

BEECH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Meeting Monday 19th December 2022

PARTICIPANTS : Councillor Graham Webb (Chairman) Louisa Thomson - Clerk
Councillor Tony Ransley
Councillor Kim Eakers
Councillor Ingrid McCormack

22.142 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Ruth Duffin and Alana Coombes.

22.143 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - **RESOLVED**

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 21st November 2022, copies previously circulated,

Proposed as a true record by Tony Ransley, Seconded Ingrid McCormack, RESOLVED: signed Chairman Graham Webb

22.144 PLANNING

Council considered two planning application, their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council.

- i) 59950 Pixham, 29 Medstead Road, Beech **NO OBJECTION**
Extension to side and detached garage with accommodation above.
Proposed Kim Eakers, Seconded Tony Ransley, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:
Beech Parish Council has no objection to this planning application provided that the following conditions are applied:
1. The new garage building must always remain ancillary to the existing main dwelling at 29 Medstead Road, and must never become a separate dwelling;
 2. The new garage building must not in the future be enlarged beyond the submitted plans, in footprint or in height, either through subsequent planning application or permitted development rights; and
 3. Any external lighting of the new garage building should comply with Policy BPC07(d) of the Beech Neighbourhood Development Plan in order to minimise light pollution.
- ii) 28390/16 116 Medstead Road, Beech
Application for consent for **Works to trees subject to a Tree Preservation Order Proposal:**
T1-Ash-Fell.
Proposed Tony Ransley, Seconded Ingrid McCormack, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:
Beech Parish Council defer to EHDC Arboricultural Officer for decision on this application.

22.145 ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP

- i) **Beech Road Safety Working Group - Report to Parish Council 19 December 2022**

On-road footways: We still await detailed proposals from Ian Janes (HCC), which he hopes to provide by the end of December.

Off-road footways: We now expect to receive HCC's Feasibility Study report in January. They may sent some draft material, including draft drawings, later this week. The delay is due to conflicting work commitments.

On 28 November we met on site with Sean Marsh, a Forestry England land surveyor, regarding the proposed woodland path on the edge of Bushy Leaze Wood opposite 180 Medstead Road, and also about the FE/HCC boundary on the verge further down Medstead Road. We will not receive considered responses from FE on these issues until the New Year.

On 5 & 6 December the temporary fence screen was erected alongside the private woodland footpath, opposite 188-194 Medstead Road, as planned earlier this year.

EHDC has announced that the 2023 Strategic CIL Funds application period will run from 6 February to 24 March. We will await the HCC Feasibility Study report before putting together any application. It's anticipated that amendments to any application will be permitted up to early May, as in 2022.

Proposed Ingrid McCormack, Seconded Tony Ransley, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: to suspend Standing Orders to enable the Working Group Chairman to address the meeting.

Drawings from Hampshire County Council are needed before funding can be applied for.

'20 is plenty' – Hampshire County Council are consulting through a task and finish group whether to introduce further 20mph sections on rural roads, they will report in January. They have asked East Hampshire District Councillor if he would support '20 is plenty', he declined.

Proposed Kim Eakers, Seconded Tony Ransley, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: to reinstate Standing Orders.

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- ii) Road Incident Reporting System – no update.

22.146 SPEED CAMERAS & SPEED INDICATOR DEVICES

- i) Tony Ransley reported on the meeting between East Hampshire District Council and East Hampshire Police.

The Police had suggested EHDC send fines to speedsters however EHDC are losing their licence to issue, this will be done by Hampshire County Council in future. EHDC may invest in an enforcement unit to issue letters to speeding traffic. The enforcement unit will meet with the District Council to put forward to the cabinet. Hampshire County Council have been asked if they would be willing to take on the issuing of letters, they may wait until the outcome of the 20mph decision.

Tony met with Damien Hinds at his surgery and will send a report to Damien who will contact the Police and Crime Commissioner to see what can be done to adopt AutoSpeedWatch.

- ii) Speed Indicator Sign / AutoSpeedWatch

The SID batteries have been received and are working. The ASW cameras are suffering from the lack of daylight, hopefully it will be possible to fit batteries which will help. Costs to be approved at the January meeting.

East Hampshire Police will arrange an ASW trial involving a village from each of their four sectors.

- iii) SID decision on what speed the sign changes from red to green to be carried to the January meeting.

22.147 BRIDLE PATHS

Forestry England have cleared a service road which could potentially be used as a bridle path. If it's adopted as an official bridle path banning motor vehicles can be enforced.

22.148 EAST HAMPSHIRE ASSOCIATION PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS

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22.149 ANNUAL CO2 SELF ASSESSMENT FOR HOME ENERGY CONSUMPTION

The CO2 self-assessment will be distributed with the Beech Newsletter in early January and is available on the Parish Council website. Residents need to complete this in January so there has been a full 12 months for comparison. A workshop will be held at Beech Village Hall on the 26th March 2023.

22.150 EAST HAMPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL PLAN CONSULTATION

Proposed Kim Eakers, Seconded Tony Ransley, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: that the comments in Appendix B are submitted to EHDC.

22.151 INTERNET BANKING

Proposed Ingrid McCormack, Seconded Kim Eakers, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: to complete the Internet Banking form with the Clerk as Primary user.

22.152 LOCAL COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION PUBLICATION

Clerk to find out if Bentworth Parish Council will share the cost.

22.153 ACCOUNTS 2022/2023

Proposed Ingrid McCormack, Seconded Kim Eakers, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

a)	Clerk's Salary (December 2022)	£1,099.86
b)	Clerk's Expenses (December 2022)	£9.02
c)	Hampshire Pension Fund (Clerk's pension December)	£344.75
d)	HM Revenue & Customs	£207.99
e)	DCK Accounting Solutions Ltd – Monthly Payroll processing	£36.36
f)	Beech Village Hall – Parish Council meeting	£23.29
g)	Elan City Ltd – Speed Indicator Device batteries and charger	£300.58
h)	Society of Local Council Clerk's membership renewal	£146.00
i)	RS Fencing & Agricultural Limited	£2,338.32
j)	Graham Webb - Expenses	£22.99

22.154 MEETING DATES

- i) Council confirmed the list of scheduled meetings for 2023 as detailed in Appendix C. Dates may be subject to change or addition meetings scheduled as necessary.
- iii) Confirmed the date of the next scheduled Council meeting as Monday, 16th January 2023 at 7pm with public question time at 6.45pm.

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CLOSURE OF MEETING – Chairman thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.57pm.

signed:
Chairman Beech Parish Council
date: 16th January 2023