

# BECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the **Annual Council Meeting**  
held at Beckington Memorial Hall (Outside)  
on: **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021 @ 7:00pm**

**Present:**

**Councillors;** Mrs Paula Fox (Chairman), Mr Clive Winterbourne (Minute taker), Mr Kevin Bishop.

**In Attendance:**

(No one)

**Public Participation:**

No comment/questions.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
1	<p><b><u>Election of Parish Council Chairman:</u></b></p> <p>It was agreed to re-appoint Mark Wilson as the chairman for the 2021/22 municipal year. Proposed by Cllr Winterbourne and seconded by Cllr Fox.</p> <p><b><u>Vice chairperson:</u></b> re-appointment of Cllr Fox proposed by Cllr Winterbourne and seconded by Cllr Bishop.</p> <p>Under standing orders (5.J.1) chairman's acceptance of office form will be done at a later date.</p>
2	<p><b><u>Apologies for absence:</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Wright (family commitments), Cllr Kelly (on holiday), Cllr Wilson (on sabbatical), Simon Pritchard, parish clerk ( family commitments).</p>
3	<p><b><u>Declarations of pecuniary interests and dispensations to participate:</u></b></p> <p>None declared</p>
4	<p><b><u>Adoption of previous council meeting minutes:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b><u>Annual Meeting 2020</u></b> Under standing orders (5.J.2) were adopted in July 14<sup>th</sup> 2020.</li><li>• <b><u>Tuesday 9th February 2021</u></b> Cllr Fox wished point 90 to read "she fully supported the grant application as the pre-school had been unable to fundraise due to Covid-19 but had been informed (not suggested) about the school's reserve</li><li>• <b><u>Tuesday 9th March 2021</u></b> minutes deferred to next meeting.</li></ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Tuesday 29th April 2021</u></b> Point 117 - <b>Statement:</b> Cllr Fox stated that Beckington Parish Council does not have the General Power of Competence and thus it was agreed to put in a further two applications to the Somerset County Council Climate Grant Fund.</li> </ul> <p>Point 124 should say “schools” instead of “school” to reflect all Beckington schools.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><u>Tuesday 11th May 2021</u></b> – Informal meeting minutes deferred to next meeting.</li> </ul>
5	<p><b><u>Appointment of Members roles / portfolios:</u></b> Except for point K in which Cllr's Fox and Wilson will be in post, all others remain as stated.</p>
6	<p><b><u>Risk Assessment 2021/22:</u></b> This was reviewed and adopted by all present.</p>
7	<p><b><u>Parish Council Assets list:</u></b> The clerk's note regarding item 4 (park bench) was agreed to be removed from the list by Cllr Winterbourne in conjunction with the clerk's recommendation. Agreed (seconded) by Cllr Bishop</p>
8	<p><b><u>Annual Insurance Premium:</u></b> Received from the clerk and approved by all.</p>
9	<p><b><u>Regular payments: Clerks Salary:</u></b> Passed resolution. All overtime to be authorised by the HR panel before being carried out.</p>
10	<p><b><u>Delegated Power – Planning &amp; Tree Applications:</u></b> Agreed to read and incorporate “after consultation” rather than “in consultation”</p>
11	<p><b><u>Internal Audit 2020/21:</u></b> Deferred. As the deadline is June 30th it was agreed to call an extraordinary meeting in late June for this and points 12 and 13.</p>
12	<p><b><u>Annual Governance Statement 2020/21:</u></b> Deferred.</p>
13	<p><b><u>Annual Accounting Statement 2020/21:</u></b> Deferred.</p>
14	<p><b><u>Declaration of being exempt from external audit:</u></b> It was declared that the council is not exempt from the external audit due to the received annual income. Proposed by Cllr Fox and Seconded by Cllr Bishop.</p>

15	<p><b><u>Parish Council's Accounts:</u></b></p> <p><b>A. To approve the following payments:</b>  1) Shannon Brooke – Expenses Incurred - £87.00  Point A. proposed by Cllr Winterbourne and seconded by Cllr Fox.</p> <p><b>B. Budget to Date</b>  Point B. received the budget to date prepared by the clerk.</p>
16	<p><b><u>Somerset County Council: Climate Emergency Fund Grant:</u></b>  Deferred to next meeting</p>
17	<p><b><u>Cycling Strategy Report:</u></b>  Deferred</p>
18	<p><b><u>Green Agenda Item: Sustainable Beckington Group:</u></b>  Deferred</p>
19	<p><b><u>Verbal Reports and Updates:</u></b></p> <p>a) Planning &amp; Development:  b) Footpaths &amp; Rights of Way:  c) Highways &amp; Local Transport:  d) Local Environment &amp; Council Assets:  e) MDC Parish Forum &amp; SALC Rep:  f) Rudge Rep:  g) Allotments Reps:  h) Parish Grant Funding and S106 Money:  i) Unitary Grouping:</p> <p>All deferred</p>

***End of formal meeting 20:35***

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