

BEAFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on the Monday 13th May 2019

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Election of Officers

It was proposed after a paper ballot for Cllr Underhill to be elected as Chairman, Cllr Underhill accepted the post.

It was proposed after a paper ballot for Cllr Steer to be elected Vice Chairman, Cllr Steer accepted the post.

Parish Hall Representative, Cllr Berry was proposed by Cllr Huxtable and seconded by Cllr Underhill, Cllr Berry accepted the post.

Advisory Committee Cllr Underhill and any Councillor able to attend agreed to represent the Parish Council.

Snow Warden Cllr Huxtable accepted the post.

Footpath representative Cllr Huxtable accepted the post.

Present Cllr G Underhill (took the chair), Cllr S Berry Cllr R Huxtable Cllr R Pearce Cllr C Steer and Mrs A Snell clerk

In attendance Cllr A Saywell

Apologies Cllr M Clarke Cllr R Lock -District Councillor and PCSO Brown.

Declaration of Interests – Councillors are invited to declare any discloseable pecuniary interest, including the nature and extent of such interests they may have in any items to be considered at this meeting, including protocol for audio/visual recordings a meeting. They are also reminded to consider whether in the light of recent activities any items within their Register of Interests should be updated.

Public Participation.

1.i. The Minutes of the meeting held on 24th April were agreed and signed.

2. Clerks Report

i. Beaford Centre Field next to Village Hall, the night landing site has been cut but not exactly the 50m by 50m so on the next cut the contractor is to be asked to cut the whole size.

3. Chairman's Report.

i. Play equipment, the new piece of equipment to replace the old one for the young children is all going well, the turf has been laid. The next project for the Village Green is to do up the archway and put up a gate at that entrance to the road, quotes are to be obtained.

Viridor would like to know when the next publicity day will be for the new piece of equipment, this was suggested in the children's holidays.

It was discussed regarding the overhanging beech tree from Warren House, Cllr Pearce is to ask if it would be possible to have them cut back.

ii. Auditor, Mr John Spilstead has agreed to audit the accounts.

4. Highway Issues, the bridge on St Clements road has been hit this is the lane towards Upcott, Cllr Saywell is to look into this.

5. County and District Councillors items, Cllr Saywell congratulated Cllr Lock and Cllr Clarke on their election success, Cllr Saywell also thanked Cllr Steer for her work and dedication as Chairman over her time in office.

Torrington Rural will be part of a pilot for identifying future highways works. Our Neighbourhood Highways Officer, Darryl Jagger will be seconded to Asset Management we are still waiting for more details. Cllr Saywell was very pleased though that this area has been selected for a pilot instead of East or South Devon!

The co-option notice for the two required councillors will be put up, then the co-option will take place at the next meeting

6. Finance, i Approve and sign the following cheque: -

439	Beaford Parish Hall	£24.00
440	Community First	£288.37
441	Plants Cllr Pearce	£25.07

i. The insurance was discussed further enquires are to be made to ensure all the play equipment is covered.

7.i. Planning

P C recommendations TDC

1/0203/2019/F UL	Retrospective works for retention of detached outbuilding and raised decking area including creation of surrounding balustrade, Medlars, Beaford	Passed
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It has been brought to the attention of TDC there is a building on the ground at Cocksworthy, land between the sewage works and the pub, a response is awaited.

8. Police Report, in the period from 1st June 2018 to 9th May 2019 there has been 16 crimes a 60% increase on the year before. In the same period there has been 54 calls where incidents were recorded.

9. Caretakers Report & Hall report, i. Another set of keys are to be cut for the notice board.

10. Correspondence i. DALC Newsletters. ii. Torrridge District Crime Reports and newsletters.

As there was no further business the meeting was closed.

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 26th June 2019** Parish Council meeting **7.30pm**

.....Chairman

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Forthcoming meeting: Wednesday 31st July 2019 Parish Council meeting