

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the Wednesday 26th June 2019

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 R Lock -District Councillor and six members of the public

Apologies Cllr A Saywell Cllr M Clarke 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.

The proposed planning for the 41 dwellings was discussed, parking especially on the A3124 was highlighted, highways issues which including the access and visibility were discussed along with surface water, sewers and views and the fact that the road is so well used especially by large lorries. Access to the School will be possible through the new development with adequate parking for buses, mini buses and cars.

Mr Rodgers answered questions and made plans available to be viewed.

All were thanked for attending.

Declaration of acceptance forms were signed along with Register of Interest forms distributed.

Co-option of two Parish Councillors after a paper ballot, Mr D Buswell and Mr D Rodgers were co-opted onto the Parish Council.

1.i. The Minutes of the meeting held on 13th May were agreed and signed.

2. Clerks Report

3. Chairman's Report.

i. Play equipment, the turf has been laid and the children are very much enjoying the equipment. The next project for the Village Green is to do up the archway and put up a gate at that entrance to the road, a quote has been obtained for £445 plus Vat for the railings and gate it was proposed by Cllr Huxtable and seconded by Cllr Pearce to accept this all-in favour. It was suggested to use some mats that Cllr Steer has to create an area for hopscotch, Mr Warrington is to be contacted regarding installation.

It was discussed again regarding Viridor wanting to know when the next publicity day will be for the new piece of equipment, this was suggested in the children's holidays and when the railings have been installed. It was suggested an afternoon with a bring and share tea and an ice cream van.

Mr James Jarroudi is to be asked for a further sign to put on the equipment.

The next suggested items are an exercise bike but the cost is £6500 with a multi springer £5500, so it was agreed to wait for the S106 money before any further purchases, it was proposed by Cllr Huxtable seconded by Cllr Steer that the adult exercise bike will be the next purchase. |All in favour. Cllr Saywell has kindly agreed to grant £1500 for which he was thanked.

Maintenance of the wooden swings needs to be undertaken with protective varnish; it was agreed this will be purchased. Grass is growing under the Rhino swings they are to be contacted.

ii. Grass cutting, the hall committee are wanting to take over cutting the whole field, as they are to employ someone to do it. So, the Parish Council contractor is to be contacted and use the money that was earmarked for the DAAT area for extra cuts around the village. The gates are still locked. Mr Toby Russell from DAAT is to be contacted to draw up an agreement between the Hall committee and the Parish Council so everyone is clear on responsibilities.

4. Highway Issues,

5. County and District Councillors items, Cllr Lock reported that recycling in the last year has gone up to 51% from 41% thus diverting 3600 black bag waste from landfill. Cllr Lock also reported that there are now charging points for electric cars at Bideford, Appeldore, Torrington and Holsworthy each unit will charge 2 cars to 80% charged in 30 minutes, there is a £1 connection fee plus charge fee of 30p per kilowatt hour, with a maximum stay of 90 minutes.

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

442	Beaford Parish Hall	£12.00
443	Auditor Mr. J Spilstead	£50.00
444	TK Play	£6106.00
445	Devon Turf	£395.00

i. Agree and sign the Annual Governance Statement; it was proposed by Cllr Huxtable seconded by Cllr Pearce all in favour.

ii. Agree and sign the Accounting Statement, it was proposed by Cllr Steer seconded by Cllr Pearce all in favour.

iii. Fixed Asset Register this was circulated to councillors.

7.i. Planning

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1/0032/2019/F UL	Erection of an annexe extension to existing dwelling, Little Hall Farm, Beaford,	Passed
1/0407/2019/F ULM	Residential Development for 41 Dwellings including demolition of one dwelling for creation of new access (affecting public right of way) Location: Land Adjacent To Marshalls Mead, Beaford,	The response from the Parish Council to this application is: The Parish Council feel there are design issues with this development the blue cladding as proposed is not in keeping with the rest of the village. The access is giving great concern and needs to be thoroughly reviewed.
1/0529/2019/C PE	Certificate of existing lawful use of holiday units 2 and 4, known as 'Beech' and 'Oak', at Beaford House, as two independent dwelling houses (including amenity and parking areas) - Holiday Units 2 And 4 'Beech And Oak' Beaford	No Objections
1/0433/2019/F U	Application for the retention of timber building including erection of poly tunnel. Land at Reeds Farm, Beaford,	No objections

8. Police Report, in the last 30 days there has been three crimes one violence without Injury, one other theft and a criminal damage. In the same period there has been two calls of public safety where logs were created.

9. Caretakers Report & Hall report, i

10. Correspondence i. DALC Newsletters. ii. Torrington District Crime Reports and newsletters. It was recorded again the congratulations to Cllr Lock and Cllr Clarke on being elected as District Councillors

As there was no further business the meeting was closed.

Date of next meeting: **Wednesday 31st July 2019** Parish Council meeting **7.30pm**

.....Chairman.....Date

Forthcoming meeting: Wednesday 18th September 2019 Parish Council meeting, to be agreed