

BEAULIEU PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING ON THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017  
AT BEAULIEU VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT**

Cllr. F. Norris (Chairman), Cllr. P. Fairweather (Vice Chairman), Cllr. S. Steele, Cllr. L. Shanks Cllr. C. Knight, Cllr. S. Blastock

**APOLOGIES**

Cllr. S. Gibbs, Cllr. M. Grindrod,

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Cllr. M. Harris, Cllr. K. Mans, Mrs. E. Schofield, Mr. A. Mills, Mrs. N. Deering (Clerk)

1467. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Proposed: Cllr. Blastock      Seconded: Cllr. Knight

1468. **MATTERS ARISING**

1456. Cllr. Norris said a matter was brought up by a parishioner about the state of the light in the High Street. Clerk contacted the Beaulieu Estate and owners of the tree pointing out the problem. Beaulieu Estate unable to help as tree on private land. Owner said he would instruct tree surgeon to undertake remedial work. Tree surgeon has been booked. Cllr. Shanks said when they looked at lighting a couple of months ago there was a light out in the High Street. Cllr. Norris said it is a problem.

1469. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr. Knight – Hilltop planning application

1470. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mrs. Schofield said pleased to hear that the tree obstructing the light will be sorted. Also mentioned cars parking in the school who are not displaying a permit. One had two bikes on rack and they went cycling for the day. Said my neighbour is not happy as we cannot always get to park there at the weekend, so unable to free up space in the High Street for visitors to go shopping and makes a farce of us having permits. Cllr. Shanks said is there a sign saying 'permit holders only'? Cllr. Norris said not that he is aware of. Said this is policed by Beaulieu Estate, we need to speak to them to ask if they are going to put signage up to say 'permit holders only car park outside school hours'. Then we might have a problem with teachers wanting to go into school outside school hours, who would not be displaying a permit. Cllr. Steele said don't the school have permits? Cllr. Norris replied not that he was aware of. Cllr. Shanks said it is not actually policed, so all the sign would do is deter. Cllr. Norris said it would stop honest people parking there and as we know signage does work.

1471. **POLICE LIAISON**

PC Eastwood not present. Cllr. Norris said he feels all reasonably quiet at the moment. Cllr. Knight mentioned that a dog has had some sheep at Exbury and PC Eastwood dealing with it.

1472. **HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**

Cllr. Mans said they have passed budget recommendations for next two years.

Said they are finding ways to save money and said council tax will go up by 1.99%. 2/3% for adult social care. Asked government to do two things, to allow us to run a pilot scheme to charge 50p for pensioners using their bus passes. If we do that we can maintain/improve the service which is free at the moment. Said with the cuts, parts of the NF bus service have shrunk, so elderly cannot use the service as no buses. Other area is waste disposal, sites we have we will struggle to keep open unless we can charge £1 for each visit. Again that would require legislation, however the Sec of State may allow us to try the pilot scheme. Wanted to check we have all the grit bins we need. Do they need refilling? Cllr. Norris said we have one at Bunkers Hill, asked Cllr. Knight if we have anything at Hilltop. Cllr. Knight replied as this is main road it does get gritted, but said they never grit Bunkers Hill even though we have asked and asked, as it is very dangerous and always cars coming to grief there. Said he has not looked in grit bin. Cllr. Steele said now cuts are established is there anything that we will notice/have an impact here? Cllr. Mans said they are making savings right across the board, but cannot think of anything specific. Said he has to save 30m in children's services. The way they are going to do that is trying to put more money into social workers in the short term to try to ensure we have less children in care. Said they are now using technology to assist the elderly in different ways. Hopes this will be a difference for the better. Using a device called Alexia, which is voice activated and will get in touch with people. We are the first county in the country to start this trial. So maybe one or two changes but trying to keep this to a bare minimum. Cllr. Norris said we have obviously survived our waste site. Noticed when you had budget cutting meeting in Winchester, that on the TV most of the protestors were about waste sites, but you have managed to keep them. Said yes probably can if we are allowed to charge. If not we will have to come up with another plan, maybe reduce hours, but this will increase queues and encourage fly-tipping. Cllr. Norris said that Lin Thornber phoned to say Ken's funeral will be at Beaulieu Abbey Church on 1<sup>st</sup> December at 12 noon. Said important that some of us attend, said he would be attending and said it would be nice if the Clerk could attend, because some of you have worked with Ken a long time. Said going to be a memorial service in the cathedral in the new year. Cllr. Mans said he was very grateful for mentioning this as he should have done. Said very sad as known him 40 years. Cllr. Steele said he was very good to Beaulieu and had a soft spot for here and always fought our case. We owe him a lot and a great shame he has gone.

1473. **NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCILS REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**

Cllr. Harris arriving late due to previous meeting.

Cllr. Harris said apologies for lateness in attending our meeting. Said he believes an email has gone out to all PC's regarding procedures in place in the event of a death within the Royal family. Said everyone needs to be prepared and have plans in place. Cllr. Norris said it is something that we will think about. Also wanted to talk about parking. Said had meeting with Cllr. Steele and then met with Mrs. Pearson, who is absolutely behind the project. She has had a meeting with the NP in order to get their blessing for the Estate to move the planning consent they have on some land and move to another piece of land, which would free up the land to

become a car park for 25 cars, for traders and their staff to park there, rather than the public car park or High Street. Said in turn I have the Transport Dept. at at NFDC on standby to do the work up to £3,000 of which the PC will pay half to look at parking bays etc in the High Street, so we can get better short stay parking for shoppers, enabling them to stop for ½ - 1 hours and pop into the shops. Said I think we are moving forward and feel optimistic and will keep on top of this. Have mentioned before that we now have to get traders to meet and discuss, see how they react and encourage their staff to not use spaces that could be used by their customers. Cllr. Steele said the really important thing you said was to have a meeting with Steve Avery. Said it is essential the planners realise why the Estate are asking to move the planning consent to the new site. Said it is for the economic good of the village. Cllr. Norris said vibrant communities. Cllr. Harris said the Steve Avery absolutely understands why we are trying to do this and on our side. Said he feels he realises it is a very serious problem. Said Mrs. Pearson knows she has to get the plans submitted by 30<sup>th</sup> November. Said we need to draw everyone together and get traders on our side. Said he tried to talk to Mrs. Pearson about the Church Meadow car park, said it is under utilised and one large employer maybe able to use this for their staff, to free up spaces in the village. Said historically Lord Montagu has not supported this, but have a couple of social events coming up on the Estate and know at one of them that Lord Montagu will be present, so hoping our paths will cross and I can mention it, rather than have a formal meeting. Cllr. Steele said he may not realise that a lot of the car park is taken up by RWD. Said it is with the best intentions to keep everyone off the High Street, but it means half the car park is full. Said we have a village car park which is half full of workers and no room for visitors. Cllr. Shanks said when we spoke to Mrs. Pearson about this, it was suggested that RWD might be prepared to park in the Museum car park and cycle to their office. It would make a huge amount of sense and free up spaces in the car park. We need to say to Lord Montagu that we are on the cusp of something magnificent happening, because of your generosity and one more thing we need is to free up the car park. Said maybe a sign in the museum car park to say come and buy your gifts in the village. Cllr. Steele said it would be great if museum visitors could come through Clock House to the village, but the Estate are adamant they cannot, but that would be a way of the village benefiting. Said at the moment the village does not benefit from visitors who go to the museum, and in fact on the losing side, as they get the bulk of the problems. Cllr. Norris said Beaulieu village need to be stronger in branding itself and that there is a village here, a living community. Said most people when they think of Beaulieu, they think of the road sign with Beaulieu written on it and think immediately of Palace House gardens and Motor Museum. Cllr. Steele said we need to get the traders together and Cllr. Norris said they have come together over the Christmas afternoon. Said there is a meeting on Tuesday. Said thinks Angie Lewis is getting some traders together, as there are other issues to talk about. Cllr. Steele said if we wait to see how the planning application goes, that we have actually the use of that field, then perhaps we can talk to them and tell them what has been achieved and what we want from them to uphold their side. We want them to be co-operative. Cllr. Norris agreed.

Said we will be very disappointed if we have gone through all this and find they are still parking in the High Street. Said that is why we need timed bays in the High Street or something, then they will have to use the car park, unless they only want to park for a short time. Said NFDC will not start looking at traffic regulations until it is confirmed that it is definitely happening. Cllr. Harris confirmed this and said we need to make it happen. Cllr. Steele wanted to check that we had not lost the funding, Cllr. Harris said we still have it and will make sure we do not lose it. Cllr. Steele said we thank Cllr. Harris as feels we are getting somewhere, said it seemed we were in total log-jam, but now some movement. Said if planning is turned down it will be very sad. Cllr. Harris said Cllr. Steele's traffic survey had started this. Mr. Schiller said if you need my help in getting hold of anyone, please just let me know. Cllr. Norris thanked Cllr. Harris and Mr. Schiller.

1474. **HOLGER SCHILLER, PARTNERSHIP & COMMUNITY OFFICER AT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY**

Cllr. Norris welcomed Mr. Schiller to our meeting. Mr. Schiller said he has recently joined the NPA in the planning policy team, and looking after the Partnership Plan. Said it is important to say it is not a NPA document, it is NP together with councils, FC, Verderers etc. Said it contains 90 priority actions. Involved looking after database and map progress, highlight our achievements. Said this plan needs to be revised starting next year, so will be consulting with parish councils and last time it was published everyone had their say. It is a very important document. Every NP in England has to have this document. Cllr. Steele asked if you have a partnership with BT Open Reach, as something important in this rural area is decent broadband, and lack of it is holding a lot of businesses up. Is this something you and the NP can help us with. Asked if you have any lean on trying to get better broadband locally. Mr. Schiller said not directly, as it is more DC, but said we can lobby. Said in the plan there is an action for broadband and they are trying to help. Cllr. Steele asked if he could help Beaulieu. Mr. Schiller said he does not know who is driving this and Cllr. Norris said this is the problem. Said you go to a meeting and find there is a different group of people there, so you never know who is involved and who is leading from HCC, because it does change. Cllr. Norris said we have been to meetings three years ago and went to one organized by HCC, HCC officers, BT Open Reach, Beaulieu, Exbury, East Boldre and Denny Lodge parish councils were present. We got funding and because of trouble we had with other stake holders, the funding got lost and went elsewhere. Told at that meeting we would have broadband in Beaulieu in three months, still have not got it. I met Maria Miller who was Minister of Culture three years ago and he told me in three months time we would have broadband. Said we have a small outpost at Bucklers Hard with green cabinet and we have managed to get high speed broadband there and our sister parish at East Boldre now has it and about 10 houses in Furzey Lodge, who are in the parish of Beaulieu has it. They actually came and thanked the parish council for delivering high speed broadband, but the majority of Beaulieu, the hub of the community, are still without. Told now that the problem is the exchange only lines, as a lot of us have lines directly to the telephone

exchange. That is the problem and told it will be six months before they think about it, but two years ago we were told we would have wonderful broadband because coming straight out of the exchange to premise it would be the fastest broadband. Said it is very difficult to get anything done. Mr. Schiller said they can write letters of support, but will find out more about it. Cllr. Norris said there must be targets somewhere that someone has to meet. Said when you talk to Open Reach they say they are meeting their targets in Hampshire, probably are but not in the forest, we are being sidetracked. That is why we need the strong NP fighting for us. Mr. Schiller said he attended Denny Lodge parish council meeting and they have issues to. Cllr. Mans said we have been mislead. Said the ones near the cabinet got it and the ones near the exchange did not. Said we will get there in the end, but it is much slower than thought. Said high speed broadband is becoming more important in the countryside rather than in the cities. Said farmers etc need to do their monthly returns on line and it is pretty depressing if you cannot even get on line. Cllr. Norris said most government departments are on line only. Said if you live in a city there will be places near you where you can get on line. Said it is a very good way of generating prosperity in the area without overcrowding the area. Cllr. Steele said it will allow people to work and generate wealth. Cllr. Mans agreed. Creating economic growth without the usual things that go with economic growth i.e population, more transport, more travel. Said he is totally on our side and we need to fight together to make it happen. Mr. Schiller said the second part of his job is the community part, to create/maintain/strengthen communities and see how the NP can help support parishes. Said only joined a few months ago so does not have the answer to broadband, but will follow it up. Other things he has been doing is he has been to Hale PC, they had questions re grants and funding for village hall extension and car park resurfacing. Said he has worked for NP's before and done lots of grants and fund-raising himself, so I was able to work out a funding plan for them. Said Ashurst PC were not sure if they wanted a parish plan or a neighborhood plan, so told them the differences, the pros and cons. They went for a parish plan and I was able to help them. Boldre PC had a footpath issue and I told them about a grant fund available, 50% HCC, 25% NPA and 25% from themselves. It is an advisory role, a signposting role. Said we have a grant funding expert at the NP as well. So if we have any projects we need funding for, ask me and I will try and help. Also sits on planning policy team looking at affordable housing and Hampshire Alliance Rural Housing, so aim to increase affordable housing in NF. In charge of brown field sites register, which every local authority in England has to produce. Database on sites that could be developed. Cllr. Norris asked are there many in the forest within the NP? Replied there are 21 at present. Would like to take this opportunity to say if the NP can help with anything or if you have a query and do not know who to contact then please ask me. Said cannot comment on specific planning applications, but can feed back. Cllr. Norris asked if this is going to replace the quadrant meetings, which are useful, will they continue? Replied that they will continue. Said they are an opportunity to share what is happening at the moment. They also try to help people understand policies like recreational strategy. Cllr. Norris said does

the recreational strategy concern visitors or residents and does it involve car parking? Replied yes it does. Said most people have highlighted about learning about the NF, education side, that has been identified as a big gap. They would like better understanding for residents and visitors. Cllr. Steele said we are hoping to put in a new car park, and asked if there would be any possibility that we would be able to get a grant to help. Mr. Schiller said it is always possible, but funding for car parks are not the most attractive, so could be difficult. Said Hale PC needed funding for village hall and car parking and in the past had often been turned down for funding, so in my experience what works best is if you have a holistic plan, a regeneration plan, that would encompass many different areas within the parish and then approach a funder with an overall plan, rather than applying for a specific thing. Said we need to prove some community benefit and a real need, then that is always a good start. Cllr. Steele said she just wanted to make sure there is no obvious local grant. Replied that you could get a small fund from the Big Lottery, up to £10,000 or Awards for All. PC's are eligible. Cllr. Steele said we might have to look at refurbishing of the playground. Mr. Schiller said this is a nice project and easier than getting funding for a car park. Cllr. Blastock asked if we could have a copy of the report, but can only be downloaded. Cllr. Norris thanked Mr. Schiller very much for coming to talk to us and said it has improved our understanding.

#### 1475. **PLANNING**

Cllr. Norris said if anyone wishes to leave this meeting now, please do so. Said have a problem tonight with the screen as it is not working.  
 Hilltop House, 17/00929 LBC + 17/00814 Single storey conservatory to side/rear of property. Demolition of garage. Cllr. Knight left the room. Cllr. Steele said when we first passed planning permission it was like a glass box. Cllr. Norris says it now looks rather urban. Said we now have an update, as he phoned the NP as nothing posted on the website, but have just emailed the clerk to say 'delayed sending parish briefing, because the proposal has implications for historic fabric of the building. Planning issues are quite straight forward'. Cllr. Norris said this is because the conservation officer not looked at it. They said be grateful if delay comments until LBC application has been validated and put through to me I will then brief the parish at that stage. Cllr. Norris feels it will not be passed.  
 Ice House – land at Palace House – 17/00885 – Completion of repairs.  
 Cllr. Norris said this is part of our past, our future and NP project. Restoration of an ice house built in 1870's. It is slightly dilapidated and ended up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War as an apple store and found a pigsty by the side of it and reason for this was, any rotten apples were given to the pigs. This was the last use of it. Front of it has fallen out. Said those of you who went on the heritage briefing course will be quite interested as they analyse all the mortar etc, massive project. There is a heritage statement if you would like to read this. Think it is good that it is being restored and also it is being used as one of those projects and on the NP agenda to do this sort of thing. Therefore I would support it. All councilors in support. No. 1.

11 The Hummicks – 17/00899 – Certificate of lawful development. Cllr. Norris said there is no documents on the website. When we first looked at the garage

application last time, there was this one sitting there, but not seen anything to indicate what it is about. Said unless they have built it already. Cllr. Steele said definitely not. Cllr. Norris said they got planning permission for what they wanted on garage and house, so wonder why they have done that. Said shall we just leave it? Cllr. Steele said when we went there originally there is an internal garage and it is becoming part of the house. Could that internal garage not have had the relevant planning permission in the beginning? Cllr. Norris said you are correct and they should not have built one there. Cllr. Steele said when we first went there they said the garage was not in the original plans, so think that is what it is. Cllr. Norris said shall we support it then, if they have been told to go for a certificate it usually means it will get passed. Cllr. Fairweather said can we risk it if we do not have any details? Cllr. Norris said if we give it a No. 1 we can go with the decision reached by the NP. All agreed that NP can make the decision. Heatherlands, Furzey Lane – 17/00941 – Replacement dwelling and detached garage.

We passed this for demolition and rebuild and everything was fine with that and gone through. This is a slight modification to the original plan re window size and slight reordination of the building. Asked to consider the implications on the neighbours. One neighbour, mostly affected has written letter of support and I happened to meet the other neighbour and he has no problems with it. If neither of the neighbours has a problem, then I do not see why we should oppose it. All agreed – No. 1.

Had briefing note late today for Hatteras at Furzey Lane – 17/00966 The NP describe it as a building of no great architectural merit. We looked at plans and felt the floor space calculations were a bit incorrect. The briefing notes are talking about the incorporation of a garage and whether that is part of the habitable space. This application has just come in and we need to think about it and make a decision at the next meeting.

Also see Sir Basil Spence's house has come on website this afternoon. This is Spence House in Dock Lane, again we will leave till next meeting. Said we will arrange site visits.

Tree works – Furzey Lane – Mr. Downs, will leave till on website.

The Vicarage, next to Heatherlands, tree officer feels acceptable. All councillors happy.

### **PLANNING DECISIONS**

17/00282 – Clock House – Granted

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Tree Works

CONS/17/0927 – The Rectory – Raise no objections

CONS/17/0932 – Vine Cottage – Raise no objections

CONS/17/0815 – Fairweathers Garden Centre – Raise no objections

CONS/17/0818 – Patrick's Patch – Raise no objections

### **1476. CAR PARKING**

Cllr. Norris asked if anyone had anything further to say, feels we have covered this.

### **1477. CCTV**

Cllr. Fairweather said there has been no requests for images in the last month. Hopefully a good sign. Said last month there was a request for me to look at signs for the shops. Prices – 25 x A5 double sided fomex signs that could hang are £12 each or £8 for a double sided sticker. Suggests wording ‘CCTV images are being recorded in Beaulieu Village by the PC to prevent crime and protect residents and visitors’. Said these are my draft thoughts with image of camera. Said they are not cheap. Think stickers would probably be easier. Said can do something more amateurish. Cllr. Norris said if we do that they might not take any notice. Cllr. Shanks said do we need double sided, a lot of windows really just need to see from road side. Cllr. Fairweather said he does not like putting stickers in window where you can see the back. Cllr. Norris said as visitors go into shops wants the first thing they see is the sign. Asked how shop lifting was going? Cllr. Fairweather said he had not heard of any issues recently. Cllr. Steele said we have the equipment, thinks the job should be done properly and shows we are supporting traders. Cllr. Norris asked for proposal.

Proposed : Cllr. Steele      Seconded : Cllr. Knight

Cllr. Norris said that’s nice as supported by two people who are not traders. All agreed on double sided stickers. Cllr. Fairweather to email Cllr. Norris the copy and see if it can be tidied up. Cllr. Norris said Cllr. Grindrod has put a statement on the website regarding our CCTV policy. Cllr. Shanks said the website seems to be getting better.

1478. **BROADBAND**

Cllr. Norris asked if anyone wished to say anything, said he did not have an update, other than to ask again in 6 months. Cllr. Fairweather said he understands something is happening in a small pocket of Exbury about leased lines. Not sure if potentially a way of bringing forward and as an upgrade for the village. Said RWD have brought a leased line in conjunction with the Museum or Palace House and there is an ability for more businesses to commit to a leased line, not cheap approx. £500 per month, but residents and businesses next to it, can pick up on the back of it to share the cost. Said he has 3 broadband lines but we need a 4<sup>th</sup> and getting close to thinking we might go down that route, wondering whether it is something that can be explored in terms of bringing our upgrade to high speed quicker, by other people piggybacking on this. Cllr. Steele asked if there was a number of those that can piggyback? Cllr. Fairweather said he has not asked. Cllr. Mans said he has been in touch with Exbury PC and maybe worth having a word with then, as thinks Dan Snow is doing this. Cllr. Norris asked Cllr. Fairweather to take it further.

1479. **COASTAL PATH**

Cllr. Steele said she has not a lot more to report. Reported at the moment NE are talking to the Exbury and Beaulieu Estates about the possibility of a ferry between Bucker’s Hard and Gilbury, which would solve the problem of the excessive amount of spreading room that the current proposed route results in. The size of the spreading room could be contested in law and NE are aware there are some deep pockets in this stretch of the path. Its known that the Exbury Estate are not keen on the ferry idea as they have problems with their jetty and have a lot of crime there which requires the area to be kept locked. The



advantage of a ferry means that the path they are currently suggesting which would be used when the ferry was not operating, would not have spreading room attached to it. Under the current plan all the unexcepted land between the Exbury Road and the river becomes spreading room. This enormous amount of spreading room is catching the horse fields and all sorts of areas which the act never intended. There is not another route through the end of Dock Lane as you cannot get through Simmonds Wood so they are having to go up to the Exbury Road. This is why originally the Beaulieu Estuary group asked them to consider a break in the path which there is a facility to do in the Act. The ferry could be the existing water taxi which operates on a seasonal basis. The whole thing has been delayed but NE are trying to get it back on course by Christmas, though its doubtful this is possible. Cllr. Norris said they have left the tough nuts to crack until the end, as all the easy bits have been done. Cllr. Steele said she would enquire as to what our rights were as a PC to put in an objection and would report back to the council. As a PC our main concern is parking and we should make our views known to them on this issue. She will keep us informed as to when we can do this and is happy to draft something when needed.

Cllr. Norris said he wanted to ask Mr. Mills about the Beaulieu Estate meeting as was unable to attend. Cllr. Blastock said she attended. Mr. Mills said they mentioned that events previously run will happen again next year, with the exception of Truck Mania. Said one or two other events growing. Principally focusing on issues of noise, traffic exhibition entrance. Asked if there was another system that can be used as people parked outside Three Dials at 6.30a.m waiting to get in and causing traffic queues. Cllr. Steele said this is mainly Autojumble. Cllr. Blastock said it was Autojumble, Japanese and Ford events are the worse. They said they will look at this. Cllr. Norris said it has always been a problem at Exhibitors Entrance. Generally said this is what we are doing and there are things that have upset you in the past and we think we have dealt with them. Cllr. Blastock said Embers Camping was mentioned and a couple of Furzey Lane residents said about the issue of the pathway made public by the camp site and also managing the people that stay. They wanted to know if planning is going through for permanent showers etc. Cllr. Norris asked if they are going to run the camp site again and Mr. Mills said they do intend to run it. Cllr. Norris thanked Mr. Mills.

#### 1480. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Cllr. Norris said we have correspondence regarding Royal Protocol. Basically what action if any does the PC intend to take in the event of a Royal death. Opening books of condolence, location of books, times etc, flying flags at half or full mast. Providing a location for laying flowers. Said we need to think about this. Said the church would certainly do something. Passed details to Cllr. Steele who said she will let Cllr. Norris know her thoughts and discuss at next meeting. Data Protection – Said by next year we need a Data Protection Officer. Asked if anyone was looking forward to doing that. There is a course being run by NFDC on 12<sup>th</sup> December. Cllr. Steele thought Cllr. Grindrod would be good as his work is compliance of standards, so imagine he knows a bit about this. Clerk to ask. Message from a parishioner that a dog has been messing in the playground and

school playing field. School said they had a problem in their field at the beginning of the week. Cllr. Norris asked Cllr. Harris if we still have dog wardens and if they would come out, as said they have been to East Boldre. Cllr. Harris said email NFDC and ask them. Cllr. Shanks asked if there was signage. Cllr. Norris feels we should put stickers on the gate etc. Lloyds Bank - £16,106. Cllr. Shanks asked if we have paid for CCTV. Cllr. Norris confirmed we have. Cllr. Fairweather said we now only pay yearly maintenance of approx. £200

NFDC – Enforcement list

HCC – Admissions to schools and drive slowly and Inside your gate notices

CPRE – Membership card

Forest Matters – given to Cllr. Blastock

ICO – Renewal

Glasdon brochure

Clerks and Councils Direct

#### 1481. **CHEQUE SIGNING**

Cllr. Norris said it was his privilege on Sunday to attend the Abbey Church on behalf of the PC and lay a wreath to the dead of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> World War, in memory. Was asked to read the names. We are giving £60 to the Royal British Legion. Said it was a good job we did lay the wreath as a lot of these organisations are beginning to disappear and we are really replacing the Beaulieu and East Boldre branch of the British Legion. Noticeable that one of the engineering regiments were not represented and only 5 wreaths. Said it was quite moving ceremony and the church was full. Cllr. Steele said it was an excellent sermon.

Royal British Legion - £60.00

BVHT - £36.00

Proposed: Cllr. Blastock      Seconded: Cllr. Steele

Cllr. Norris gave Mrs. Schofield details of the Village Warden.

#### 1482. **QUESTION TIME**

Cllr. Shanks mentioned the switching on of the Christmas lights in the village and said the Cooke-Hurle's would like to switch theirs on at the same time. Cllr. Fairweather said 4.30pm on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>. Said can we talk about vines. Cllr. Steele said Jenny Graefe is looking after two from the Twinning, and she would like to know what to do with them as she is moving. Cllr. Shanks said the school might like one, maybe Palace House? Said Twinning Garden has two already and no room in the courtyard. Cllr. Fairweather said what about the vineyard. Cllr. Shanks will contact the school.

Cllr. Blastock said in the Lymington Times on 3<sup>rd</sup> November they covered the Verderers Court that she attended and they mentioned the running event. Cllr. Gibbs thought it was a mountain biking event with head torches. He wanted to know the company involved. Cllr. Blastock said all the details are in there, they also mentioned the abuse of the forest with large cycling events and that it is unacceptable.

Cllr. Fairweather is exploring the idea of getting an update on the village notice board, by Queensmeade. Said will gather new information from new traders.

Wonders if the Estate will pay, if not may ask the PC if they will fund a reprint. Mentioned that Queensmeade flower bed is untidy and could we ask the Estate about this. Cllr. Shanks said when you have gathered all the information, could you pass to Mark to update the website. Cllr. Fairweather said it was a good idea. Cllr. Knight mentioned the roadside drain from police house to the ditch further on, it needs rodding and cleaning, as water is always running down the road. Cllr. Mans said send an email to HCC and cc him in. Cllr. Norris asked if the noisy drain cover in Palace Lane has been sorted. Cllr. Knight said it has not been repaired. Cllr. Steele said this is causing Mrs. Markby distress. Clerk said Colin Hibberd, HCC is aware of it. Cllr. Knight said the road surface at top of the High Street has not been done. Cllr. Norris said HCC have said it will be done in January and they will have to close the road.

Meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

Date of Next Meeting - Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2017 at 6.30p.m. in the Main Hall of the Village Hall.