

# BECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in Clifford Suite, Beckington Memorial Hall on:

**TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 @ 7:30pm**

**Present:**

Councillors; Mr M Wilson (Chairman), Mrs P Fox, Mrs E Wright, Mr C Winterbourne, Ms J Beresford, Mr R Kelly, Mr K Bishop.

**In attendance:**

Mr S Pritchard - Parish Clerk.

**Public participation:**

(None)

<b>Agenda Number:</b>	<b>Agenda Item:</b>
<b>81</b>	<b><u>Apologies for absence:</u></b> None.
<b>82</b>	<b><u>Declarations of interest &amp; dispensations to participate:</u></b> <b>A.</b> None <b>B.</b> None
<b>83</b>	<b><u>Adoption of previous Council minutes:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February</b></li></ul> <p><b>It was proposed by Cllr Beresford to adopt the minutes, seconded by Cllr Wright and resolved unanimously.</b></p>
<b>84</b>	<b><u>Planning, Tree &amp; Licensing applications:</u></b> <b>A. <u>To receive any planning, tree or licensing applications made to Mendip District Council and pass comment:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>2019/0216/HSE – 3 Green Park Lane: No Objection</b></li><li>• <b>2019/0456/TCA - 6 Warminster Road: No Objection</b></li></ul> <b>B. <u>To note responses sent to MDC between meetings under the Clerks delegated authority (As per the agenda):</u></b> Noted.
<b>85</b>	<b><u>Parish Council Accounts:</u></b> <b>A. Payments:</b> <b>The following payments were proposed for payment by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr Winterbourne and resolved unanimously:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Clerks expenses (PC Repair) – Camelot Tech Ltd - £300.00</li></ol> <b>B. To receive bank reconciliation and budget to date:</b> Received. It was noted by the Chairman that the Council had now reached the end of the financial year and the projected year spend and the budget look set to be the same.

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86	<p><b><u>Sue's Walk revamp:</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Winterbourne had talked with the landowner who didn't want to take on clearing the small patch of land himself and had concerns over irresponsible dog owners who didn't clean-up after their dog and won't keep them on a lead when the fields have livestock in them. The landowner wanted to explore a way of increasing awareness of the permissive path he offers and encouragement of dog owners to clear up after their dog.</p> <p>Members felt the permissive path could be better signposted and kept cut in the summer. Cllr Fox felt that the Council should consult with residents over many possible new projects, of which this could be one, by calling a Village meeting and asking opinions. The Clerk said the earliest this could now happen would be after the new council had taken office in May, so the meeting would be June.</p>
87	<p><b><u>Beckington – Clear it up! - Campaign:</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Beresford reported that she had approached the school to ask if the children could have a competition to come up with a design. Members wanted to know what the full proposal was, with costings, before giving the campaign a budget. Cllr Beresford agreed to bring this to a future meeting of the Council.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action – Cllr Beresford</b></p>
88	<p><b><u>Village Pump – Further repairs:</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Winterbourne had talked with the Mr Hewitt who is carrying out the repairs. It had been established that the whole restoration could be completed within three weeks.</p> <p><b>Cllr Winterbourne proposed that the Council pay the extra £250 cost, if the work is completed within three weeks of the meeting date (12<sup>th</sup> March), seconded by Cllr Fox and resolved unanimously.</b></p> <p>The Clerk with write to Mr Hewitt to inform him of the proviso to the Council accepting the extra cost.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action – The Clerk</b></p>
89	<p><b><u>Assets insurance:</u></b></p> <p><b>Cllr Fox proposed that the Council set its cover at £15,000.00, seconded by Cllr Kelly and resolved unanimously.</b></p>

### End of formal meeting 20:23

a) **Planning & Development (Cllr Kelly)**

- Cllr Beresford reported: Warminster Road wall stones, a month ago many mysteriously came out of the wall and then disappeared. Did MDC take them? Or are they getting nicked?
- Cllr Bishop reported: DWH drain not finished.

b) **HR & Resources (Cllr Beresford)**

c) **Footpaths & Rights of way (Cllr Wright)**

- Response to SCC footpath survey sent. The Chairman thanked Cllr Wright for all her time on this.

d) **Highways & Local Transport (Cllr Bishop)**

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- *Cllr Wright reported: Speeding problem in Rudge, would like Village gateways, resident may even pay for them. Members asked for a definite proposal and costing to be brought to the Council.*
  - *The Clerk reported: The County Councillor had said in her annual report to the Parish Meeting that she was still waiting on a reply to her offer to get more 20PMG signs fitter within the 20MPH zone. This offer was gratefully accepted by the Council.*
- e) **Local Environment & Council Assets (Cllr Winterbourne)**
- *The Clerk reported: The grass cutting quote for summer 2019 had been received. This has increased by almost £600. Members indicated their surprise at the large increases and asked that Cllr Winterbourne talk with idverde to see what can be done.*
- f) **MDC & SALC Rep (Cllr Bishop)**
- *Cllr Bishop reported he had attended the Parish Forum at MDC. After the May election MDC plan to offer a comprehensive training program on planning matters.*
- g) **Rudge Rep (Cllr Wright)**
- *Cllr Wright reported: The Full Moon needs more support.*
- h) **The Beckington Charities (The Clerk & Cllr Beresford)**
- *The Clerk reported: No movement with the winding up of the charities, still have an open mind as to where the money could go. The lunch club was suggested as a possibility.*
- i) **Memorial Hall Rep (Cllr Wilson & The Clerk)**
- *The Chairman reported: He will have a meeting with Dave Prince, Chairman of the Memorial Hall committee to set some common ground in trying to move forwards the idea of a fundraising group for the playground.*
- j) **Allotments Rep (Cllr Wilson & Clerk)**
- *The Chairman reported: Things are moving along, had a site meeting with DWH & Cllr Kelly. The ground is very wet, going to dig a trial pit. Looking like it will need drainage pipes. Has told DWH the Council won't accept the land until its right.*
- k) **Parish Grant Funding and S106 Money (Cllr Fox)**
- *It was agreed that a Village meeting was needed.*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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