

Beswick Parish Council

Meeting of the Council to be held Virtually at 7 pm on Wednesday, 5 May 2021

AGENDA

- 1 Election of Chair for 2021-22:**
- 2 Election of Vice-Chair for 2021-22:**
- 3 Apologies for Absence:**
- 4 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests:**
- 5 Annual Report 2020-21:**

To consider and approve the Newsletter 2020-21 (already distributed widely and incorporated in the Council's Website) as the Annual Report on Council activity.
- 6 Annual Return 2020-21:**
 - (a) To consider and note the Internal Auditor's report
 - (b) To consider and note the Certificate of Exemption
 - (c) To consider, approve and sign the Governance Statement
 - (d) To consider, approve and sign the Accounting Statement.
- 7 Annual Accounts 2020-21:**

To receive and note the Council's accounts for 2020-21.
- 8 Public Rights of Inspection:**

To confirm that the period for public inspection of the accounts and related records shall be from 17 June to 26 July inclusive, and agree that public notice be given to that effect.
- 9 Minutes:**

To approve as an accurate record the minutes of the meeting held on 10 March 2021 (attached).
- 10 Matters Arising from the Minutes:**
 - 13.2 Neighbourhood Watch Signs:**

Installed by Cllr Corscadden with thanks.
 - 8 Defibrillator - Wilfholme:**

Cllr Reid reported that he has yet to receive a response from the Environment Agency.
 - 10 Parish Council Meetings 2021-22:**

The Clerk to confirm Kilnwick Village Hall booking and report any issues that are of relevance, including legal status of meeting arrangements, location of meetings, etc.
 - 11 BPC's TSB Bank Account:**

Cllrs Quinn and Beddows to report their findings and, as appropriate, to resolve on actions to be pursued.
- 11 Planning Applications:**
 - 11.1 Application Ref: Planning Consultation for 21/00902/PLF 14 School Lane, Kilnwick, East Riding of Yorkshire, YO25 9JE**

The above planning application has been received - comments by 5 May 2021.
 - 11.2 Application Ref: Planning Consultation for 21/00847/CM Minelco Specialities Limited, Superfine Carbonate Works, Middleton Road, Kilnwick, East Riding of Yorkshire, YO25 9TS**

The above planning application has been received - comments by 7 May 2021.

11.3 Application Ref: Planning Consultation for 21/01140/PLF 31 Main Street, Kilnwick, East Riding of Yorkshire YO25 9JD

The above planning application has been received - comments by 13 May 2021.

11.4 Any other applications received following the publication of this document:

11.5 Construction of a barn at Lund Moor Farm and Public Right of Way Beswick Footpath No. 14:

Cllr Reid to raise a number of issues, including the prospect of proposing a realignment of Beswick FP No. 14 under the Environmental Land Management Scheme (ELMS) of the Agriculture Act 2020.

12 Finance:

13.1 Local Government Act 1894, Section 8, and Financial Support for All Saints' and St Margaret's Churches:

To assess under what conditions, if any, funds can be allocated as a prelude to agreeing a Budget for 2021-22.

13.2 Budget 2021-22:

To approve the budget presented.

13.3 Payments:

Reimburse Clerk for cost of Newsletter printing - £130.00

Reimburse Chair for cost of posting newsletters - £15.33

ERNLLCA Membership 2018/19 - £315.33

Any others received since production of Agenda.

14 Footpath Reports and Nominations for Footpath Wardens - Beswick and Kilnwick:

Accept nominations for Beswick - Victoria Fletcher and Kilnwick - Gerard Hodgson.

15 Government Questionnaire Survey on Virtual Meetings:

To review and comment on the content of the questionnaire survey (previously distributed) and to delegate one of the Councillors to respond.

16 AOB: *Items arising under AOB cannot be resolved if they involve expenditure or commit the Council to a course of action but will appear on the next Agenda.*

Date of Next Meeting:

14 July 2021

Beswick Parish Council

Meeting of the Council held Virtually at 7 pm on Wednesday, 10 March 2021

MINUTES

Welcome to Sarah Beachell, appointed as Parish Councillor on 8 February 2021.

1 Apologies for Absence:

None.

Present:

Cllrs Reid (Chair), Quinn, Beddows, Corscadden, Beachell, Ward Cllrs Beaumont and Greenwood, Julia Bugg (Clerk) and two parishioners.

2 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests:

None.

3 Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2021 were approved as an accurate record.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

13.1 Beswick Noticeboard:

Cllr Corscadden reported that he had received the new Perspex from the Clerk and would fit it just as soon as appropriate weather allowed. He would then pass the remaining sheets to Cllr Quinn for the Kilnwick notice board.

13.2 Neighbourhood Watch Signs:

Cllr Reid has yet to receive these from Ms Jackie Plowman.

8 Defibrillator - Wilfholme:

Cllr Reid reported that he has yet to receive a response from the Environment Agency. Clerk to inform the donators of the delay.

11.3 Paperwork for Clerk's Salary:

The Clerk reported that Steve Butler had once again agreed to produce the necessary paperwork but that it was not expected until early April as per previous years.

5 Review of The Clerk's Performance and Salary:

In order to agree any changes in remuneration of The Clerk, currently set at £1250/annum, the clerk left the meeting. The meeting determined in her absence that Cllrs are happy with her performance which they considered to be exemplary and as a result of the extra responsibilities undertaken during the current year it was agreed that her salary for 2021/22 be £1300. The Clerk thanked the Cllrs for their kind words.

6 Planning Applications:

To discuss all planning applications received by the BPC since the last meeting including any received since the issue of this Agenda.

None.

7 Budget 2021-22:

The Clerk presented a draft Budget for consideration to be agreed at the Annual Meeting on 5 May 2021. To include requests for financial support received from All Saints, Kilnwick and St Margaret's, Beswick. Clerk's salary to be adjusted as per item 5 on the Agenda.

8 Finance:

8.1 Finance Update:

Clerk reported that once again there had been little movement of monies but that February had seen the second loan payment.

8.2 Payments:

Confirmation and payment of required payments.

Payment to Clerk to reimburse for accounts paid: Stamps £3.60 (from January meeting) and £9.06 plus Perspex for noticeboards £31.44 = **£44.10**

Clerk's Salary - **£1250** (HMRC - £250 & JB - £1000)

Cllr Reid asked Ward Cllr Beaumont how the increase in Council Tax had been determined this year. Cllr Beaumont noted that the Council Officers had requested a 5% increase, Cllr preferred one substantially lower and that a compromise had been agreed at 3.49%. The increase is necessary due to increased costs caused by the pandemic. His view being that Central Government should fund this expenditure but that it is currently not happening.

9 Annual Meeting:

It was noted that the Meeting scheduled for 12 May 2021 has been rescheduled for **Wednesday 5 May 2021** in order to allow the meeting to take place remotely and will incorporate the AM. Nominations from amongst Councillors will be required for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair. The AM will include a Report from the Footpath Wardens. Clerk to remind the Footpath Wardens of this requirement.

10 Parish Council Meetings 2021-22:

The Council was asked to consider where it wishes to meet during 2021-22 and to instruct the Clerk to book a meeting room, bearing in mind the possible restrictions associated with COVID-19. The Council approved the following Meeting dates:

5 May 2021
14 July 2021
8 September 2021
10 November 2021
12 January 2022
9 March 2022

The Clerk to book the Kilnwick Village Hall subject to meetings returning to face-to-face and it being legal to meet, with the exception of the 5 May, which is to be held virtually.

11 BPC's TSB Bank Account:

TSB required BPC to change its banking to a business account, giving two years free banking as compensation. The period of free banking will expire on or around 29 October 2021. The meeting discussed the prospect of changing bank; Cllr Quinn reported that a previously discussed HSBC account is no longer accepting new applications. He noted that the Unity Bank which specialises in accounts for Councils has an account which charges £6 per month but allows online banking. It was agreed that Cllr Quinn would investigate further and report at the May 5 meeting as well as that the Clerk would make enquiries as to what banking arrangements other Parish Councils have.

12 Newsletter 2020-21:

Cllr Reid presented a draft version (previously circulated) and confirmed that email additions and amendments had been incorporated. Council approved and asked The Clerk to format the final version ready for printing with discretion that she and Cllr Reid may amend to fit the content appropriately on the required pages; authorised The Clerk to arrange printing; agreed that Councillors will distribute the printed version and assigned districts to Cllr Corscadden and Beachell - Beswick, Cllrs Quinn and Beddows - Kilnwick and Cllr Reid all remaining areas.

13 The 18th Century Ha-Ha along Middleton Road, Kilnwick:

It was noted that correspondence between the Chair and Dr David Ryan about controlling vegetation in the vicinity of the ha-ha (previously circulated) had been received. Discussion took place as to whether action is

required of the Parish Council. It was decided that the owner of the field be asked informally if it was possible to remove the over grown vegetation as the area is not within the remit of either the BPC or ERYC.

14 Diversion Channel on Kilnwick Beck at SE966979:

Cllr Reid reminded Cllrs of his correspondence (previously circulated) with regard to this item before going on to update the meeting. The historic background to the works being that the channel was deepened by a parishioner with the landowner's permission but without consultation or planning permission and has been reinstated more recently. Following discussion, it was decided that there was not a great deal that could be done about this now, as it appears to cause no problem.

15 Flooding at Wilfholme:

Cllr Reid updated Council about recent extensive flooding arising from overbank flow of the Beverley-Barmston Drain and Watton Beck. The IDB has undertaken a consultancy and had a report commissioned to see how the issue can be addressed but assessment that £10,000,000 is required to be spent makes it unjustifiable. Cllr Reid predicted that a major breach and extensive flooding would be likely in the future but as it locally affects so few people and dwellings, little would be done with the land eventually returning to swamp. Cllr Beddows noted that the mains transformer at Wilfholme Landing was at risk, which is currently having a £1.2 million refurbishment. The current levée breaches are not easy/possible to access with modern machinery and are too expensive to address.

16 AOB: *Items arising under AOB cannot be resolved if they involve expenditure or commit the Council to a course of action but will appear on the next Agenda.*

16.1 Cllr Corscadden reported that one of the lampposts in Beswick is on 24 hours a day. Cllr Reid asked that he report this using the ERYC website.

16.2 Ward Cllr Greenwood reported a second petrol station seeking planning permission at the Killingwold Graves roundabout, west of Beverley and garnered support to object to it.

Meeting Closed: 8.05 pm

Date of Next Meeting: 5 May 2021 - 7 pm Virtual Meeting

BESWICK PARISH COUNCIL
Monitoring Report April 2020 - March 2021

	2020-2021	2020-2021	
	Proposed	Actual	
	£	£	
Street Lighting	1610.00	1673.33	
Salix Loan Repayment	500.00	500.00	
Management of Assets			
Defibrillators	250.00	100.80	
Telephone Box Renovation – Beswick	20.00	0.00	
Telephone Box Renovation – Kilnwick	50.00	0.00	
Refurbishment of Street Lights - Kilnwick	0.00	4536.00	
Refurbishment of Notice Boards	0.00	31.44	
	320.00	4668.24	
Tuesday Club	0.00	0.00	
Grants			
Beswick Church	250.00	250.00	
Kilnwick Church	250.00	250.00	
	500.00	500.00	
Administrative Expenses			
Insurance	350.00	337.87	
Clerk's Salary	1250.00	1250.00	
Stationery and other expenses	75.00	12.66	
Parish Newsletter	130.00	0.00	
IT Maintenance	60.00	0.00	
External Audit Commission - PKF	200.00	0.00	
Website Domain Registration (3 Years)	0.00	0.00	
Transparency Code Grant – Clerk Website Maint & Training	200.00	0.00	
ERNLLCA Membership	300.00	286.38	
Data Protection Registration	0.00	0.00	
	2565.00	1886.91	
Total Expenditure	5495.00	9228.48	
INCOME			
Reserve Brought Forward	4356.15	4356.15	
VAT Reclaimed	300.00	327.13	
Precept	5412.00	5412.00	
Uncashed Cheque ERYC	0.00	4536.00	
Tour de Yorkshire – Grant from ERYC	0.00	0.00	
			Income excl RBF
Total Income	10068.15	14631.28	10275.13
YEAR END RESERVE	4573.15	5402.80	

Footpath Report - Vicky Wood - April 2021

Having followed most of the parish's footpaths and bridleways (a few became impassable when it was very muddy) I have not found any that have any physical issues, all are now passable again and all well marked and well used.

However, having made a point of stopping to chat to several landowners whilst on my rambles, I do have to report that there are several issues that they all have highlighted. These are as follows...

- Rude, disrespectful route users
- Not picking up dog mess... particularly noticeable along route 22, where it is clear there is a repeat offender not cleaning up after their dog!
- Those that are picking up dog poo and hanging the poo bags from fences and trees!
- People allowing both dogs and children to run all over and not stick the footpaths
- People taking photos of landowners' private property, buildings and equipment....is this legal on private land?
- Feeding of horses and livestock with unsuitable foodstuff which is then making the animals ill and in some cases, has caused injury, illness and even death.
- Dogs being out of control and allowed to worry livestock.

I did speak with Simon from ERYC who is in charge of the footpaths and he told me there is a new updated version of the Countryside Code which, I understand, has been redone because of the issues Covid and lock down has created. It does address some of these issues.

Kind regards
Vicky