

BEAULIEU PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING ON THURSDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2020

A virtual meeting held on zoom due to the coronavirus pandemic HM Government regulations.

PRESENT

Cllr. F. Norris (Chairman), Cllr. C. Knight, Cllr. S. Reece, Cllr. S. Steele, Cllr. L. Shanks, Cllr. M. Grindrod

APOLOGIES

Cllr. P. Fairweather

ABSENT

Cllr. L. Dearing

IN ATTENDANCE

Cllr. K. Mans, Cllr. M. Harris. Clerk present intermittently due poor broadband width.

1884. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Proposed: Cllr. Reece Seconded: Cllr. Shanks

1885. **MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr. Steele reported that Greenspan were going to repair the slide in the playground and she will encourage them to undertake the work soon.

1886. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

1887. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

1888. **POLICE LIAISON**

PC Eastwood not present.

1889. **HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**

Cllr. Mans said aware there was a difficulty with Covid testing three weeks ago. The longer it takes to do the rest causes difficulty in doing the lockdown. 11/100,000 test rate for Hampshire. The incidence of the virus in Hampshire is low. Said testing in our area was up and hospital admissions had risen by a small amount. The worry is the cross over to the older generation. The Outbreak Engagement Committee meet tomorrow 18/9/2020 chaired by Cllr. Mans. The cases are going up in Hampshire but below the level of some other authorities. They are looking at staffing levels in council offices. There are only 60/70 staff when the normal amount would be about 2000. Need to get back to normality. Lack of social contact amongst staff is a concern. Finance – Council is short of cash but has good reserves. The Council intends to launch an Action Plan for the environment. Parish Councils to be involved. Said Council playgrounds are open but the rule of six must apply within them. Advice to BPC regarding its playground is to ensure it is being used safely. For further guidance contact Simon Bryant at HCC. Asked by Cllr. Shanks who is responsible for Covid testing locally and who gets a test? Cllr. Mans replied it is the Government. HCC

wanted to take control over track and trace as they felt they would do it better being local rather than as national track and trace scheme. There needs to be a set of priorities. Telephone 111 to check if test required. Cllr. Mans reminded BPC that he still has some devolved budget available.

1890. **NEW FOREST DISTRICT COUNCILS REPRESENTATIVES REPORT**

Cllr. Harris said if we get another bin NFDC will empty this at no extra charge, asked when it will be in position. Cllr. Norris said not heard from Beaulieu Estate. Cllr. Harris said when installed will be added to the round. Cllr. Norris asked if they had any trouble keeping up with demand for emptying bins, last weekend was bad. Cllr. Harris replied there have been hot spots, but trying to keep up. Said to phone if we have full bins. Said staff beginning to return to work, not in a hurry as concerned about sharing bathrooms, desk space and bringing in germs. Many want to continue working from home. The planning dept. need technology office working can offer them. Very gradual move back, at best 50%. Usually only 60% of staff in office as staff on holiday, sick, working away, working from home. Electrol review, Bounday Commission, reduce number of Cllrs. from 60-48. Beaulieu will be part of a one Cllr. ward with East Boldre, Exbury, Lepe and Boldre. Re Electrol registration, everyone should have had a letter giving your details. If correct do nothing, if incorrect go on line and make amendments. The four Task and Finish groups are looking at housing, local economy and communities and one other. Looking at post-covid rejuvenation of economy, building houses, lot of work being done to plan/prepare for recovery. Waterside development, lot of work being done, biggest small town in S.E. huge development at site of old power station, 4,000 homes. Re the budget, have been prudent over the years and able to use reserves to plug huge hole in budget. Had some support from government, but not enough. Planning rule changed to try to encourage developers to build more houses more quickly.

1891. **PLANNING**

Cllr. Norris said Gravelly House application has been withdrawn.
Hazel Cope Piggery has now got permanent planning permission. That was what we wanted to happen.

Park Farm, no decision yet.

20/00575 – The Tukul, Dock Lane

Garden pavilion and plunge pool

7 Cllrs. in favour

Proposed: Cllr. Reece Seconded: Cllr. Steele

20/00489 – Site of Little Marsh, Parkshore

Replacement dwelling with lap pool, outbuildings etc

Cllr. Norris said the original house on the foreshore was demolished and planning permission granted 5/6 years ago, reinstated with same habitable area, nothing happen for 4-5 years apart from the building of a lodge, which won a NP design award for outstanding architecture. Very low profile on one level with lots of glass, keeps it profile from the solent. Very little impact. Many consultations have taken place.

Cllr. Shanks abstaining, as double standards as far as NP is concerned.

Proposed: Cllr. Knight

Seconded: Cllr. Reece

DECISIONS

20/00427 – NF Activities, The Piggery, Hazel Copse.

Toilets – Granted

20/00447 – 5 Baileys Hard

Replacement external staircase – Granted

20/00421 – Beck Farm

New temp building. Temp permission granted

20/00522 – Moonwood,

Outbuilding – Granted

Tree Works

CONS/20/0476 – Grove Gate, Lyndhurst Road

Fell 1 Common Yew and 1 Cherry Tree

1892. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Cllr. Grindrod raised concern about the NF Rattler cycling event. Said he has looked at the risk assessment, and it says there is no risk, as cyclists ride with the vehicles on the road. Said there is a risk as they ride in a group of 10/12. In the risk assessment they say they do not need toilet facilities, no hand washing facilities, no water stations, no social distancing. It needs a careful look at. Cllr. Reece thought a lot of the events were cancelled, so did not put the emergency services at unnecessary risk. Thinks having this event is very selfish. Said 99% of cyclists do not abide by the rules. They are putting people at risk, stopping where they shouldn't, doing things they shouldn't. How many other parishes, villages will accept this sort of behaviour when covid is on increase. Are they going to have their temperatures taken? No one enforces the rules. Cllr. Norris said we write and say it is putting the local population under risk and the emergency services in these times. Cllr. Norris thanked Cllr. Grindrod for bringing this up.

NFNPA – Enforcement lists

NFDC – Forward Plan – October

NFDC – Changes to Electrol Register

ICO – Data Protection renewal

Lloyds Bank – £17,458.19

1893. **CHEQUE SIGNING**

Ashdown Services – hosting our website. £85.49

Have signed the cheque, asked if all Cllrs. were in agreement.

All in favour.

Proposed : Cllr. Grindrod Seconded: Cllr. Knight

1894. **QUESTION TIME**

Cllr. Steele said that Cllr. Grindrod very kindly did the playground inspection, needs more chippings, will ask Cllr. Fairweather to order.

Cllr. Grindrod said there are a few weeds around benches and gate away from school. Screws are protruding from repair on slide. Cllr. Steele will ask handyman to tighten up and will chase Greenspan for new section and get Mark to weed and hedge cutting. Cllr. Grindrod said should we close it for half term while we do jobs, as impossible to rope off one piece of equipment, people take no notice. Cllr. Steele said she would get in touch with Simon Bryant and get

advice. Cllr. Harris said it is very difficult, Brockenhurst playground is open with increased cleaning. Cllr. Grindrod said our level of cleaning is zero. Feels we should close short term as impossible to clean. Cllrs. Reece and Knight feel it should be shut. Cllr. Steele thinks only groups of 6 will be a problem. Cllr. Shanks said we need advice. Cllr. Norris said what we are doing is what is expected of us, telling people to wash their hands after using the equipment and keep 2m apart. Playground in EB is open. Cllr. Grindrod said do we need to have a sub-committee in case a second wave of covid. Put something in place or wait until it happens. Cllr. Norris said very good point. Said we need something in place. Said set up a zoom group with some of the people from the High Street, the church, residents association. That could be a hub. Cllr. Norris said Quadrant meeting on 23rd 7pm. Invitations via the clerk. Cllrs Knight and Reece to attend virtually.

Meeting closed at 7.49pm

Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 15th October 2020 at 6.30p.m. on zoom.