

Beswick Parish Council

Meeting of the Council held at 7 pm on Wednesday, 8 September 2021 at Kilnwick Village Hall

MINUTES

1 Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Corscadden and Ward Councillor Greenwood.

Present:

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

2 Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests:

3 Minutes:

Approved as an accurate record the minutes of the meeting held on 14 July 2021.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes:

8 Defibrillator - Wilfholme:

Cllr Reid reported that he has made arrangements for the donor, Mrs Yvonne Sykes, and Phil Young (EA) to meet at his home for a hand-over. The EA will then organise for the installation and weekly/monthly checks and BPC will take over the responsibility for annual maintenance.

11 BPC's TSB Bank Account:

Clerk noted that she has submitted the application to Barclays shortly after the previous meeting but had yet to hear anything from them.

5 Resignation of Councillor/Valedictory:

Cllr Reid stated that Cllr Quinn has confirmed that his resignation will be effective from 9 September 2021 and postponed the valedictory until the end of the meeting.

6 Recruitment of Parish Councillor:

Following confirmation of Cllr Quinn's date of resignation, the Clerk notified Electoral Services at ERYC of this and submitted the necessary documents to invoke the process of recruiting a new Cllr. The Clerk reported that Electoral Services has confirmed that Co-option may now take place. Cllr Reid reminded the meeting that at the time of Cllr Beachell's co-option, a Kilnwick parishioner also showed interest and agreed to approach the gentleman concerned. Clerk to post vacancy notices.

7 Planning Applications:

7.1 Planning Permission Granted:

The Clerk reported that 21/01281/PLF 12 Main Street, Kilnwick, East Riding of Yorkshire, YO25 9JD has received permission.

8 Community Tree Planting Fund:

Cllr Corscadden's proposal of a scheme in the village of Beswick was deferred to the next meeting.

9 Internet Access for BPC:

Cllr Beddows presented a report detailing a number of options open to BPC in relation to this:

- A. Establish a fixed broadband connection to Village Hall Kilnwick with dedicated router for BPC use.
- B. Approach Village Hall to cooperate and share cost of fixed broadband connection to the Kilnwick Village Hall with shared router access.
- C. Purchase self contained 3G/4G mobile router and SIM card for use by BPC.
- D. Satellite dish connection and account for broadband delivery to Village Hall.
- E. A smartphone with data capable SIM, creating a hotspot within immediate Area.
- F. Do nothing.

Following discussion, it was agreed that Option C was the best and that Cllr Beddows would look into this further as well as taking the item to the Village Hall Committee to determine their interest in sharing the cost. Cllr Quinn thanked Cllr Beddows for his extensive research. Further details to be given at the November meeting.

10 Public Right of Way Issues:

Cllr Reid reported on the sleeper bridge on Watton FP 23 close to its junction with Beswick FP 7 and Beswick FPO 10 (Grid Ref: SE995498), which is in a poor state of repair but has an unofficial detour in place already. He was informed by the Access Team that there is no funding left for the replacement of the bridge but that volunteers may take over the project.

11 Finance:

11.1 Payments:

The Clerk reported that the direct debit in place for the repayment of the loan had gone out of the account and the second payment of the precept had gone in. There are no payments to be made this month.

11.2 Finance Report:

The Clerk presented an updated Monitoring Report.

12 AOB:

12.1 Public Spaces Protection Order:

ERYC has contacted the PC to afford the opportunity to update the order. Following discussion it was agreed that this was not necessary. Clerk to report this to ERYC.

12.2 Request from Middleton on the Wolds PC regarding attendance at Cluster Meeting:

The Clerk at MoTW PC is currently gauging interest from the PCs in the area in relation to a cluster meeting. Following discussion, it was agreed that this could be a good idea if there are clear objectives, a shared agenda and a good Chair. The interest in traffic should also include C roads. Clerk to respond to this effect. Cllr Reid noted that he will be unable to attend on Thursday evenings so the responsibility will need to be taken by one of the other Cllrs if the meeting is planned for this day.

12.3 Bollards:

Cllr Beddows reported that a number of Kilnwick Parishioners had approached him in relation to ERYC arriving in the village to install traffic bollards in the grass verge adjacent to 30 Main Street at the behest of a single resident. Other parishioners are very unhappy with this as they will restrict access to other properties. The Chair and Clerk noted that there had been no discussion in relation to this with ERYC. Cllr Beddows noted that following discussions the installation had not taken place but that it was assumed that the team would, at some point, return to do so. Discussion took place, concluding that traffic bollards at this point in the village would be aesthetically not pleasing, inconvenient and unnecessary. Additionally, the PC is seriously concerned that the work was to be carried out without consultation. It was agreed that the Clerk will contact the appropriate department (Highways) to request that the installation be stopped. In the mean time Cllr Beddows will watch the situation and report as necessary.

12.4 Kilnwick Defibrillator:

Cllr Quinn reported that Cllr Beddows is to take over the running of the defibrillator and will receive training on 13 September at 10.00 am. Cllr Reid noted that he too may attend this training in case Cllr Beddows is not available at any time.

12.5 Beswick Bus Stop:

It was reported that the EYMS 121 bus service drivers are refusing to stop at one the Beswick bus stops as the drivers do not recognise that it exists. The bus stop sign is located on the opposite side of the road and has historically always been a request stop. This is causing distress and inconvenience for the older members of the community. Clerk to contact EYMS to see why there has been a change and request that the buses continue to stop when requested to do so.

12.6 Beswick Hedges:

The Clerk was approached to contact the Hotham Estate to arrange for the trimming of hedges in the village prior to the upcoming Heritage Event. She reported that this had been done and the resident concerned had been written to by the Estate's Agent, though it was agreed that this will probably not result in a timely cutting of the hedge and so the footpath being made useable once again.

12.7 Valedictory:

Cllr Reid thanked Cllr Quinn for his 10 years of service, including a period as Vice Chair and for the work he has done for not only the PC but the Tuesday Club and numerous other events in the Village. His presence in the village will be very much missed and the Parish will not be the same without both Kenny and Marianne. Cllr Reid presented Cllr Quinn with a bottle of Arran Single Malt in recognition of his service and thanked him once again for his time and effort.

Meeting closed at 8.03 pm

Date of Next Meeting:

10 November 2021