

Minutes of the Meeting of Beech Parish Council held in the Village Hall on Monday 9th April 2018

PRESENT: Councillor David Woodrofe (Chairman)
Councillor David Fazakerley
Councillor Ian Hardy
Councillor Ruth Duffin
Councillor Kevin Lamb
Mrs Louisa Thomson – Clerk to the Council

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – NON AGENDA ITEMS

Chairman David Woodrofe informed Council that he had received a letter of resignation, with immediate effect, from Councillor Colin Childes. Clerk will inform East Hampshire District Council and post the relevant vacancy notices.

Kevin Lamb advised Council he was speaking as a member of the public, on behalf of his wife and himself, and not as a Councillor and accordingly sat in the public area. He informed council that he and his wife had applied for a LAA for their property at Snode Hill. Medstead Road traffic would not be affected in the central part of the village, including construction related traffic, there would be no countryside encroachment or impairment of scenic views. The long term development would be for a bungalow and additional small units.

Members of the Speedwatch team attended and expressed their concern that no progress had been made regarding further traffic calming measures. Council informed them that Hampshire County Council had provided several possible proposals which were on the agenda for discussion.

18.42 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – There were no apologies for absence.

18.43 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 19th March 2018, copies of which had previously been circulated, **Proposed as a true record by David Fazakerley, Seconded Ian Hardy and signed by Chairman David Woodrofe.**

18.44 DECLARATION OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest.

18.45 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

I) Community Funded Initiative

Having reviewed the proposals from Hampshire County Council Highways Council have asked the Clerk to ask for clarification on several points, this item to be included on the May agenda if the information has been provided.

II) Purchase of additional speed signs

This item to be postponed until a decision is made about the Community Funded Initiative.

18.46 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- a) Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded David Fazakerley and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party do not comment on planning applications.
- b) Landscape Character Assessment carried out by Terra Firma – Working Party to feed back that further comment needed on areas formerly known as H10 and to take the report to public meeting for residents comments.
- c) Neighbourhood Plan draft document – a separate Council meeting to be held on Monday 30th April to review the document.
- d) Date for village event to be set after review of draft document.
- e) Proposed David Fazakerley, Seconded Ruth Duffin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that in principle Council will write to Medstead PC and Alton Town Council requesting support for a coalescence policy.

18.47 GDPR

- a) Clerk to contact Hampshire Association of Local Councils to see if they have a standard policy.
- b) David Woodroffe to set up separate email address for all Councillors.

18.48 HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL EVENT – David Woodroffe to attend.

18.49 EAST HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT (2018) - Council had no comment to make.

18.50 SPEED LIMIT REMINDER SIGN (SLR)
Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Ian Hardy and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that OCS Group UK Limited continue to deploy the SLR for a further twelve months from May 2018 at the rate of £62.45 per deployment.

18.51 DEFIBRILLATOR

- a) Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Kevin Lamb and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that payment of £600 is made to the British Heart Foundation for supply of an iPad SP1 defibrillator and Call Push Rescue training kit.
- b) Clerk to contact Beech Village Hall committee to ask if they would be willing to provide the cabinet for the defibrillator and the electrical supply.

18.52 CLERKS ANNUAL APPRAISAL - Councillor's Ian Hardy and Ruth Duffin to carry out Clerk's appraisal.

18.53 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Council considered one application their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council:

Proposed David Fazakerley, Seconded Kevin Lamb and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

40123/005 Van Loen, 35 Kings Hill **NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE**

New garage, widening of existing driveway after demolition of existing.

Council have no objection in principle but are concerned about the impact to the root protection area of the trees.

18.54 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2017-18

I) Summary of Receipts & Payments for 4th Quarter ending 31st March 2018 presented to Council detailing bank reconciliation as follows:

Current Account Balance	634.22
Less: Cheques drawn but not debited as at 31.03.18	-
Deposit Account Balance	4,566.59
High Interest Bonds Balance	<u>32,649.64</u>
	37,549.22

Reconciliation checked and agreed by Councillor Ruth Duffin.

II) **Proposed David Fazakerley, Seconded Kevin Lamb and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED the following payments are approved:**

a) Salary, Allowance and Administration Expenditure (April 18)	£702.52
b) Hampshire County Council Pension Contribution (April 18)	£145.80
c) HM Revenue & Customs – PAYE (April - June 18)	Not Due
d) DCK Accounting Solutions Ltd – Monthly and Year End Payroll processing	£60.00
e) British Heart Foundation – defibrillator	£600.00
f) Beech Village Hall – Parish Council Meeting	£49.14
g) A Ransley – Neighbourhood Plan expenses	£41.12
h) Hampshire Association of Local Councils – HR, HALC and NALC annual fees	£430.00
i) The Hampshire Playing Fields Association – Annual Subscription	£40.00

18.55 MEETING DATES – Confirmed the date of the next Council meeting as Monday, 30th April 2018 at 7.30pm, public question time at 7.15pm.

CLOSURE OF MEETING - Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.

signed:

Chairman Beech Parish Council
date: 30th April 2018