

# LOWER BEEDING PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Church Room, Plummers Plain  
on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2017 at 7.30p.m.**

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## **Present :**

LBPC Councillors Ed Allen (Chairman), Michael Lloyd (Vice Chairman), Gevin White, Mrs. Kate Hough, Mrs. Jaqui Ward and Mrs. Leslie Bamford.

WSCC Councillor Mrs. Liz Kitchen and HDC Councillor Jonathan Chowen,  
Wayne Bayley and 4 other residents of Lower Beeding Parish.

Clerk: Michael Tuckwell

## **1. Minutes of the Lower Beeding Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017.**

Sign-off of these Minutes was postponed until the next Meeting (30<sup>th</sup> January 2018) pending receipt of some corrections that the Chairman stated he wished to make. Note: some advised corrections from the Chairman to the Minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Meeting were also still awaited.

## **2. Matters Arising**

It was agreed that ex-Councillors Graham Miller and Mrs. Jaimie Daniels, who had both been trained on the proper maintenance of the playground equipment should be asked if they would be prepared to carry on with the regular inspection of same. If they were not, then the equipment contractors would be asked to send someone to carry out this work at LBPC cost.

*Action: Chairman/Clerk*

## **3. Apologies.**

Apologies for absence were received from HDC Councillor Toni Bradnum, LBPC Councillors Geoff Peckham, Michael Lloyd (Vice Chairman) and Andy Hinton and the Rev. Mark Betson.

## **4. Declarations of Interest.** There were none.

## **5. Public Forum (Part 1) (Council agree to adjourn proceedings for questions from members of the public).**

Mr. Wayne Bayley again raised the matter of his objections to the recent Planning Application for Holme Farm and in particular the manner in which they had been treated by LBPC. No firm conclusion was reached although LBPC stated that they believed that there were some evident misunderstandings with the way that the application and planning meetings had been advertised/advised but that, overall, they were happy that LBPC's approval of the application and Wayne's objections to it had both been lodged fairly with HDC Planning for their considered approval or objection.

## **6. Highways, Traffic and Open Spaces )**

## **7. Pathways, Footpaths & Hedgerows )**

Councillor White stated that he had investigated the possibility of a TRO for a 20mph zone in Mill Lane and had determined that, in view of several more urgent requirements, this would be a 'non starter' with WSCC.

LBPC were requested to write to Chris Stark, WSCC Highways Department to ask him to define (a) what the correct speed limit for Warninglid Road was i.e. was it 50mph or de-restricted? and (b) Can a solid white line be put in place?

*Action: Councillor Gevin White*

## **8. Website Report. )**

## **9. Communication. )**

There was nothing to report on these items.

## **10. Neighbourhood Plan.**

Councillor Mrs. Leslie Bamford advised that she and our Consultants (Dowsett Mayhew) had recently attended with HDC Neighbourhood Planning Officer Norman Kwan wherein it was clearly stated that no Neighbourhood Plans would be allowed to go forward with HDC unless they complied with HDC Policy Guidelines. The Guidelines require that all sites submitted for consideration have to be adjacent to current village boundaries/cartilage which will, effectively, rule out 19 of the 23 sites that LBPC is currently considering under our Neighbourhood Plan!! Norman Kwan is preparing a statement for us to issue to all rejected sites.

The Clerk advised that to date he had heard nothing about our application for a Locality Grant of £12,000 and would chase it up.

*Action: Clerk*

11. (i) **County Councillor's Report.** WSCC Cllr. Liz Kitchen reported, as follows:-

## 12. Planning

### (i) Applications for Consideration at the Meeting

DC/17/2423 (Blagdon, Handcross Road, Plummers Plain) – Erection of a 2 storey side extension.

*LBPC have No Objections*

DC/17/2330 (Rojena Cottage, Brighton Road) – Erection of a 2 storey side extension and a single storey rear extension.

*LBPC have No Objections*

### (iv) Other Planning Applications

Comptons Tennis Club have asked for LBPC's support with an application that they wish to make for S106 funding towards the cost of providing covered court facilities with indoor floodlighting.

*Action: The Chairman will confirm to the Tennis Club that we will be happy to give support as necessary.*

13. **Care of the Elderly in the Parish )**

14. **Police Activity )**

15. **HALC )**

Vice Chairman Michael Lloyd undertook to write something re Item 13 (Care of the Elderly) for the Parish Magazine. Otherwise, there was nothing at present to report for Items 14 & 15. Discussion on these subjects was therefore postponed until the next Meeting.

## 16. Finance

5 Cheques, totalling approximately £1,600, were signed.

It was noted that LBPC's Annual Precept Request was due to be submitted to HDC by late January. The Chairman stated that he would shortly be issuing an e-mail on the matter.

*Action: Chairman*

**Date of Next LBPC Meeting**

The next Meeting of Lower Beeding Parish Council will be on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_