Minutes of Meeting of Beoley Parish Council held on Tuesday 14th June 2016

At 7.30 pm in Beoley Village Hall

Attendees:

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

1. Apologies

Cllr Bland (Chairman)

2. Declaration of Personal/Prejudicial Interests None given.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

Re: item 4 – parking. The Vice Chair reported that the matter outside the Davies property on Beoley Lane is getting out of hand, with the home owners feeling increasingly upset. A conversation has been had with Richard Clewer (Highways Engineer, Bromsgrove District Council) to get a price for works to the lay-by – at the time of this meeting there had not been a reply. Cllr Joynes then reported an incident that had occurred the previous week, where the car concerned had parked on the pavement, blocking it. Cllr Joynes approached the landlady of the property concerned, to plead again for her assistance in resolving the parking issue.

Parking (2): As yet, no response from Richard Clewer. At this stage, the parish council agreed unanimously that at this stage, perhaps the matter should be referred to the police as the parking is dangerous. **Action:** Cllr Luck to report to the police.

Speeding: as yet, still no response to the Chairmans letter, from Kevin Dicks, Bromsgrove District Council Leader.

Grass triangle, Bleachfield Lane: An inspector on behalf of Severn Trent felt that any damage was minimal and they are not prepared to repair. Footpath alongside old Post Office: there have been reports that dirt bikes had been up into the field. **Action:** Lengthsman to repair the fence.

Brush Cutter: there are some concerns over using weed killer although Gardiner's have a licence to use it. All agreed. **Action:** Parish Clerk to write and ask for a quote for work on the Church Hill (taking care around the Cherry Tree) and to contact the Lengthsman for further details.

Carpenters Hill flooding: Cllr Merrell reported that one of the ditches has been cleared.

Action carried forward: Parish Clerk to write to Rev Irving regarding the Church newsletter.

Parish Clerk gave thanks to Cllr Morgan for his help with completing the Annual Return.

Action: The Parish Council to locate another internal auditor for 2016/17.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

All agreed the May 2016 minutes should be approved.

5. **County Councillor Report/District Councillor Report** None given.

6. **Path Warden's report**

None given.

7. Lengthsman's report

Drains on bottom of Church Hill – county will come to jet them.

Cllr Barry thanked the Chairman in his absence for fitting Jim Yuill's plaque to the bench at the bottom of Moss Lane Close.

8. Matters Arising

There have been additional report of parking issues from Portway – cars are parked along this stretch of road which is now blocking a parishioners driveway as well as parking on the bridge and obstructing the pathway. Again, the parish council agreed this is a safety issue and should be reported to the police.

Action: Vice Chair to contact PC Simon Allbutt.

9. Correspondence and consultations

Noted an invitation to the Annual Community Emergency Parish forum in October.

Action: The Parish Clerk to write to Claire Felton and ask for a copy of BDC emergency plan.

The next CALC Parish Matters Meeting will be held on 14th September 2016, which the Parish Clerk will attend.

The Vice Chair reported that she had noticed an application in the local newspaper for a gentleman in Studley for HGV storage licence at The Chestnuts at Bransons Cross Farm, and had sent a suitable response objecting.

10. New Matters

The Village Hall Management Committee now requires a representative from the parish council to sit on the committee. Cllr Morgan had agreed to join the committee to represent the parish council. Proposed by the Vice Chair, seconded by Cllr Brown.

Permission has been sought for St Leonard's Church to use the parish field for a car park for the church fete – in the Chairman's absence, the Vice Chair agreed.

Website proposal: £1k max agreed in principle by all councillors present, with the proviso of a grant from the Transparency Fund. The Parish Clerk to bring a proposal for next steps to the next meeting. Cllr Joynes volunteered to assist, having recently undertaken a similar project.

Fly-tipping Moss Lane: Cllr Barry reported that fly-tipping has gotten even worse – regularly reported to Bromsgrove DC with three clean-up trips sent out last week, now including tonne-size bags of building materials. **Action:** Parish Clerk to write to Bromsgrove District Council to formally advise of the ongoing issue; Cllr Barry to pass on contact details and any information. Copy to CPRE (check with Richard Levett who to respond to). Potentially approach Richard Clewer for a gate to the entryway to Moss Lane, which would still allow the horses through.

Mowing: Cllr Barry reported that the grass at the bottom of Moss Lane Close (on each side) doesn't get mowed – possibly add to Rudge Landscapes schedule. **Action:** Cllr Joynes to determine who owns and liaise with Parish Clerk to add to the schedule.

11. Finance

Bank balance, including cheques below: £8,889.59

Concern expressed as members not aware of MSF bill (play equipment for Beoley School) and agreed it be left until the next meeting for clarification from the Chairman.

£35.00	Trevor Bland	Plaque
£452.26	Zurich	Public Liability Insurance
£485.00	Rudge Landscapes	Grass cutting
£158.09	Alan Brown	Lengthsman duties
£253.06	Kelly Dawe	Parish Clerk duties

12. Planning

Rose Cottage Farm: refused

Beoley Manor Gates: pending

Three Oaks: resubmitted, refused. Cllr Griffiths has called in the application. The Vice Chair suggested that a site visit should be requested. Cllr Brown has offered his support at a planning meeting.

Hillside: Cllr Joynes reported that there has been some activity at Hillside – windows in the derelict house have been opened, furniture appeared outside and some repairs have been made to the external buildings. The Vice Chair asked if is still an enforcement notice on the stables? **Action:** to be brought to the planning meeting Wednesday 15th June. Cllr Barry noted that the appeal period expires on 13th July 2016.

Moss Lane Close: noted that the application has been withdrawn.

13. Items of Parochial Interest

19th June Beoley Market and Handmade Fair 22nd June Jazz Night 2nd July St Leonards Church Fete

14. Date of next meeting – 12th July 2016

Signed (Chairman)

Dated:....