

LOWER BEEDING PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 22nd August 2023.
The meeting was held at Holy Trinity Church Rooms, Lower Beeding.**

Present: Cllrs Bamford (Chair), Mercer, Lillywhite.

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

The Chair began the meeting at 19:30 hours.

115/23 Apologies for absence: Cllrs Fitzpatrick, Allen, Scrase-Dickins, Smith.

116/23 Meetings attended by Councillors.

117/23 Report from District Councillor.

Cllr Livingstone reported the following:

- **Local Plan update** - HDC are holding a parish workshop to discuss the emerging plan. Focus on what it may mean for the future and surrounding areas. It will be held on Thursday 14 Sept – Venue is the Drill Hall 10.30 to 12.30.
- **New Horsham Fire Station** – The new station is alongside the A24. There are facilities for operational crews and training.

118/23 Report from County Councillor.

Cllr Nagel was on vacation.

119/23 Public Adjournment

Jacqui Dunning (Lead Transport Working Party) reported that there was no activity in June.

120/23 Other matters arising which are not covered elsewhere on the agenda – The Clerk

The LBPC gave the latest updates on the following:

- **Stonehouse Farm (SF)**
Cllr Mercer gave an update on the current situation on the sale of SF. There will be a meeting in early September with Cllrs Mercer, Livingstone the Horsham Planning & Compliance Team. The meeting will be to discuss the future of SF and HDC's planning policy on what is supposed to be an agricultural site. Cllr Mercer will report back at the next PC meeting.
- **Cisswood House Hotel**
Cllr Smith reported via The Clerk that there were no changes in the situation at CHH.
- **Co-option of Councillor.**
The PC discussed and interviewed Mrs Annette Keen on her prospective application to join the LBPC. The LBPC unanimously approved the co-option of Cllr Keen to the LBPC.
Proposed by: Cllr Bamford Seconded by: Cllr Lillywhite
- The Chair encouraged the Council to think and propose some ideas for use of the unspent 106 and CIL funds. The Clerk outlined the funds that are available and the

121/23 Chair's announcements.

The Chair made no further comments.

122/23 Accounts status as at end of August 2023.

Date	Accounts – July & August 2023	AMOUNT £
Balance at 27th June 2023		
	Treasurers Account - Balance	£48,304.21
	Business Account - Balance	£10,291.47
	32 Day Notice Account	£10,067.11
28-Jun	Charlie Joyce June maintenance + expenses	£406.48
28-Jun	Clerk Expenses - June	£39.56
28-Jun	Clerk Salary - June	£1,225.62
02-Jul	HMRC 1Q payment NI and PAYE	£983.76
17-Jul	MAS Networks	£104.39
31-Jul	Playsafety Ltd - playground audit	£102.60
31-Jul	Charlie Joyce July maintenance + expenses	£271.40
31-Jul	Clerk Salary - July	£1,119.76
31-Jul	Clerk Expenses - July	£15.59
01-Aug	Clr Mercer expenses	£25.00
16-Aug	MAS Networks	£104.39
	Total Costs	£3,992.07
	Business Account	
10-Jul	Interest	£6.99
09-Aug	Interest	£7.62
	32 Day Notice Account	
29-Jun	Interest	£17.75
29-Jul	Interest	£18.88
Balances at 22nd August 2023		
	Treasurers Account - Balance	£43,905.64
	Business Account - Balance	£10,306.08
	32 Day Notice Account	£10,103.74

123/23 Outstanding payments

Date	Outstanding Payments	
	Clerk Salary	£1,100.00
	Clerk Expenses	£240.00

Date of the next meetings:

124/23 Planning Meetings –Tuesday 12th September 2023 at 7:30 pm to be held in the Church Rooms Holy Trinity Church, Lower Beeding

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

125/23 Parish Council Meeting – Tuesday 26th September 2023 at 7:30 pm to be held in the Church Rooms Holy Trinity Church, Lower Beeding.

The meeting closed at 20:20 hrs

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