

Minutes of the Meeting of Beech Parish Council

Monday 16th November 2020

(Due to Coronavirus and Government social distancing advice this meeting was virtual)

PARTICIPANTS : Councillor Graham Webb (Chairman)
Councillor Ruth Duffin
Councillor Alana Coombes
Councillor Tony Ransley
Councillor Daniel Gordon
Councillor Ingrid McCormack
Mrs Louisa Thomson – Clerk to the Council

Part I

20.142 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - **RESOLVED**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 26th October 2020, copies previously circulated,
Proposed as a true record by Alana Coombes, Seconded by Ingrid McCormack and RESOLVED

20.143 ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

The Road Safety Working Group haven't finalised their report, this will be dealt with at a future meeting.

20144 SPEED LIMIT REMINDER SIGN

Road Safety Working Group to provide a revised deployment schedule to co-ordinate with the new road safety posters.

20.145 PLANNING

Council considered one planning item, their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council and the Planning Inspectorate comments to include reference to the draft Beech Neighbourhood Plan where applicable.

21757/005 Briar Nook, 39 Medstead Road
Replacement garage.

NO OBJECTION

Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Daniel Gordon and RESOLVED *Beech Parish Council has No Objection to the application.*

20.146 PLANNING – 41 MEDSTEAD ROAD

Councillor Graham Webb reported on a conference call held with East Hampshire District Council Planning Officer and District Councillor Tony Costigan. Beech Parish Council felt the planning decisions at 41 Medstead Road were inconsistent and not in line with the Beech Neighbourhood Plan. East Hampshire District Council offered to bring planning officers to visit to walk through the Neighbourhood Plan and discuss how it might be applied.

20.147 GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

Clerk to investigate what is involved and how Council would need to plan towards a By-election and report at a future meeting when Council will make a decision.

20.148 ANNUAL BUDGET 2021/2022

Councillor Graham Webb presented budget worksheet for 2021/2022. **Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Ruth Duffin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that bearing in mind the difficult year everyone is experiencing the Precept for 2021 shouldn't be increased and will remain the same as 2020 at £15,410.

20.149 ACCOUNTS 2020/2021

Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Tony Ransley and RESOLVED that the following payments are approved:

a)	Clerk's Salary (November 2020)	£734.20
b)	Clerk's Expenses (November 2020)	£ 59.60
c)	Hampshire Pension Fund (Clerk's Pension – November 2020)	£185.70
d)	DCK Accounting Solutions – Payroll processing	£ 60.70
e)	PHS Group – Speed Limit Reminder sign move – September	£ 78.00
Payment for December		
f)	Clerk's Salary (December 2020)	£ 734.20
g)	Hampshire Pension Fund (Clerk's Pension – December 2020)	£185.70
h)	HM Revenue & Customs	£ 39.71

20.150 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS – no members of the public or press were present.

Councillor Ingrid McCormack declared an interest in the next item and left the meeting.

20.151 S.106 APPLICATION FUNDS APPLICATION RECEIVED BY EAST HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Tony Ransley and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to confirm to East Hampshire District Council that Beech Parish Council supports the application for S.106 funding but Beech Parish Council has not yet approved putting money towards the project and believes the applicant may have alternative means of raising the funds.

Councillor Ingrid McCormack rejoined the meeting.

20.152 MEETING DATES

Confirmed the date of the next scheduled Council meeting as Monday, 18th January 2021 at 7.30pm, with public question time at 7.15pm. This will be a virtual meeting in line with Government advice.

CLOSURE OF MEETING – Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9pm.

signed:
Chairman Beech Parish Council
date: 14th December 2020