

**Minutes of the Meeting of Beech Parish Council
held in the Village Hall on Monday 4th March 2019**

PRESENT: Councillor David Woodroffe (Chairman)
Councillor Ruth Duffin
Councillor Graham Webb
Councillor Daniel Gordon
Mrs Louisa Thomson – Clerk to the Council

Neighbourhood Plan Working Party members

Part I

- 19.21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Apologies were received and accepted from Ian Hardy and David Fazakerley.
- 19.22 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED**
The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 28th January 2019, copies previously circulated. **Proposed as a true record by Ruth Duffin, Seconded by Graham Webb and signed by Chairman David Woodroffe.**
- 19.23 DECLARATION OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest.
- 19.24 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
A member of the public queried with the Council the conflict between the Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire responses and the draft Neighbourhood Plan in terms of the provision of the types of new housing, ie. affordable homes, starter homes and small homes for downsizing, as well as raising the community's desire for a pub and shop.
- Tony Ransley from the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party informed Council that the attendance at the draft Neighbourhood Plan public event was disappointing and the return of completed response forms was slow.
- 19.25 NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN
Clerk to post a reminder on Nextdoor Beech with the closing date of the Regulation 14 Public Consultation.
- 19.26 GRANT REQUEST
Proposed Graham Webb, Seconded Daniel Gordon and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to grant the request from Citizens Advice East Hampshire for £250.
- 19.27 EAST HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN
Graham Webb reported on the EHDC draft Local Plan.
(Ruth Duffin left the meeting during the discussion regarding the proposed policy change to the settlement boundary) **Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Graham Webb and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the comments to EHDC include a request not to change the settlement boundary in the area at 20 Medstead Road.
(Ruth Duffin rejoined the meeting.)
Following a review of the draft plan, **Proposed Graham Webb, Seconded Daniel Gordon and RESOLVED by majority** (Ruth Duffin abstained) to forward comments to EHDC as detailed in Appendix A.
- 19.28 DEFIBRILLATOR TRAINING
Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Graham Webb and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that St John's Ambulance should provide a training session costing £100 plus VAT for a two hour session for up to 50 people.
Clerk to contact village hall and St John's Ambulance to check availability for session in June.
- 19.29 GDPR
This item to be carried forward to the next meeting.
- 19.30 TRAFFIC CALMING
Proposed Graham Webb, Seconded Daniel Gordon and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the expenditure of £450 for Hampshire Highways to provide traffic lights during the installation of the traffic calming measures.

19.31 ACCOUNTS 2018/2019

Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Ruth Duffin and Unanimously Resolved to approve the following payments:

a)	Clerk's Salary (February 2019)	£683.15
b)	Clerk's Expenses (February 2019)	£128.27
c)	Hampshire County Council (Clerk's pension – February 2019)	£145.80
d)	OCS Group UK Ltd – SLR deployment	£149.88
e)	P. J. Grace – Medstead Road footpath clearance	£564.00
f)	Beech Village Hall – Neighbourhood Plan Public Consultation	£114.66
g)	Treloar Trust (IKC) – Neighbourhood Plan Public Consultation printing	£59.00
h)	Digitus Printing Limited – Draft Neighbourhood Plan printing	£55.00
i)	Mr A Ransley – Neighbourhood Plan expenses	£40.26
j)	Mr G Webb – Expenses	£72.40
k)	DCK Accounting Solutions Ltd – Monthly payroll processing	£30.00

19.32 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Graham Webb and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that members of the public and press are excluded from the meeting for Part II so that confidential matters can be discussed.

Part II

19.32 CLERKS SALARY

Proposed Graham Webb, Seconded Ruth Duffin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Clerk's salary is increased as follows:

- i) Hourly rate increase of £0.216 back dated to 1st April 2018.
- ii) Further hourly rate increase of £0.33 from 1st April 2019.

Part III (Held in public)

19.33 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Ruth Duffin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED not to provide refreshments at the Annual Parish Meeting.

19.34 Confirmed the date of the next Council meeting as Monday 25th March 2019 following the Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm, time will be made available for Public Question Time.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.30 pm.

Signed:
 Chairman Beech Parish Council
 date: 25th March 2019