



MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BEACHAMWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 6pm in the Villagers Hall.

Present: Councillors J Cooper, S Davies, D Lambert (chair), P Roberts, G Siddons, M Warner.

1. Apologies for absence.

Cllr C Friend – apologies were RECEIVED and ACCEPTED from Cllr Friend, alternative commitment.

2. To record declarations of interest and approve any requests for dispensations.

None.

3. Minutes.

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 2nd July 2024 were AGREED as a true and correct record and signed by the chair.

4. Public Form.

4.1 Fabian Eagle, County Councillor. Not present.

4.2 Peter Wilkinson, District Councillor reported that the inspiring communities grant is now open. Breckland is consulting on charging for car parks – feedback was offered that those present did not support this. Boundary changes are being undertaken locally, there will be no change for Beachamwell. The Local Plan review has been suspended in response to national planning changes. Recycling centre charges are due to be introduced.

4.3 It was AGREED under this item to allow the Parochial Church Council to utilise the left hand leaf of the Parish Council noticeboard as an interim measure whilst the church noticeboard is not in use.

5. Updates on previous Matters.

To receive reports on progress of items not on the agenda from the previous meetings – no decisions may be taken under this item.

5.1 Definitive Map printout. A3 requested – Cllr Fabian Eagle to collect from County Hall and deliver. Noted.

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- 5.2 Footpaths used within the Parish that do not appear on definitive map. Awaiting hard copy of map. Any paths in use that do not appear on the map to be discussed.
- 5.3 Clerk was asked to process TPO application as requested.

6. Finance and Governance Matters.

- 6.1 It was RESOLVED to make the payments at Annex A.
- 6.2 Up to date bank reconciliation showing a balance of £11,423.87 was received, checked and signed by Cllr Siddons.
Budget to date was presented to the meeting. All items within budgeted allowances, no concerns raised. It was RESOLVED that the Council support the Village Hall project to replace the Play Area. This to be by way of Clerk support – any financial request to be made once the costings were available. Earmarked Reserves were reviewed: £250 to be added for village green trackway.

7. Planning.

- 7.1 To consider consultee response to applications received from Breckland District Council prior to the meeting date:
 - 7.1.1 None.
- 7.2 NOTED applications received between meetings and the Parish Council response:
 - 7.2.1 3PL/2024/0596/HOUS – 4 The Street, Beachamwell. Proposed Front and rear single storey extensions and internal alterations. No comment sent.
 - 7.2.2 3PL/2023/1102/F – Forest Edge Arena, Drymere. Proposed 2 holiday cabins, menage, and extension to equestrian centre building. Amended description. Comments sent.
- 7.3 To receive notification of decisions taken by Breckland District Council:
- 7.4 Neighbourhood Plan for Beachamwell. There has been no local interest in pursuing this as a project. Not to be followed up.
- 7.5 NOTED Brecklands Building Control service is transitioning with IT. No applications to be registered 18.9.2024 to 7.10.2024. It may not be possible to search the planning portal.

8. Administrative Matters.

- 8.1 The Financial Regulations were AGREED as presented.
- 8.2 The Standing Orders were AGREED as presented.
- 8.3 NOTED that the Clerk will be attending the Breckland Engagement event taking place on Tuesday 17th September at Dereham.
- 8.4 Insurance Renewal – due on 1st October 2024. Renewal of Policy with Zurich - £327.00. Gallagher £629.02, Clear start at £295.86 – no definitive price given. It was RESOLVED to renew with Zurich, the schedule was agreed as circulated. PROPOSED Cllr Siddons, seconded Cllr Davies. To be paid immediately as due before next meeting.

9. Correspondence.

- 9.1 The Council received historical postcards. Letter of thanks to be sent. Frame to be purchased and cards to be displayed in Village Hall. To be put on a new 'history' page on the website.

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9.2 RECEIVED update on changes for national planning policy.

10. Highways and Village Matters.

- 10.1 Shingham Lane – request to Highways for signage to restrict access for HGV vehicles. No response to date.
- 10.2 Tree report. The meeting received the response from UK Power Networks. It was DELEGATED to the Clerk to check best prices for the Horse Chestnut and Sycamore elements of the Tree Survey and order the works as a matter of urgency. PROPOSED Cllr J Cooper, seconded Cllr G Siddons.
- 10.3 No outstanding highways issues to be notified to clerk. Residents to be encouraged to report directly wherever possible.
- 10.4 To note Parish Partnership invitation for 2025/6. To consider any suitable projects for inclusion in the budget. Next meeting.
- 10.5 NOTED speeding report summary – 24th May to 24th July.

11. Dates of next meetings.

November 5th 2024 at 3pm
January 7th 2025 at 3pm
March 4th 2025 at 3pm
March 11th 2025 – 7pm – Annual Parish Meeting
May 6th 2025 – Annual Parish Council meeting
July 1st 2025
September 2nd 2025
November 4th 2025

12. Matters for next agenda.

Risk Management Assessment
Asset Register – review of.
To consider bat survey.
To receive investigations of siting a camera on the speed cameras.

Payments for Authorisation September 2024 Meeting of Beachamwell Parish Council					
PAYMENTS					
Sarah Hunt	Payroll and WFH - September	£339.77		£339.77	
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HMRC	September	£78.40		£78.40	
HMRC	to end October	£78.40		£78.40	
Group 4 News	Information page	£250.00		£250.00	
NALC	Additional Website Hosting fee	£35.00		£35.00	PAID
		£1,121.34	£0.00	£1,121.34	

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