

# BECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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

**TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019 @ 7:00pm**

**Present:**

Councillors; Mr M. Wilson (Chairman), Mr C Winterbourne, Mr R Kelly, Mr K Bishop.

**In attendance:**

Mr S Pritchard - Parish Clerk.

**Public participation:**

(None)

**County & District Councillors reports:**

(No reports received)

<b>Agenda Number:</b>	<b>Agenda Item:</b>
<b>1</b>	<b><u>Apologies for absence:</u></b> Cllr Wright – Family commitment. Absent without apology: Cllr Fox
<b>2</b>	<b><u>Declarations of interest &amp; dispensations to participate:</u></b> <b>A.</b> None <b>B.</b> None
<b>3</b>	<b><u>Adoption of previous Council minutes:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019</b></li></ul> <p><b>It was proposed by Cllr Winterbourne to adopt the minutes, seconded by Cllr Bishop and resolved unanimously.</b></p>
<b>4</b>	<b><u>Planning, Tree &amp; Licensing applications:</u></b> <b><u>A. To receive any planning, tree or licensing applications made to Mendip District Council and pass comment:</u></b>  2019/1049/LBC & 2019/1048/FUL – No Objection. 2019/1120/OTA - Objection – Insufficient information for the Council to make an informed decision.  <b><u>B. To note responses sent to MDC between meetings under the Clerks delegated authority (As per the agenda):</u></b>  2019/1236/TCA - Proposed works to a tree in a conservation area:- T1 - Lawson Cypress - Fell. The Loft Mount Pleasant Bath Road Beckington Frome Somerset, 21 May 2019 Parish Council recommendation: No Objection  2019/0883/FUL - Retention of existing B1, B2 and B8 uses and creation of additional floor space for B2 use

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	<p>The Grey Building Stubbs Lane Beckington Frome Somerset, 29 Apr 2019 Parish Council recommendation: no objection</p> <p>2019/1034/TCA - Proposed works to trees in a conservation area:- T1 - Fell one dead Prunus. T2 - Crown reduce 2 Lawson by 3m. T3 - Lightly prune one Evergreen Magnolia. 22 Bath Road Beckington Frome BA11 6SW, 29 Apr 2019 Parish Council recommendation: no objection</p> <p>2019/0872/VRC - Application to vary condition 2 (drawing no.s) of planning approval 2018/2675/VRC (Convert and extend barn into a single dwelling) to drawing no.'s 3662/4 J and 3662/5 H. Tower Hill Barn Mill Lane Beckington Frome Somerset, 24 Apr 2019 Parish Council recommendation: no objection</p> <p>2019/0764/FUL - Proposed extension &amp; conversion of stable building to form holiday letting accommodation 1 Green Park Lane Cottages Green Park Lane Beckington Frome BA11 6TT, 23 Apr 2019 Parish Council recommendation: Objection</p> <p>2019/0691/HSE - Conversion of existing conservatory to form rear extension, change of roof material to existing lean-to rear extensions, erection of new porch, garden store, garage and toolshed. Proposed over-cladding of brick extension, lime render to building rear. 22 Warminster Road Beckington Frome BA11 6SY, 18 Apr 2019 Parish Council recommendation: Objection</p>
5	<p><b><u>Parish Council Accounts:</u></b></p> <p><b>A. Payments:</b> None.</p> <p><b>B. To receive the bank reconciliation and budget to date:</b> These were received and approved. The Clerk reported that as there was only one bank signatory at the meeting no outstanding payments can be made. NatWest has changed the form that it uses, so will need to contact the bank to get new format of form to add Cllr Bishop as a signatory.</p>
6	<p><b><u>Grant applications 2019:</u></b></p> <p><b>A. Beckington Litter pick – (up to) £200</b> <b>It was proposed by Cllr Bishop to grant the litter pick up to £200, seconded by Cllr Kelly and resolved unanimously</b></p> <p><b>B. The Network Magazine - £50</b> <b>It was proposed by the Chairman to award the Network £50, seconded by Cllr Winterbourne and resolved unanimously.</b></p>
7	<p><b><u>New member co-option:</u></b> The vacant seat has been advertised in the Network magazine, there has been no response. The Chairman has asked a few people, someone is yet to commit. Members agreed to co-opt when a suitable candidate had been identified.</p>
8	<p><b><u>Bus shelter, Frome road – Renovation:</u></b> Cllr Winterbourne reported to Members on the condition of the shelter. <b>It was proposed by the Chairman to give delegate authority to the Clerk to seek quotes for the maintenance work needed, commission the work and make the payment, within budget and in conjunction with the local environment and council assets portfolio holder, seconded by Cllr Winterbourne and resolved unanimously.</b></p>

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9	<p><b><u>Local council award scheme:</u></b>  <b>It was proposed by the Chairman to make the £50.00 payment to register for the award, seconded by Cllr Winterbourne and resolved unanimously.</b></p>
10	<p><b><u>Speed Indicator Device:</u></b>  The Chairman recommended to Members that rather than buying a SID, the Council should invest in some devices that are new to the market, these record the speed and number plate of a vehicle. This information is then downloaded onto a device and persistent offenders can be identified. Furthermore, the company is willing to guarantee that Somerset Police will accept the information and act upon it or give the Council its money back. The Chairman recommended buying four devices, Members agreed that they had a preference for this sort of device over a SID.  <b>It was resolved to recommend to the next meeting of Council, that the Council buy four devices at a total cost of £1,416.00 with an ongoing annual cost, after the first year of £201.60</b></p>
11	<p><b><u>Land next to 34 Bath road</u></b>  The estimated value of this land seems to be based on it obtaining planning permission for housing. It is agricultural grade land, so the guide price is too much.</p>
12	<p><b><u>FOCUS ON:</u></b></p> <p> <b>Highways:</b>  Cllr Bishop gave members a verbal report as to what highways issues he had been involved with this year;  Church Street /Hill one-way consultation – Speeding in the Village – Drainage work on Warminster Road (now cancelled) – Extra street lighting (would have to be paid for by the Parish Council) – Possible One-way system on the triangle – Warminster road sign missing – Bath road drainage.  Members set their top three priorities for the portfolio:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Consultation on possible one-way road on triangle</li> <li>○ Warminster road, getting missing sign replaced</li> <li>○ Bath road drainage, getting this long-term problem addressed.</li> </ul> <p> <b>Allotments:</b>  The Chairman gave members a verbal update on the progress with the allotments; David Wilson Homes have removed all weeds and large rocks / stones. Further topsoil will be going on soon. The Council should then be ready to agree to the transfer of the land. Need to resolve the question over who will pay the water rates. The marking out of the allotments will happen soon. The Council will be responsible for the fencing / tress and car park repairs.  Members agreed that the top priority was for the allotment association to approach the council with a proposal for how the relationship between the two organizations will work.</p>

**End of formal meeting:**

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

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