

Minutes of Meeting of Beoley Parish Council
held on Tuesday 12th July 2016

At 7.30 pm in Beoley Village Hall

Attendees:

Cllr Bland (Chairman)
Cllr Luck (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Brown
Cllr Barry
Cllr Hall
Cllr Joynes
Cllr Merrell
Cllr Morgan
Kelly Dawe (Parish Clerk)

1. **Apologies**
None given.
2. **Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interests**
None given.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting**
No errors noted.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
Approval of the minutes for the meeting held on 14th June proposed Cllr Luck and seconded Cllr Brown.
5. **County Councillor Report/District Councillor Report**
None given.
6. **Path Warden's report**
None given. Cllr Hall reported on some new issues – a footpath near Bransons Cross where the stile is broken (of which the Path Warden is aware) and a footpath deliberately blocked at Walker Transport. **Action:** Parish Clerk to contact the path warden to investigate and action.
7. **Lengthsman's report**
Confirmed that the drains had been jettied at Bleachfield Lane, Chapel Lane and Church Hill today.
8. **Matters Arising**
Parking: Cllr Joynes reported that the inappropriately parked car has rarely been in the lay-by outside of his house. Cllr Luck noted

that no quotation for works had been received as yet from Richard Clewer. **Action:** Cllr Bland to chase Richard Clewer

Parking Moss Lane: Action carried forward: Cllr Luck to contact the police.

Speed limit: Action: Still no response from Highways; Chairman to follow up.

Bleachfield Lane: Damage to the grass triangle following the Severn Trent works has now been repaired.

Post office path: Lengthsman is waiting for supplies to repair the fence. **Action:** carried forward.

Church Hill: All confirmed that this has been cleared with weedkiller, which will then be rotavated.

Carpenters Hill: The ditches causing the flooding appear to have been cleared.

Parish newsletter: Action: Clerk to forward all members contact details to Rev Irving for inclusion.

Appointing a new Internal Auditor: Action: The Chairman to discuss further with Peter Joynes who conducted this years' internal audit and establish if he is happy to continue to do.

Emergency Plan: The Parish Clerk reported to the meeting that the Bromsgrove DC plan has been created in conjunction with Wyre Forest DC and is available online. **Action:** Parish Clerk to circulate the link.

Website: The Parish Clerk reported that the set up cost will be below £1,000. All agreed that the Parish Clerk should circulate a flyer through the village to canvas parishioners on what they would like the website to do. **Action:** Parish Clerk to submit an application to the Transparency Fund for funding, proposed by Cllr Barry and seconded by Cllr Brown. **Action:** Parish Clerk to also update job description for her role, to now include website administration.

Moss Lane: Flytipping is continuing and is now also in Carpenters Hill and Icknield Street – anecdotal reports are suggesting the Icknield suspect is CRM Recycling. Cllrs Barry and Brown reported that the District Council action team for responding to reports of flytipping are very efficient and prompt. **Action:** Chairman to investigate the Icknield Street issue.

Moss Lane grass mowing: Confirmed that this is now included in Rudge Landscapes remit.

Finances: Following discussion regarding the payment of an invoice for Beoley First School, it was agreed to double check the email that sent by the Chairman in March 2016 regarding financial spend and to see check what was agreed and allocated for Beoley First School. **Action:** Chairman to investigate the March 2016 ringfenced spend issue and circulate a summary to the parish council during the Summer break.

Some debate was had regarding the importance of discussion and allocation of financial spend at parish council meetings, prior to being committed to benefiting parties. **Action:** Parish Clerk to produce a mid-year budget summary to the Parish Council at the September meeting to prompt discussion of which projects to support for the remainder of the financial year.

Hillside: The Chairman noted that the appeal deadline ends tomorrow (13th July 2016).

Oaklands: The Chairman reported that the appeal has been delayed by 24 hours as the Bromsgrove DC barrister was unable to attend. Some discussion had over continued development and traffic issues on Seafeld Lane. The Chairman, Vice Chair and Cllr Brown will attend the appeal, sitting for the remainder of this week.

9. **Correspondence and consultations**

A report was given following the planning meeting held in June with Cllr Luck/Cllr Joynes and Cllr Brown and Dale Birch and members of the planning team at Bromsgrove DC. Some frustration was expressed at the lack of enforcement and the ability of planning avoiders to apply for a certificate of lawfulness after four years.

10. **New Matters**

Hedge trimming at the top of Beoley towards Bransons Cross was noted as an issue. Unclear whose responsibility it is to cut.

Cllr Morgan had been approached regarding pot holes in Wapping Lane – these have already been repaired.

Noted that the Parish Clerk will be moving away in around 6 months time and a replacement would need to be found.

Action: Parish Clerk noted to enter vacancy on CALC update, parish notice board and church newsletter, and the Chairman to approach a potential candidate he has in mind.

11. Finance

Bank balance: £10,369.97

£200.00	N Power	Street Lighting
£650.00	Rudge Landscapes	Grass cutting
£156.19	Alan Brown	Lengthsman duties
£256.60	Kelly Dawe	Parish Clerk duties

Discussion regarding the latest invoice from Rudge Landscapes as there is an additional cost for £165 – this money had been ring fenced in March finances – however following discussion it was established that this was likely to be additional work on top. Parish Clerk to check the March invoices on what has been paid and report back.

Action: Parish Clerk to investigate the Rudge invoice.

12. Planning

Three Oaks – now granted.

Dairy Cottage – part of Beoley Court, erection of conservatory in back of cottage. As this is outside of the conservation area all agreed that Beoley Parish Council would have no objection.

Greenhills Farm – Wapping Lane, Listed Building Consent (LBC) application for alterations to banister inside for health and safety.

Brailes Cottage – LBC for replacement windows are removal of porch. No objection.

Otters Holt – Cllr Barry noted the land to the side has been bought by developers with plans to build three homes – noted permission granted when sold was for one property.

13. Items of Parochial Interest

Conservation area update and local listing – a consultation period has been announced by Bromsgrove DC with two open meetings to be held in the village hall during July.

Action: Parish Clerk to discuss with Conservation Officer during a visit tomorrow regarding publicising the consultation.

14. **Date of next meeting – 13th September 2016**

Signed _____ **(Chairman)**

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