



# BENWICK PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk: Mrs J S RICHARDSON

## To Members of the Council

31<sup>st</sup> May 2017

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of Benwick Parish Council at the Village Hall, 62 High Street, Benwick PE15 0XA for the purpose of transacting the following business.

**On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7.30 p.m.**

Members of the public and press are invited to address the Council at its Public Time from 7.35 p.m. to 7.50 p.m.

Yours truly

Mrs J S Richardson  
Clerk/Proper Officer

## AGENDA

All Members are reminded that they need to declare any pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests before an item is discussed at this meeting under the Localism Act 2011.

A resolution under section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the special confidential nature of the business to be transacted must be proposed if any item should be discussed in Committee.

**PLEASE NOTE ALL MEETINGS WILL BE RECORDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ASSISTANCE OF MINUTE TAKING ONLY.**

**024/17-18 Apologies for Absence:**

**025/17-18 Declarations of Interest**

- a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interest
- b) Non-Pecuniary Interest
- c) Sensitive Pecuniary Interest

**026/17-18 Public Time**

**027/17-18 Confirmation of Minutes**

To sign and approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017

**028/17-18 Matters Arising (for information only)**

Willow tree overhanging footpath by river on Nene Parade reported on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

Contacted FDC re the removal of trees between the old and current cemeteries on 12<sup>th</sup> May

2017. Reply received "*They are rotten and dangerous, we have felled a few of them but had to stop due to birds nesting and young birds. We will provide some new trees next winter.*"

**029/17-18 Co-Option of Councillors**

To discuss and agree on the Co-Option of Councillors to fill 3 vacancies

**030/17-18 Police Report**

To report on Police activity

**031/17-18 Village Sign**

To agree cleaning of village sign at a cost of £10

**032/17-18 Play Park:** Update on current position, including official opening arrangements and attendance

**033/17-18 County & District Councillors Reports**

Reports from Cllrs Butcher, Connor and Miscandlon

**034/17-18 The Pound:** Update on current situation regarding placement of a storage container. To update on investigations on fencing options at front of The Pound and Village Hall

**035/17-18 Income & Expenditure**

a) Members to consider and approve the following accounts for payment

C Owen	Cemetery & Pound Maintenance	£288.75
CGM Landscapes	Verge Cutting	£70.08
Anglian Water (dd)	Water Rates	£19.00
J Richardson	Admin – 28/05/17	£289.85

	J Richardson	Expenses (reimbursement)	£199.34
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£867.02</b>
		b) Clerk to report on the May Bank Balances and reconciliation statement	
<b>036/17-18</b>		<b>Audit 2016/17</b>	
		a) Update on audit process	
<b>037/17-18</b>		<b>Equal Opportunities Policy</b>	
		To discuss and agree changes to Equal Opportunities Policy to include Service Users	
<b>038/17-18</b>		<b>Cemetery/Mooring Cemetery</b>	
		a) To discuss complaints received regarding the grass cutting in the cemetery	
<b>039/17-18</b>		<b>Planning Application</b>	
		F/YR17/0348/O Erection of up to 2no dwellings (outline application with all matters reserved) Land East And West Of 29 Doddington Road Benwick Cambridgeshire	
<b>040/17-18</b>		<b>Street Lighting</b>	
		Update on street lighting issues contained in letter from FDC	
<b>041/17-18</b>		<b>Grass Cutting</b>	
		a) Update on CCC grant for grass cutting	
		b) To discuss and agree a request to include White Hart Drive on future grass cutting contract	
<b>042/17-18</b>		<b>War Memorial</b>	
		To discuss the cleaning of the War Memorial and surrounding area	
<b>043/17-18</b>		<b>Correspondence</b>	
		a) Rural Services Network Bulletins (emailed 08/05/17, 12/05/17, 18/05/17, 22/05/17, 29/05/17, 30/05/17)	
		b) NALC Newsletter (emailed 12/05/17)	
		c) News From The Police And Crime Commissioner 09/05/2017 (emailed 12/05/17)	
		d) New Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Whittlesey (emailed 12/05/17)	
		e) New Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Chatteris (emailed 12/05/17)	
		f) CPRE News (emailed 12/05/17)	
		g) Benwick In Bloom The Bridge Benwick (emailed 12/05/17)	
		h) Mayor of Whittlesey Civic Service and Charity Dinner dates (emailed 18/05/17)	
		i) NALC Chief Executive's Bulletin 18 -12 May 2017 (emailed 18/05/17)	
		j) NALC Newsletter - 17 May 2017 (emailed 18/05/17)	
		k) CCC 2017/18 TDP Structures Schemes within Fenland and East Cambridgeshire (emailed 22/05/17)	
		l) Cambs Acre Rural Housing Tour (emailed 29/05/17)	
		m) Armed Forces Day: flag flying (emailed 29/05/17)	
<b>044/17-18</b>		<b>Motion to Exclude Press and Public</b>	
		<b>a) Allotments</b>	
		To discuss quotes received and agree and issue contract	
		<b>b) Cemetery Paths</b>	
		To discuss tenders received and agree and issue contract	
<b>045/17-18</b>		<b>Agenda Items/Next Meeting</b>	
		The date of the next Parish Council Meeting will be Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2017. Items to be included on Agenda should be with the Clerk by Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2017	