. BEAULIEU BUSINESSES. WEBSITE Chairman reported that progress has been made, a demonstration website has been circulated to Cllrs. for their comment. Subject to any comments from Cllrs. he will start to talk to the Beaulieu businesses in getting their engagement and feedback.</p> <p>3. BUCKLERS SPRING PARKING Cllr. Reece provided photographs of missing yellow lines and clerk reported to HCC.</p> <p>4. HIGH STREET DRAINAGE PROBLEM The first problem went away, but after heavy rain problem remained. Clerk reported to HCC.</p> <p>5. NFDC BUSINESS SUPPORT EVENT Chairman thanked Cllr. Harris for sending details through – it will be on YouTube (link needed) Chairman asked if we could ensure the clerk in future is on the circulation list as we did not have adequate notice to circulate that invitation.</p> <p>6. HCC SPEED RESTRICTIONS POLICY Cllr. Grindrod updated Council on HCC policy issues. He thought that we cannot have 20mph through village as we already have speed bumps. Chairman thanked Cllr. Grindrod for his work on this key matter. Chairman recognised there is ongoing concern about the speed of traffic going through Beaulieu, the risk in High Street especially with the location of the school and we will continue to monitor the situation closely and discuss with HCC Highways dept as appropriate.</p>	Clerk
2043	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	<p>Cllr. Fairweather – planning application.</p> <p>Cllr. Dolbear – cheque signing.</p>	
2044	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	Chairman approached by parishioner and asked when road sweeping could be done, as notice needs to be given to clear cars.	Clerk to contact Cllr. Harris for contact name.

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2045	REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS	<p>HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL Cllr. Mans reported about 2 year savings programme and awaiting government funding confirmation. He confirmed there was funding available to support local events for the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations and encouraged any requests for funding by February 2022. Cllr. Mans commented that in any event we consider a tree planting.</p> <p>NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL Cllr. Harris explained the NFDC had declared a climate emergency. A “Jimwams” joint body had been established between HCC and NFDC about waste collection. Useful process to engage in, particularly in the context of improving recycling. Currently this is at 34%, with central government requiring doubling of this requirement.</p> <p>POLICE LIAISON No report.</p>	
2046	A: COMMITTEE REPORTS	<p>PLANNING 21/00800 – Pine Ridge, Hilltop Replacement dwelling, outbuilding, associated landscaping, replacement boundary treatments, demolition of existing dwelling and outbuilding. BPC recommends No. 1 for the reasons below. Property conforms with DP35 & 36. Design felt to be suitable for this edge of forest site in view of measures taken to minimise light spill and to reduce the visual and ecological impact of the property compare to the existing house on the site. Condition – natural vegetation and screening is not to be removed in order to reduce the property's impact when viewed from the open heath to the East. Proposed: Cllr. Reece Seconded: Cllr. Dolbear</p> <p>21/00852 – Land of Aline Fairweather, Hilltop Nursery [Cllr. Fairweather moved himself to the public seating area for this agenda item]. 4 Bay multi span polytunnel BPC recommends permission 1, for the reasons below. 4 bay multi span polytunnel will replace previous structures and are designed to fit in with existing nursery layout and functionality. New structures cannot be seen by neighbouring properties and are well screened. Development allows for two additional full time jobs and</p>	

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		<p>supports the local economy with a minimal increase in vehicle movement. Proposed: Cllr. Reece Seconded : Cllr. Steele DESIGN GUIDE Cllr. Steele provided an update on key issues around the NPA's draft updated Design Guide. The Planning Committee's view is that there is inadequate reference to: the significance of Art and Craft houses in the parish; no special reference around SSSI's, including the banks of Beaulieu river and Solent shoreline; windows; landscaping and lighting. Also building materials should be local where possible. It would be helpful if there is reference to these aspects in the new guidance as we are in one of the most sensitive areas in NF when it comes to planning applications. Chairman thanked Cllr. Steele for summary, and proposed to Council that Cllr. Steele and he finalise our feedback to NPA. Proposed: Cllr. Dolbear Seconded: Cllr. Fairweather B: ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAYGROUND Cllr. Dearing reported that she had a helpful meeting with Peter Stagg who has fixed fencing around playground and gate. Ramp still requires work. Replacement gardener has been found and completed first work on Playground and Twinning Garden and will continue on this. The upgrading to replace kicker boards was discussed and Cllr. Fairweather observed that using a non-timber composite material would provide better longevity than replacing with a timber product and Cllr. Dearing agreed to examine this. Chairman tabled finance summary for Asset Management activity, which confirmed that £1,691 out of the budget of £3,550 had been committed to date. Estimated that a further £357 of will be covered within the Committee's discretionary spend to cover additional bark, repair of the notices and general garden maintenance. Future work yet to be approved amounted to £2,265. Chairman commented that if we complete all the work the spend is estimated to be slightly over budget but this would be covered out of our contingencies.</p>	Cllr Dearing
2047	BPC REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS	<p>SPEEDWATCH Cllr. Grindrod reported one had been cancelled, one very busy and others scheduled. Someone received ticket and was fined. Chairman thanked Cllr. Grindrod for his work on this. S.E. QUADRANT MEETING</p>	

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		<p>Cllr. Reece reported :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnership Plan – 300,000 views on website and 370 responses. Direction for temporary camp sited consultation. Looking at what is going to happen next year. Concern NF has three times the number of camp sites to any other NP. Encouraging as much feedback as possible. NPA has to give 12 months notice to landowners for any changes. 30 comments received on consultation which ends 7th November. Nature Recovery/Net Zero with Nature. NFNP Draft Desig Guide Consultation. Cllr. Steele dealing with this. NPA General Update Key focus on climate change issues. Open Forum Discussion on that PC's have not been informed about permitted development rights for agricultural buildings. PC's will now be informed of such rights. Reference was made to the 'Pedals' cycling events at Burley. Supporting people to ride or improve their riding. 	
2048	FINANCE	<p>CHEQUES BVHT - £45.00 – Room Hire NFDC - £125.00 – GIS Partnership R. Knight - £45.00 – Garden maintenance 3D Farming Partnership - £424.20 – Bark Royal British Legion - £60.00 – Wreath Clerks Salary - £750.00 HMRC - £1.79 Chairman tabled half year financial summary [NB: this is posted on BPC website], which showed a surplus of £4,762 for the six months to date reflecting the receipt of the precepts of £8,000 in total. With the planned spend over the rest of the year, a full year deficit of £3,257 is estimated, which is £432 over budget. Chairman confirmed that the council had adequate reserves to accommodate this if it transpired.</p>	
2049	AOB	Chairman commented that we would like an update of broadband. Cllr. Fairweather	Clerk to get

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	<p>commented that broadband had been installed in the High Street, but nobody informed.</p> <p>Cllr. Fairweather reported that the police had requested CCTV access following attempted murder on Exbury Road, which was provided. Also commented that to ensure we have adequate cover, one other Cllr. should have access to CCTV system. Chairman volunteered to do this.</p> <p>Cllr. Fairweather reported the CCTV server was 10 years old and probably due an update. Agreed that Cllr. Fairweather would table a proposal</p> <p>The council considered the access of CCTV footage and confirmed that access would be restricted to requests from police or other authorities only.</p> <p>Cllr. Reece reported that Cllr. Knight and herself had been to a Environmental Land seminar, re Defra changing things. Will report and circulate.</p> <p>Cllr. Reece said at planning meeting she slipped on ground after last step of village hall because of moss on ground. Clerk to report to BVH manager</p> <p>Chairman recorded the Council's thanks to Mrs Grindrod for putting out flooding sign outside the Beaulieu Garage when required and taking the initiative in this.</p>	<p>update</p> <p>Cllr. Hubbard</p> <p>Cllr Fairweather</p> <p>Cllr. Reece</p> <p>Clerk</p>
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All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise reported

Meeting closed at 8.40p.m.

Date of Next Meeting – 18th November 2021