

BECKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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FULL COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Full Council meeting of Beckington Parish Council held on Tuesday 13th June 2023 at 7.00pm in the Beckington Memorial Hall, Bath Road, Beckington, Frome BA11 6SH

PRESENT: Cllr Paula Fox (Chair), Cllr Clive Winterbourne, Cllr Liz Wright, Cllr Kevin Bishop and Cllr Mark Hollyoake.

ALSO PRESENT: Ward Councillor Dawn Denton, two members of the public and the Locum Clerk.

Prior to the start of the meeting fifteen minutes was allowed for questions and comments from members of the public. Two members of the public addressed the Council on three issues.

Cllr Denton presented the Ward Councillor Report, which was noted.

It was agreed that Cllrs Bishop and Winterbourne would represent Beckington Parish Council at the newly formed LCN meetings.

33. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

All Members were present.

34. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No Declarations of Interest made.

35. MINUTES

Council considered the minutes relating to recent Council meetings.

Proposed: Cllr Winterbourne Seconded: Cllr Fox

For: 4

Abstention: 1

RESOLVED to formally approve and adopt the following minutes of the Council meetings held:

- Annual Parish Meeting – 9th May 2023
- Annual Parish Council Meeting – 9th May 2023
- Extraordinary Meeting – 22nd May 2023

36. PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE APPLICATIONS:

Council received the planning update from Cllr Wright. It was agreed to make the following comments on the applications received:

2023/01818 and 2023/0874/TPO:

Proposed: Cllr Wright

Seconded: Cllr Hollyoake

Unanimous

RESOLVED to leave the applications to the Tree Officer.

2023/0753/FUL: Cllr Wright would submit an informed comment to planning once she had obtained the views of some of the neighbours.

2023/0840/APP: Noted that this application had now been approved.

2023/0962/AGB: Agreed to request an extension.

37. CYCLING AND WALKING LCWIP

Council received an update from Cllr Hollyoake. He presented the outline recommendations for the two routes, Beckington to Frome and Rudge to Beckington, which would be dealt with in two stages. Feasibility studies would be undertaken on both routes.

38. BECKINGTON CRICKET CLUB

Council received an update from Cllr Winterbourne. Following discussion Council agreed:

- To contact various local residents who may be able to suggest where the original Deeds are;
- Put a request into the Network Magazine asking people if they have any information and promote via Facebook;
- Review findings and responses at the September meeting.

39. BECKINGTON ALLOTMENTS

Council received an update from Cllr Bishop. Council noted that it now owned the allotment site and ownership had been registered with the Land Registry.

40. BUS SHELTERS

Council received an update from Cllr Winterbourne regarding progress. Following discussion it was agreed:

- To obtain three quotations to provide a bus shelter and a base;
- Cllr Winterbourne would forward all the information he had accumulated to date;
- Cllr Fox would forward the Clerk the S106 form;
- The Clerk would pursue the quotations and complete the S106 financial request.

41. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

Council received an update regarding the development of the Neighbourhood Plan. The designation of the Plan Area had been submitted to Somerset Council and a consultant was currently being identified. There were currently no grants available to help towards the costs but Council noted that it had allocated £10,000 towards the development of the Plan.

42. LOCAL PLAN PART 2 (LPP2)

Council noted that there was no update available.

43. JUDICIAL REVIEW

Council noted that there was no update available.

44. STREET FURNITURE

Cllr Bishop agreed to pursue this project including the provision of Village Gates.

45. BENCH REQUEST

Council considered the request for a bench in the village to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III. Following discussion it was agreed to contact the resident to establish what appetite there was for the provision of such a bench in the village and to suggest a possible site.

46. COMMUNITY FUND

It was noted that a sum of £5,000 had been allocated to the Community Fund for the 2023/24 financial year. Cllr Hollyoake agreed to come back to Council with a revised application form.

47. FINANCIAL MATTERS

Council **RESOLVED** to approve the payments outlined below:

Supplier	Service	Net	VAT	Total
Beckington Memorial Hall	Room Hire	£84.00	£0.00	£84.00
Harris & Harris Solicitors	Disbursements	£63.33	£12.67	£76.00
Harris & Harris Solicitors	Allotment Registration	£300.00	£60.00	£360.00
JM Fencing & Landscaping	Grass cutting	£150.00	£30.00	£180.00
P A Russell	Locum Services	£750.00	£0.00	£750.00
P A Russell	Insurance	£547.96	£0.00	£547.96
CouncilHR & Governance	Internal Audit	£150.00	£0.00	£150.00
Shannon Brooke	Locum Services	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00
TOTAL		£2,145.29	£102.67	£2,247.96

48. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

Council **RESOLVED** to note the internal audit report. It was agreed to review the full report at the next meeting in July 2023.

49. GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Council **RESOLVED** to formally adopt and approve the Governance Statement.

50. ACCOUNTS STATEMENT

Council **RESOLVED** to formally adopt and approve the Accounts Statement.

51. NEXT MEETING

Council noted that the next meeting of Beckington Parish Council would be held on 11th July 2023.

CHAIR:

DATE: