

BENWICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Benwick Parish Council meeting on Monday 5th December 2022 at the village hall

Present		Chairman), A Cade, R Taylor, R Few, R Emmitt, Clerk R Ro	binson and	
176/22-23	eight members of	the public sence Cllrs M Chapman, R Smith and A Miscandlon (FDC)		
177/22-23	Declarations of In			
		eclare any interests in respect of any item to be discus	sed at this	
	meeting:-	andadanada Diadaaabla Daawian Jatawat in itawa 101/0	2.00	
1=0/00 00		oor declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in item 191/2	2-23	
178/22-23	PUBLIC TIME			
		and dog faeces on the pavements are increasing. Especia	illy in Old	
		High Street and Whittlesey Rd. See agenda item below.		
		he Benwick Village Hall Committee (BVHC) offered to talk		
		SVHC meeting, which has been circulated to Cllrs by the Cl	erk. See	
	under the agenda			
		n Doddington Rd has snapped off. A sheet was placed ove		. .
		the wind. Clerk to report to Highways at CCC and to ask the		Clerk
		ing placed over the village gates in future. A member of the	public	
		epairing, Clerk to liase with Highways.		
179/22-23	Confirmation of			
		y Cllr Keppel-Spoor and AGREED to approve and sign the	Minutes of	Agreed
		ng held on 22 nd November 2022		
180/22-23	Matters Arising n	one		
181/22-23	The Pound			
		d Taylor have met with a fabricator and Benwick in Bloom		
		the Pound which will incorporate the metal animal cut-out		
		r this if the Council approves it. Also getting a quote for two		Clerk
		at the Parish Council's expense. Keep on the agenda to dis		
		ere. Fabricator also looked at the frame on the War Memor	ial – put	Clerk
	this on the agenda			
182/22-23		t Councillors Reports none		
183/22-23	Donations			
		y Cllr Cade, seconded by Cllr Few and AGREED to make t		Agreed
		e donations according to our Donation Policy that will bene	fit the local	
	community:-			
	£50 to MAGPAS A			
		n Bloom (Benwick Street Pride Volunteer Group)	!!	Ola de
404/00.00		ques for sending according to the timetable in the donation	s policy	Clerk
184/22-23	Defibrillators	Clin Kannal Charactered ACDEED to write a share for CO	400 this	Aanaad
		y Cllr Keppel-Spoor and AGREED to write a cheque for £2		Agreed
	<u> </u>	to London Hearts in payment for two defibrillators, unlocke		Clerk
	delivery. Clerk to a	ery. Cllrs who are providing the electricity for the defibrillate	ors to take	Clirs Cade and Taylor
185/22-23		fic calming no bid this year		and rayion
186/22-23		ibitat initiatives no progress since last month		
187/22-23		erk is sending our agendas to the Police as they may be ab	le to attend	Clerk
101122223	a Council meeting		io io alienu	Olei K
188/22-23	Dog fouling	at some point.		
100/22-23		litter bin has been installed on Doddington Road. It was Pr	onosed by	Agreed
		and AGREED to suggest two possible sites for the second		Agreeu
		of Ramsey Rd at the top end of the High Street and the op		Clerk
		containsely Rd at the top end of the riight street and the op-	posite side	Olei K
189/22-23	Income & Expend			
103/22-23		d by Cllr Keppel-Spoor and AGREED to approve the follow	ina	Agreed
	accounts for paym		ıı ıy	Agreeu
	Npower	Electricity October DD paid 17/11/2022 (inc. VAT)	£93.49	
	LINDOMEI		233.48	
	'	Siin-total bro-alithoricad by Colincil and baid diffina		
		Sub-total pre-authorised by Council and paid during	£03 \10	
		November	£93.49	
	HHA Grounds Maint.		£93.49 £365.16	

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	R Robinson	Expenses & salary	£619.00	
	London Hearts	Two defibrillators and cabinets plus delivery	£2406.00	
		Subtotal to authorise for payment now	£3390.16	
		TOTAL	£3483.65	
	b) Clerk's report o	n the November Bank Balances and reconciliation statem	ent is at	
	appendix 1			
	c) It was Proposed	d by Cllr Keppel-Spoor and AGREED to form a working gr	roup of the	Agreed
		consider the budget. Working group will prepare the budge		
		kt ordinary Council meeting in January. Clerk to arrange a		Clerk
		ay 12 th December in the evening.		
190/22-23		ask Cllr Chapman and Cllr Miscandlon how matters relat	ina to 1 Hiah	Clerk
	Street are progres	•		
191/22-23		eppel-Spoor took no part in this agenda item.		
100		y Cllr Few and AGREED that Cllr Cade by elected Chairn	nan of the	Agreed
	meeting for this ite			3.000
		he Benwick Village Hall Committee (BVHC) was invited to	o speak as	
		n the Council of the situation.	o op can ac	
		ne community have come forward to run the Village Hall (VH) They	
		neeting. He is confident that the VH will now thrive. His re		
	•	VH has been circulated to Cllrs by the Clerk.	port orr	
		asurer has been in touch and steps are being taken to cha	ange the	
	signatories on the		ingo ino	
		e from the school will remain for the next 18 months. Last	t vear that	
		Other income is increasing, last month it was about £400		
		out £7,400 per annum in fixed charges. Work is ongoing to		
		Insurance has been reduced from £1800 this year to £90.		
		spection cost can be reduced. Overall reductions could be		
	per annum of cost		5 up 25,000	
		marketing program to achieve a minimum of £125 per we	ak which	
		of £6,000 per annum. His target would be £300 per week		
	hours of hall hire.	of 20,000 per armam. This target would be 2500 per week	WINCII IS 13	
		ent account. Checking to see if there is another account.		
		bout longevity of the governance and proposes that the F	Parish	
		r as sole trustee and gives an indication that we would su		
		led in transition that would be advantageous in providing a		
		ed that a grant for LED lighting could be obtained from lo		
	windfarms.	but that a grant for EED lighting obtained from lot	Jai	
		an electrician coming to look at the solar panels, electricit	v is not as	
		been thought. Design of safety lighting is to be on 24 hou		
		RE for a quicker response on discussing a consultation in		Clerk
		200 signatures on a petition in favour of the VH.	Title village.	Olcik
		ested a meeting with the headteacher regarding the hours	used and	
		school and are working to improve the ability to let the hal		
		ising the situation with the school including knowing wher		
		re precisely and not allowing them to block off other users		
	not use the hall.	o productly and not allowing them to block on other users	, and thell	
		y Cllr Cade and AGREED to assist the VH if it gets into fi	nancial	Agreed
		t we will start the process of becoming sole trustee of the		Agreed
		t to become members of ACRE		
192/22-23		Cllr Keppel-Spoor resumed as Chairman		
132122-23		Network, Bulletin (email 8/11/2022, 15/11/2022, 22/11/20	22	
	29/11/2022, 1/11/2		 ,	
		ases (email 3/11/2022, 4/11/2022, 14/11/2022, 25/11/202	22	
		ember services (email 7/11/2022, 17/10/2022, 23/11/2022)		
		ail 4/11/2022) Agendas (email 28/11/2022)	., i iecepi	
		al Meeting (email 10/11/2022) Bulletin (email 16/11/2022)) Courses	
	(email 14/11/2022		Ourses	
) ecutive's Bulletin (email 4/11/2022, 11/11/2022, 25/11/20	22)	
		2/11/2022, 9/11/2022, 16/11/2022, 23/11/2022) Events (e		
			man	
		gy rebate scheme (email 10/11/022)		
		C Incident Report October (email 2/11/2022)		
		etter (email 9/11/2022) warnings (email 3/11/2022)		
		idge partnership - Consultation (emailed 23/11/2022)		
	in) CCC – Cambrid	dgeshire matters (email /9/2022, 31/10/2022) Queen's Aw	ard for	
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		vice Volunteers (email 2/11/2022) HAF (email 8/11/2022)		

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	i) Combined authority – Update – (email /10/2022) Renewable fuels consultation (email 9/11/2022)	
	j) ACRE Prosperity fund (email 9/11/2022)	
	k) Benwick in Bloom – Pound (email 8/11/2022)	
	no comments	
193/22-23	Education/NALC events evening events would suit most Cllrs better and the price of	
	£51.69 seems expensive to learn about public consultation	
194/22-23	Agenda Items/Next Meeting - Next Parish Council meeting to be Monday 9th January	
	2023. Items to be included on agenda should be with the Clerk by Monday 2 nd January	
	2023	

Meeting ended at 20.20

Appendix 1

Bank Reconciliation					Financial Year ending 31 March 2023
Benwick Parish Council					
Prepared by Richard Rob	ninson (Clerk & RFO)				
Date	01/12/202	22			
Approved by		· -	Chair		
Date	05/12/202	22			
Balance per bank state	ments as at	30/11/2022		£	£
Current Account				63,916.57	
NS&I				0.00	
					63,916.57
Less: Unpresented Chec	ues				
Cheque Number	amount		2821	364.82	
					364.82
Add: Any unbanked cast	h in transit				
					0.00
Net bank balances as a	t 30/11/2022				63,551.75
The net balances recond	ile to the Cash Book,	as follows:-			
Opening Balance				58,386.51	
Add: Receipts to date			•	18,567.73	
Less: Payments to date				13,402.49	
Closing Balance				63,551.75	

Earmarked Reserves: Parish Plan £532.89 Verge Planting £1,067.13 Cemetery Extension £6,604.17 Street Lighting £9,875.62 Jubilee Celebrations £0.00 £1,550.00 The Pound Village Sign War Memorial £1,000.00 £6,000.00 Mooring £7,961.16

Allotments £2,191.35

General Reserve

£2,191.35 £26,769.43 E M TOTAL £36,782.32