

Minutes of the Meeting of the Beeston with Bittering Parish Council held on **Tuesday 3rd August 2021** at Beeston Village Hall at 7.35 pm.

Present

Councillor T Townshend (Chair)
Councillor A Mullenger
Councillor R. Scott
Councillor M Greene

County/District Cllr M Kiddle-Morris was present. The clerk was in attendance.

Public Speaking Time

No members of the public were present.

Min 051/21 **Apologies for Absence.** Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Wiseman (maternity duties).

Min 052/21 **Declarations of Interest.** There were no declarations of interest made.

Min 053/21 **Minutes of the Meeting Held on 10 June 2021.** The minutes were taken as read and it was **AGREED that the minutes were a correct record of the meeting.** The minutes were signed by the chairman.

Min 054/21 **County/District Councillor Report.** Cllr Kiddle Morris advised that a remedial verge cut would start from Monday 10th August and a further cut will be undertaken later in the year. Road dressing had been done without potholes being filled. County Council is unhappy with both contractors. NCC has a scheme to plant 1 million trees over the next 5 years and details can be found on the website. Changes to the political make-up of the council are expected to lead to trouble with the proposed western link. Breckland has a new Green Grants scheme to encourage schemes relating to environmental issues. The latest government proposals in the Planning for the Future paper are likely to lead to a need for a partial review of the current local plan

Min 055/21 **Co-option to the Council.** It has been confirmed by Breckland that there has been no request from residents for an election to fill vacancies and the council is therefore authorised to co-opt to fill the vacancies. The correspondence was **NOTED**

Min 056/21 **Millenium Lakes.** It was confirmed that no further works had been undertaken by the Herne Lane developer to complete the footpath on the site. It was **AGREED to write to the developer to advise that if the works were not undertaken within 28 days, as this is a break of condition placed on planning permission for the development, it would be passed to Breckland for enforcement.** The council confirmed that no works could be undertaken on the site until the footpath had been completed.

Min 057/21 **Permanent Traffic Signage.** Quotations had been received from Westcotec for permanent signage on Dereham Rd either near the entrance to the 30mph limit from the south or nearer to the school. It was **AGREED to write to the school to seek views as to whether speeding was an issue in the vicinity of the school**

Min 058/21 **Noticeboard on the Village Green.** Quotations had been received for options for a replacement noticeboard. These were considered and it was **AGREED to investigate the option for a 12 x A4 board which would provide space for local organisations to post notices.** The clerk agreed to make a grant application to Breckland for part funding of the new board

Min 059/21 **Queen's 70th Anniversary Celebrations.** The clerk advised that the first weekend of June would be the dates for the celebration nationally and he also advised that the Big Jubilee Lunch is to be held on Sunday 6th June 2022. It was **AGREED to contact the Village Hall and the Ploughshare to establish whether any plans were formulating for a celebration**

- Min 060/21 **NCC Parish Partnership Fund.** It was **AGREED** that a bid to this scheme would be made if it was subsequently agreed to go ahead with a permanent traffic sign on Dereham Rd
- Min 061/21 **Breckland Green Grants Scheme.** The scheme was **NOTED** at this time
- Min 062/21 **Planning Applications.** The following responses were **AGREED**
 3PL/2021/0889/F Water Farm, Water End Land - to request that a condition be placed on any permission that the development should remain ancillary to the main property
 3PL/2021/1007/F New Farm, Fransham Rd - object on the grounds that the development is too large for a rural worker's dwelling and question whether the tests specified in HOU13 are met by this proposal
 3PL/2021/1001/F Water Farm, Water End Lane - cannot support this application as the road is not suitable for the level of traffic likely to be generated by this commercial enterprise. The council could support the application if it was for private use only
- Min 063/21 **Planning Decisions.** The following decisions were **NOTED.**
 3PL/2021/0645/HOU Meadow View, Church Lane - approved
 3PL/2021/0768/HOU Valentine Barn, Dereham Rd - approved
 3PL/2021/0651/HOU New Farm, Fransham Rd - approved
- Min 064/21 **Relocation of Facilities at Bittering Quarry.** The council **CONFIRMED** that it had no comments to make at this time
- Min 065/21 **Planning Appeals.** The following appeal was **NOTED** and **AGREED** that no further comments were needed.
 APP/F2605/W/20/3263062 Land at Syers Lane
- Min 066/21 **Highways.** The clerk updated on all outstanding reports that he had made since February. Outstanding reports will be passed to the NCC Rangers for their attention when the next visit is made in the second half of August
- Min 067/21 **New Highways Reports.** Pothole at junction of Mileham Rd and Litcham Rd.

At this point, Cllr Mullenger left the meeting

- Min 068/21 **Balances and Cheques for Authorisation.** The financial statement at the end of June and budget summary were reviewed. Cheques for payment were **AUTHORISED** by Cllrs Townshend and Greene

Balances :-

Bank of Ireland Treasurers' Account

Balance at 31 04 21	14000.51
Income	<u>NIL</u>
	14000.51
Less Cheques authorised	<u>1448.31</u>
Balance at 30 06 21	12552.20
Outstanding Cheques	<u>NIL</u>
Cash Book Balance at 30 06 21	12552.20

Cheques for authorisation: Total value = £ 626.78

Amount available for Section 137 : 485 x £8.41 = £ 4078.85
 Spend to Date = £ 0.00

630	CGM Group	Grounds maintenance 06-07/21	85.48
631	Peter Cross	Installation of dog waste bin on Church Rd	100.00
632	C Brindley	Clerk's Salary 06-07/21	353.10
633	HM Revenue and Customs	Income Tax 06-07/21	88.20

Min 069/21 **Matters for the Next Meeting.** Remembrance Sunday arrangements.
Min 070/21 **Date of the Next Meeting.** It was agreed as Tuesday 28 September 2021 at Beeston Village Hall starting at 7.30pm dependent on guidance at the time with regards COVID 19.

The meeting closed at 9.35 p.m.