

LOWER BEEDING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 27th April 2021.
Due to the COVID-19 virus the meeting was held via Zoom software.

Present: Cllr Allen (Chairman), Cllr Hough, Cllr Ward, Cllr Mercer, Cllr Lillywhite, Cllr Bamford, Cllr Dawson.

Also present: Peter Knox (Clerk), Cllr Bradnum and four members of the public.

The Chairman began the meeting at 19:30 hours.

051/21 Apologies for absence: - Cllrs Lloyd, Peckham

052/21 Approval of the minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 23rd March 2021.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and seconded.

053/21 Approval of the minutes from the Planning Meeting held on 13th April 2021.

The minutes of the meeting were approved and seconded.

054/21 Declaration of interests from members in respect to any items on the agenda.

Cllr Dawson declared his marginal interest in previous business with the Cisswood Hotel.

055/21 Meetings attended by Councillors

Cllr Bamford, Roger Warwick and the Clerk held a Zoom meeting with Steve Douglas (Assistant Manager for Central Area Economy, Infrastructure and Environment for Highways and Transport in WSCC).

Cllr Mercer contacted the PRoW officer in HDC.

056/21 Report from District Councillor.

Cllr Bradnum reported the following to the PC.

- HDC are in semi-purdah in preparation for the forthcoming elections in May.
- The Council has been assessing the future housing requirement from Central Government and their response.
- HDC will return to Parkside in May as the office reopens.
- Leonardslee are being investigated for their new frontage / car park and removal of trees along the Brighton Road. Cllr Lillywhite commented on the size and number of the signs which make it unsightly. Cllr Bradnum will continue to monitor Leonardslee's activities.

057/21 Report from County Councillor.

There was no report from the County due to the local elections.

058/21 Public Adjournment to include

- Roger Warwick reported that the Community Speedwatch Team had held five sessions in the past month with over 200 offenders caught and reported.
- Three of the members of the Transport Working Party (TWP) met Steve Douglas of WSCC Highways via Zoom. The meeting was very fruitful with the TWP gleaning a lot of information in the processes they must follow to achieve their goals.
- Cllr Lillywhite offered his services to install and new traffic calming devices and new signposts.
- Cllr Bamford highlighted the options that Mr Douglas gave the TWP.

059/21 Neighbourhood Plan (NP) update – Cllr Bamford / The Clerk

- The NP is now at Reg 17 of the NP Regulations whereby the plan is scrutinised by an Examiner.
- We expect feedback from the Examiner in the next month.

060/21 Other matters arising which are not covered elsewhere on the agenda – The Clerk

- Public Meetings must begin again from 7th May. The Clerk will explore the possibility of holding the meeting in the near future in Holy Trinity Church.
- The Council discussed the possibility of holding live streaming meetings in the future. The Clerk reported that the government ruling was that live streamed meeting were not presently allowed.
- The PC were informed that there was an advertisement posted on the Parish Notice boards for new Councillors. The deadline runs out on 5th May.
- There are currently two applicants for the vacant positions.
- **Corona virus** – The PC continue to support residents through the COVID-19 pandemic and parishioners were transported to vaccine centres.

061/21 Chairman's announcements

The Chairman reported that the Annual General Meeting of the Council will be held on 15th June.

062/21 Planning Applications:

- **Environment Agency Permit Applications and update on Stonehouse Farm.**

Cllr Mercer reported the following:-

1. There had been no update from HDC Planning Enforcement on alleged contraventions of the planning violations at the Farm.
 2. Further breaches of the parking and weekend restrictions had been recorded by neighbours.
 3. The Public Rights of Way (PRoW) footpath has been blocked on the farm and has been given 14 days notice to rectify the closure.
 4. He will continue to monitor the site with assistance of neighbours.
- A new entrance has been created on Church Lane into Church Lane House. Highways should be informed of addition.

DC/21/0873 Old Bucks Head, Hammerpond Road, Plummers Plain, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 6PF

Alterations to the LV overhead line at Old Bucks Head. The works include re-stringing of the LV overhead line to 4W ABC and replacement of several poles.

The PC has no objection to this proposal.

DC/21/0727 Cisswood House Hotel, Sandygate Lane, Lower Beeding, Horsham

Erection of a detached two-storey building comprising of a total of 20.no flats with associated access works and parking.

The PC voted unanimously against this application on the following grounds:-

- 1/ The application is not in-line with the Neighbourhood Plan (NP) and is outside the BUAB.
- 2/ Flats / Apartments are contrary to the NP.
- 3/ It is unclear on the application on the viability and sustainability of the hotel.
- 4/ This is one of several Planning Applications on this site. All previous applications of this kind have been rejected because of the reasons given in 1/ & 2.

DC/21/0471 1 Crabtree Cottages, Brighton Road, Lower Beeding, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 6NH

Non-Material Amendment to previously approved application DC/19/0704 (Demolition of existing open pergola and erection of an enclosed link with roof lights between existing house and conservatory. Replacement of existing conservatory roof). Amendments to rooflights, and detail and wall finish / material to southern elevation.

The PC has no objection to this proposal.

063/21 Accounts status as at end of April 2021.

Date	Accounts – April 2021	AMOUNT £
Balance at 23rd March 2021		
	Business Account - Balance	£10,227.41
	Treasurers Account - Balance	£30,841.94
	Treasurers Account	
24-Mar	Clerks Salary (March)	£1,086.96
24-Mar	Clerks Expenses	£69.37
24-Mar	NI / PAYE Clerk	£330.20
24-Mar	Clerk's Pension	£465.01
29-Mar	Transfer to Business Account	£10,000.00
07-Apr	Zurich Insurance 21-22	£608.77
07-Apr	WSALC/NALC Subscription for 2021-22	£344.17
07-Apr	Garden Waste Collection x 4 bins	£141.00
15-Apr	MAS networks	£128.39
26-Apr	CREDIT - HDC CIL Funds	£1,123.55
	TOTAL	£12,050.32
	Business Account	
29-Mar	Transfer from Treasurers Account	£10,000.00
09-Apr	Interest	£0.12
Balance at 27th April 2021		
	Business Account - Balance	£20,227.53
	Treasurers Account - Balance	£18,791.62

064/21 Finance outstanding payments.

Date	Outstanding Payments	
	Clerks Salary (April)	£1,177.92
	Clerks Expenses (Zoom)	£14.39
	TOTAL	£1,192.31

Date of the next meetings:

065/21 Planning Meetings –Tuesday 11th May 2021 at 7:30 pm venue to be confirmed.

(Please note that planning meetings will only take place if there are any applications to discuss)

066/21 Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 25th May 2021 7:30 pm venue to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 21:15 hours

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