

Minutes of Little Bealings Parish Council meeting held at Bealings Village Hall at 7.15pm on Monday 24 February 2020

Present: Mr I Ransome (Chairman), Mr M Garnham, Ms D Head, Mr D Hunter, Dr C Hopkins, Ms H Saagi and Mrs M Wilson

In attendance: Mrs C Ramsden, Clerk to the Council

Also present: District Councillor Colin Hedgley (for part of the meeting)

1 Apologies, Declarations of Interest and Dispensation Requests

Declarations of a personal interest in item 8 on the Agenda, Wi-fi and IT facilities at Bealings Village Hall, were made by Ms Head, and Mrs Wilson, as a Trustee and Secretary respectively of Bealings Village Hall Trust.

2 Public Participation Session

No members of the public were present.

3 Minutes of the Meetings held on 6 and 20 January and 3 February 2020

It was **RESOLVED:**

- to approve the minutes of these meetings, with amendments to two typographical errors in the minutes of the meeting held on 3 February, on page 1502.

4 Matters Arising from the Minutes

It was **RESOLVED:**

- that agendas and minutes be sent to Councillors in Word format, not pdf.

5 Planning

5.1 Kesgrave Neighbourhood Plan Consultation

The contents of the draft Plan were noted and it was **RESOLVED:**

- not to comment on the Plan.

5.2 Previous Planning Applications Update

5.2.1 AP/20/0010: Appeal of Refusal of DC/19/3562/FUL – Proposed Alterations and Side Extensions: 1 Holly Lane

This appeal by the applicants was noted.

5.2.2 SCC/0071/19SC Erection of a noise attenuation fence with associated recontouring along northern boundary bund at Kesgrave Quarry Sinks Pit
 SCC had advised that it was still working to achieve a bund and fence height arrangement that would benefit local residents as much as possible.

Mr Hunter advised that a meeting of the Liaison Committee was being arranged, to include SCC Waste, TRU and, hopefully, ESC.

5.2.3 ENF/2019/0303/USE – The Chestnuts, Martlesham Road

ESC had advised that it had served notice on the owners of the property regarding alleged use for a car business and the officer hoped to speak with them soon. District Councillor Hedgley advised that he would be raising the matter at an ESC Planning Committee meeting on 25 February.

6 Highways

6.1 Update on Ipswich Northern Route Proposal

It was noted that SCC proposed to formally resolve not to proceed with further work on the INR at a meeting on 25 February and it was **RESOLVED**:

- that, although the wording of the SCC report could have been stronger in rejecting the concept of an INR, no representations would be made on this to SCC – partly in view of the timing of the SCC meeting
- that Stop! be thanked for all its work, especially for bringing the parishes together in their opposition to an INR
- that an enews be sent to remind residents to remove Stop! posters and banners

6.2 SAVID

6.2.1 SAVID Protocol for Use of SID

It was **RESOLVED**:

- to accept the SAVID Protocol for use of the SAVID SID in the parish
- that any Councillor or volunteer working with the SID on behalf of the Council would be required:
 - to carry out a risk assessment beforehand using the assessment provided by Grundisburgh Parish Council
 - not to work alone
 - to wear hi-vis clothing

6.2.2 Application to SCC for Locations for SID Use in The Street

It was understood that SCC would pay for poles for use with the SID, but the Council would have to pay for the fixing brackets. It was **RESOLVED**:

- that application be made to SCC for the installation of/use of existing poles to which the SID could be fixed at three locations in The Street, one near the bridge, one by the Church and one by the Village Hall.

6.2.3 SAVID Meeting in March

District Councillor Hedgley reported that this meeting would take place in Charsfield, not Clopton, but that a date was not yet known.

6.2.4 EAOW Works: Restoration of Holly Lane

It was noted that the cable crossing point in Holly Lane had been closed and the verges reinstated. Any planting of new hedge or trees would be agreed with the landowner. It was **RESOLVED**:

- to ask if one remaining sign could be relocated to improve visibility for traffic along Holly Lane, as there was already some damage to the reinstated verges.

6.2.5 Condition of Footpath 18 near former Grove Farm Buildings

It was noted that the footpath and sleeper bridge were in poor condition, due to flooding and as the path was also an agricultural access to the field. Works had also

been carried out around the stiles at the railway crossing. SCC had agreed to inspect the route and its views were awaited.

7 Report from Local District Councillor

District Councillor Hedgley's report had been circulated. He drew attention to the statement by the leader of ESC about the Ipswich Northern Route and clarified that ESC did not support the proposal proceeding any further.

8 Wi-fi and IT Facilities at Bealings Village Hall

It was noted that the Village Hall Management Committee had secured funding from District Councillor Tony Fryatt's locality budget for the installation of a phone line, wi-fi and an HDMI TV screen in the Committee Room. The Council would have a remote control. It was intended to complete the work by the end of March. It was **RESOLVED**:

- to thank the Village Hall Management Committee for its swift action, which would enable the Council and residents to view planning applications on the screen during meetings.

9 Public Sewer for The Street

No further information on the Council's appeal was available.

10 Police

10.1 First Tier Liaison Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 January 2020 had been circulated. It was **RESOLVED**:

- that a request would be made for Dr Hopkins to be included in the list of attendees at the meeting held on 23 January
- that Mr Garnham would represent the Council at the First Tier Liaison meeting on 5 March 2020.

11 Finance

11.1 Bank Statement/Cheque Book Reconciliation for the Third Quarter

This had been completed satisfactorily by Mr Hunter.

11.2 Authorisation of Expenditure

It was **RESOLVED** that the following expenditure be incurred:

- CAS Website training: £48 (LGA Act 1972 s111)
- Clerk's net salary for March and expenses: £279.90 (LGA Act 1972 s111)
- PAYE for March: £68.20 (LGA Act 1972 s111)

A schedule of the above payments was signed by the Chairman and cheques were signed by Ms Head and Dr Hopkins.

It was also **RESOLVED** that, when invoices were received, the following expenditure be incurred:

- Information Commissioner Annual Fee for Registration (LGA Act 1972 s111)
- Hire of Bealings Village Hall for 2019/20 (LGA Act 1972 s111)

11.3 Income Received

Income of £4.84 had been received, interest on the Council's NS&I account for 2019.

12 Matters Arising from Circulated Items

It was **RESOLVED**:

- that the Chairman would be attending the SALC Area meeting on 12 March.

13 Correspondence

It was **RESOLVED**:

- to circulate various items of information to Councillors.

14 Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Council would be on 11 May 2020.

15 Arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting on 2 March 2020

It was noted that written reports had been requested from those who wished to present a report at the meeting. It was **RESOLVED**:

- that the Chairman and Clerk would meet the 'Climate Emergency' speaker at the Village Hall before the meeting to ensure that projection facilities were available.

16 Date of Next Meeting

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.15pm.