

Beckingham Parish Council

Draft Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 14th June 2017

Present: Cllr L Tatton (LT), Cllr A Brewer (AB), Cllr P Wells (PW)

Lynda Sills, Robin Gibbons

Terry Brown/Parish Clerk

Minute	Action
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17/50 Chairman's Announcements:

LT summarised an email that had recently been received from NALC inviting comments from Parish Councils on the Government's consultation about conserving the free use of public parks and the move by some local authorities to charge for parkruns in such public spaces.

The meeting considered that such a charging policy was completely inappropriate and instructed the Clerk to relay the Parish Council's view back to NALC.

Action Clerk

17/51 Apologies for absence

None

17/52 Members' Declarations of Interest.

None

17/53 Approval of the minutes of the meeting 17th May 2017.

These were approved unanimously and then signed by LT.

17/54 Matters arising from previous meetings

17/12/3 Roadside Gutters

LT reported that NKDC was still not sweeping the entire route along Sutton Road and asked the Clerk to report this back to NKDC.

Action Clerk

17/55 Matters for Discussion

/1 Co-option

LT welcomed Lynda Sills and Robin Gibbons and thanked them for their applications to be Councillors.

LT briefly outlined the work of Councillors and its importance to the welfare of the Community. Then he detailed the requirements to stand as a Councillor and both candidates agreed that they knew of no such disqualifications.

All Councillors then unanimously agreed to their election as Parish Councillors and the two candidates duly signed Declarations of Acceptance of Office and Disclosable Pecuniary Interest Declarations.

The Clerk detailed the Council's Code of Conduct and pointed to the full set of policies and procedures which are to be found on the Council website.

(<http://beckinghamvillage.co.uk/optGov.php>)

LT outlined the recent steps that had been taken to clarify the roles of the Parish Council, the Village Hall Management Committee and the newly formed Beckingham Village Hall Social Club in the running and use of the Village Hall.

Currently there is a need to complete a five yearly electrical safety check of the Village Hall for insurance cover requirements. This had indicated an immediate need to rectify an earthing problem on the boiler (cost of £110) and a longer term need to change the control panel (variously from £500 to £1000).

The Council agreed to the immediate need for the earthing to be done and that the longer-term problem would be discussed at the November meeting when the 2018-19 budget is to be set.

Action LT/Clerk

The meeting closed at 8.10pm

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