

MINUTES
BEAN PARISH COUNCIL
Monday 9th September 2024
at 7.00pm
at
Bean Village Hall

Members noted that following a resolution passed at the October 2010 Meeting, Item 7, and in accordance with Standing Orders 12a the Minutes of the previous meeting would be taken as read.

Present: Cllr. K Turner-Burgin (Chair), Cllr. K Clarke, Cllr. D Hammock, Cllr. J Turner-Burgin, Cllr. S Weeks, Cllr. T Williams

There were no members of the public present.

	Agenda Item
1	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u> Were received and accepted from Cllr. Munday.</p>
2	<p><u>Declarations of interest</u> 2.1 There were no updates to the Register of Interests 2.2 Declarations of interest against an agenda item. 2.2.1 It was NOTED that Cllr. Hammock sits on DBC Development Board and therefore, would refrain from any discussions or decisions regarding planning matters.</p>
3	<p><u>Public Participation (Local Government Act, s 100)</u> The council meets and makes its decisions in public. A council meeting is not a public meeting. It is a meeting held in public and there is no requirement in law which allows members of the public to speak at such meetings.</p> <p>However, the council is keen to encourage public attendance at meetings and will therefore provide an opportunity to local registered electors to show it is committed to community engagement.</p> <p>A maximum of 3 minutes is allowed per person to speak and the total length of time afforded for public participation at each meeting shall be no more than 10 minutes, subject to an extension of this time, in exceptional circumstances, being agreed by the Chairman.</p>
4	<p><u>Minutes</u> 4.1 To APPROVE the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 8th July 2024 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council.</p> <p><i>RESOLVED:</i> <i>That the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 8th July 2024 be approved and adopted as a true record</i></p>

	<p>4.2 To APPROVE the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 19th August 2024 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council.</p> <p>RESOLVED: <i>That the Minutes of the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 19th August 2024 be approved and adopted as a true record</i></p>
5	<p><u>Urgent Matters</u> None.</p>
6	<p><u>Announcements from the Chair</u> None.</p>
7	<p><u>Community Rural Warden</u> 7.1 Cllr. Clarke gave a brief verbal report on his recent meeting with the Warden and advised that she had been successful in securing £100 for the Parish Council from the Co-op to be used towards the Bean Together event including Fish & Chip supper on 7th October 2024 15.30 – 18.00. As previously resolved BPC will also donate up to £100 towards the costs.</p>
8	<p><u>Correspondence</u> The following was noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation to attend the RVSG (Rural Village Services Group) Annual Meeting which will be held between 16.30-17.30 on Thursday, 3rd October 2024 online via Zoom.
9	<p><u>KALC/SLCC/NALC</u> 9.1 The following were NOTED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - August Bulletin - Standards Conference 10th October 2024
10	<p><u>Parish Forum</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>
11	<p><u>GDPR</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>
12	<p><u>Consultations</u> No matters to consider at time of publication</p>
13	<p><u>Kent Police</u> No matters to consider at time of publication</p>
14	<p><u>Planning</u> The following were NOTED</p> <p>14.1 Weekly planning lists from DBC including Planning Decisions taken under delegated powers</p> <p>14.2 Weekly planning lists from EDC</p> <p>Permission has been GRANTED for the following applications</p>

	<p>14.3 DA/24/00793/FUL 103 Stonewood, Bean DA2 8BZ Erection of a single storey rear extension and front porch</p> <p>14.4 DA/24/00488/FUL 48 Foxwood Road Bean Kent DA2 8BH Erection of a single storey front extension and retrospective planning permission for a garage conversion with associated external alterations</p> <p>Members considered</p> <p>14.5 24/00968/P1AA Bean Cottage Shellbank Lane Application for prior approval under Schedule 2, Part 1, Class AA of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) for enlargement of a dwelling by construction of additional storey with a maximum height of 10.6 metres</p> <p>The Council were neutral on this application but supported a neighbouring resident's request for a site visit.</p> <p>14.6 An appeal has been lodged with the Planning Inspectorate regarding The Roundabout on The Junction of Watling St Bean Lane and B225 Watling Street Dartford Description of Development: Display of 4 non-illuminated free-standing advertising boards on roundabout Application Reference EDC/24/0017 Appeal Reference EDC/AP/24/0001 Appeal Start Date 8 August 2024 Appellants Name Mrs Woodward Inspectorate Reference APP/J2285/Z/24/3346314</p> <p>Members NOTED that As this appeal is proceeding under the Commercial Appeals Service, there is no opportunity for you to submit comments. However, we have forwarded all the representations made to us on the application to the Planning Inspectorate and the appellant. These will be considered by the Inspector when determining the appeal.</p>
15	<p><u>Highways</u></p> <p>15.1 Closure of Southfleet Road Temporary Road Closure - B255 Southfleet Road, Bean - 19th September 2024 for 2 days between 0930 and 1430 was NOTED The road will be closed from the national speed limit signs to the sewage pumping station. The alternative route is via B255 Southfleet Road/High Street/Ashwood Place/Bean Lane, Watling Street Roundabout, A296 Watling Street/Princes Road, B260 Green Street Green Road, B262 Sandbanks Hill and vice versa.</p>
16	<p><u>Environmental Issues</u> No matters to consider at time of publication.</p>

17	<p><u>Footpaths</u> 17.1 Footpath DR24 Confirmation has been received from both the tenant farmer and the PROWO that access to DR24 from Sandy Lane to the junction with DR25 will be reinstated this month.</p>														
18	<p><u>Beacon Woods</u> 18.1 TMS Protection have been contracted to close the Country Park each day. 18.2 SWS Countryside Limited have been contracted to carry out strimming work and step repairs. Costs for the work will be paid by BPC and reimbursed by FOBW.</p>														
19	<p><u>Recreation Facilities</u> 19.1 TMS Protection have been contracted to close the recreation ground each day. 19.2 Repairs to the climbing frame – removal of existing rope bridge and installation of replacement and removal and replacement of flat swing have been scheduled on H&S grounds. Cost £1,799.20 + VAT</p>														
20	<p><u>Bean Village Hall</u> 20.1 The Minutes of the Village Hall Committee meeting which took place on Monday 2nd September 2024 were received and noted. 20.2 To CONSIDER the Village Hall Committee recommendation that the hire period for Jumping Beans Pre-School be extended to include Wednesday afternoons.</p> <p>RESOLVED: <i>That Jumping Bean Pre-School may increase their hours of hire of Bean Village Hall to include Wednesday afternoons, from Monday 4th November 2024.</i></p>														
21	<p><u>Allotment Association</u> No matters to consider at time of publication</p>														
22	<p><u>Residents' Association</u> 22.1 Bean RA AGM – 2 September 2024 This meeting was attended by representatives from EDC. Cllr. Hammock attended on behalf of DBC and BPC. It was noted that although this meeting was the Association's AGM it was very poorly attended and insufficient members were present, according to their 2014 constitution which states that the quorum is 15, to conduct any business.</p>														
23	<p><u>Finance</u></p> <p>23.1 Balance as at 31 July 2024 on all accounts <u>Bean Parish Council</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="331 1756 1209 1910"> <tr> <td>Reserve Account</td> <td>14,102.56</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Current Account (No. 1 account)</td> <td>5,267.80</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td>42.66</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>19,413.02</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Bean Village Hall</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="331 1984 1209 2092"> <tr> <td>Current Account (No. 2 account)</td> <td>14,865.51</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Petty Cash</td> <td>46.62</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL</td> <td>14,912.13</td> </tr> </table>	Reserve Account	14,102.56	Current Account (No. 1 account)	5,267.80	Petty Cash	42.66	TOTAL	19,413.02	Current Account (No. 2 account)	14,865.51	Petty Cash	46.62	TOTAL	14,912.13
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23.2 Bank and Scribe reports up to 31 August 2024

The following were received and discussed.

- Co-op Bank transactions on all accounts 1- 31 August 2024
- Bank reconciliation on all accounts was agreed and signed.
- Monthly breakdown of receipts and payments
- Net position by cost centre and code
- Receipts and payments forecast
- Summary of receipts and payments all cost centres and codes
- Cost centre year comparisons

23.3 Balance as at 31 August 2024 on all accountsBean Parish Council

Reserve Account	14,102.56
Current Account (No. 1 account)	3,684.10
Petty Cash	42.66
TOTAL	17,829.32

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Current Account (No. 2 account)	10,732.74
Petty Cash	46.62
TOTAL	10,779.36

23.4 External Audit of the Council 2023-2024

The Clerk advised that the morning of the meeting she had received from Mazars, the external auditor, the completed audited AGAR for 2023/2024, completion letter and completion notice.

Mazars confirmed that no other matters had come to their attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements had not been met. With reference to minor scope for improvement in 2024/2025 there were no minor issues identified.

24**Items of interest****24.1** Chair's Items - none**24.2** Borough Councillor's Items – none**24.3** Members' Item - none**24.4** Clerk's Items

The Clerk's report was noted

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.25pm

Chair.....

Date