

Minutes of the Meeting of Beech Parish Council

Monday 18th January 2021

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

PARTICIPANTS : Councillor Graham Webb (Chairman)

Councillor Ruth Duffin

Members of the Road Safety Working Group

Councillor Alana Coombes

Councillor Tony Ransley

Councillor Daniel Gordon

Councillor Ingrid McCormack

Mrs Louisa Thomson – Clerk to the Council

21.001 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - **RESOLVED**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 14th December 2020, copies previously circulated,

Proposed as a true record by Tony Ransley, Seconded by Ingrid McCormack and RESOLVED

21.002 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Ruth Duffin declared an interest in item 10, Footpath Cutting List.

21.003 ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

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

- a) The Road Safety Working Group Chairman, Sir Charles Cockburn, summarised their report to the Council and members of the Working Group answered Councillors question. A copy of the report is attached to the minutes, Appendix A, and can also be found on the Parish Council website.

Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Ingrid McCormack, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to reinstate Standing Orders.

Proposed Alana Coombes, Seconded Ruth Duffin, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED the Working Group shall produce a document to submit to Hampshire County Council Highways to carry out a Safety Audit and present this for approval to the Parish Council together with any costs at the next Parish Council meeting.

- b) **Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Alana Coombes, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that Councillor Tony Ransley should gather more information about the Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) speed camera and report at a future Parish Council meeting.

21.004 THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE

Clerk to report to Council regarding the benefit of the General Power of Competence and the process involved in calling a By-election.

21.005 CODE OF CONDUCT

Proposed Ruth Duffin, Seconded Ingrid McCormack, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to adopt the amended National Association of Local Councils model code of conduct.

Councillor Ruth Duffin left the meeting for the next item.

21.006 FOOTPATH CUTTING LIST

Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Tony Ransley and RESOLVED to approve the following footpath cutting list to be forwarded to Hampshire County Council if requested:

702 FP Kings Hill to Wivelrod

704 BW Wellhouse Road to Thedden

709 FP Bentworth to A339 via Thedden

713 BW Recreation Ground to Bushy Lease

714 FP Medstead Road to A339 via Wyards Farm

Councillor Ruth Duffin rejoined the meeting.

21.007 PLANNING

Councillor Graham Web reported that East Hampshire Planning Officers would Beech post COVID-19 lockdown.

21.008 BANK MANDATE

Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Ruth Duffin, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that following the completion of the Hampshire Association of Local Councils Finance training Councillors Alana Coombes and Ingrid McCormack should be added to the bank mandate as soon as reasonable following the COVID-19 lockdown.

21.009 ACCOUNTS 2020/2021

D) Summary of Receipts & Payments for 3rd Quarter Ended 31st December 2020 presented to Council detailing bank reconciliation as follows:

Current Account Balance	1,311.04
Less: Cheques drawn but not debited as at 31.12.20	-546.41
Deposit Account Balance	10,186.12
Money Market Balance	<u>24,678.21</u>
	35,628.96

II) **Proposed Daniel Gordon, Seconded Tony Ransley, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the following payments are approved:**

a) Clerk's Salary (January 2021)	£734.20
b) Clerk's Expenses (January 2021)	£ 28.93
c) Hampshire Pension Fund (Clerk's Pension – January 2021)	£185.70
d) DCK Accounting Solutions – Payroll processing	£ 30.35
e) HOST100 - web subscription	£119.94

21.010 MEETING DATES

Confirmed the date of the next scheduled Council meeting as Monday, 22nd February 2021 at 7.30pm, with public question time at 7.15pm. There may be an additional meeting called for Monday 8th February to deal with the Road Safety Working Group submission. All meetings will be virtual in line with Government advice.

CLOSURE OF MEETING – Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.25pm.

signed:

Chairman Beech Parish Council

date: 8th February 2021