

## Minutes of the Meeting of Beech Parish Council

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**(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

Members of the Road Safety Working Group

Members of the Village Hall Committee

### 21.011 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - **RESOLVED**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021, copies previously circulated,  
**Proposed as a true record by Tony Ransley, Seconded by Ruth Duffin and RESOLVED**

### 21.012 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Ruth Duffin declared an interest in item 10. iii) planning application at Wyards Farm, Basingstoke Road, Alton.

### 21.013 ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

**Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Ruth Duffin, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders so members of the Road Safety Working Group can speak.**

The Road Safety Working Group Chairman, Sir Charles Cockburn, reported to the council on the updated report which will be submitted to Hampshire Highways. He also confirmed that Ian Janes from Hampshire Highways would act as sponsor and put the proposals before the Safety Audit team and this will not, certainly initially, incur any costs. A copy of the report/submission document is attached to the minutes, Appendix A, and can also be found on the Parish Council website.

**Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.**

- a) **Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Ruth Duffin, RESOLVED** (Councillor Tony Ransley voted against) that the Parish Council accepts the latest draft of the report and authorises its release to Ian Janes and works with him to submit the report for a Safety Audit.

**Proposed Ingrid McCormack, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders so members of the Road Safety working Group can speak.**

Council and members of the Road Safety Working Group discussed the possible purchase and use of an Automatic Number Plate Recognition speed camera which the working group had looked into as part of their report.

**Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.**

- b) **Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that Councillors and the Road Safety Working Group members should find more information about how this might work, whether it is enforceable by the Police and what the costs would be and report back at the next meeting.

### 21.014 GRANT APPLICATION

**Proposed Alana Coombes, Seconded Ingrid McCormack, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to grant the application from Citizen Advice East Hampshire for £100.

21.015 UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE (UAV)

**Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Ingrid McCormack, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to suspend Standing Orders so a member of the Village Hall Committee can speak.**

The Village Hall Committee member confirmed the Village Hall hadn't received any complaints about the use of UAV's from their land.

**Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Ruth Duffin, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.**

**Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the Clerk should ask the Hampshire Association of Local Councils if it is possible for a Parish Council to impose a by-law on land owned by other organisations.

21.016 PLANNING

Council considered three planning items, their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council and the comments shall include reference to the draft Beech Neighbourhood Plan where applicable.

- i) 36974/005 3 Cramptons, Beech  
Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order  
10 x Lime – Pollard to previous pollard points

**Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** *to defer to the East Hampshire District Council Arboricultural Officer for this application.*

- ii) 58946 194 Medstead Road  
Lawful Development Certificate for Proposed Development  
Conversion of ground floor of the detached garage into living accommodation ancillary to the main dwelling.

**Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Tony Ransley, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** *Beech Parish Council has no comment to make on this application.*

**Councillor Ruth Duffin left the meeting for the next item.**

- iii) 3184/016 Wyards Farm, Basingstoke Road, Alton  
Installation of solar panels on existing barn roofs.

**Proposed Alana Coombes, Seconded Tony Ransley, RESOLVED** *Beech Parish Council has no comment to make on this application but would suggest Historic England is consulted as the proposed solar panel installation is in the vicinity of a listed building*

**Councillor Ruth Duffin rejoined the meeting.**

21.017 MEETING DATES

Confirmed the date of the next scheduled Council meeting as Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 at 7.30pm, with public question time at 7.15pm. All meetings will be held virtually in line with Government advice.

CLOSURE OF MEETING – Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.

signed: .....

Chairman Beech Parish Council

date: 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021