

BENTLEY PAUNCEFOOT PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Extra Ordinary Meeting of Bentley Paucefoot Parish Council
Held on Friday 21st May 2021 at 10.30am at Bradley Cottage, Banks
Green, Upper Bentley**

Present : Cllr R Bewsher – Chair
Cllr B Spence – Vice Chair
Cllr A Boss
Cllr P Meads
A Dyson - Clerk

1	Apologies & Approval of Absence
	Cllr R Cheape Cllr N Rands
2	Approval of Bentley Paucefoot PCs Annual Governance Statement 2021
	The Clerk had sent a copy of the External Auditors report and the AGAR to the Chair and Vice Chair for their information. Vice Chair Spence advised other members that the Auditor is happy that the PC are acting within the law with regard to compliance and monies. However, the Auditor had noted a small (10p) discrepancy on the ledgers which led her to believe that bank reconciliations were not checked by anyone other than the Clerk. Going forward Vice Chair Spence and the Clerk will reconcile the monies together at the July, November and March meetings. The Clerk input the figures on the AGAR statement and Chair Bewsher signed the document.
3	AOB
	The PC had received a request from a resident asking for a donation to a charitable expedition that they had been selected to attend. Vice Chair Spence said all monies the PC have are raised indirectly via resident’s council tax payments and therefore it should not be the PCs decision to make any donations with that money. All Councillors agreed. Vice Chair Spence will put together a letter for the Clerk to send to the resident. This wording will be used for any other requests received in the future. Chair Bewsher has received an email from a resident with regarding to them becoming a Councillor (currently there is 1 vacancy). It was agreed that the resident be invited to the next meeting. The Clerk will send a copy of the letter to the resident outlining what is expected of PC Councillors prior to that meeting. The PC has received a copy of the Local Policing Community Charter – this item to be carried forward to July 2021 meeting. Foxlydiate Update – Chair Bewsher has sent a letter to BDC legal department following their response to our Legal letter – awaiting a reply. Karen Hatchett of Highways has agreed to a meeting with Chair Bewsher and Vice Chair Spence to discuss Highway’s inconsistencies within different planning applications.

Meeting Closed at 11.09

Signed: **Chairperson**

Date: