

**MINUTES**  
**BEAN PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.00 pm at**  
**Bean Village Hall**

Members noted that the guillotine would be in operation and that the meeting would close before 9.00 pm.

Members noted that following a resolution passed at the October 2010 Meeting, Item 7, and in accordance with Standing Orders 12a the Minutes of the previous meeting would be taken as read. Prior to the Meeting the Chair drew attention to the protocol regarding the audio and visual recording of the Meeting or of any part thereof.

Present: Cllr. C Bates Cllr. K Burgin, Cllr. K Impiazzi  
 Cllr. A Munday (arrived 7.40pm), Cllr. S Weeks, Cllr. D Wood.

There were no members of the public present.

	<b>Agenda Item</b>	
<b>1.</b>	<b><u>Apologies for absence</u></b> Were received and accepted from Cllr. Hammock who was attending DBC Licensing Committee.	
<b>2.</b>	<b><u>Declaration of Pecuniary Interests pertaining to this agenda</u></b> None	
<b>3.</b>	<b><u>Minutes</u></b> Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> <b>That the Minutes of the Parish Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 be approved and adopted as a true record.</b>  CONFIDENTIAL Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 that they be received as a true and complete record and that the resolutions contained therein be deemed to be the resolutions of the Council.  <b>RESOLVED:</b> <b>That the CONFIDENTIAL Minutes of the Parish Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 be approved and adopted as a true record.</b>	
<b>4.</b>	<b><u>Matters Arising</u></b> Members discussed the implications of the recent outbreak of Covid-19 and it was agreed that the Council and members of the Council, through their Facebook accounts, should encourage folks to look out for their elderly and vulnerable neighbours and ensure that they have sufficient food and supplies.	

5.	<p><b><u>Community Warden</u></b> No matters to consider relating to Warden provision.</p>	
6.	<p><b><u>Correspondence</u></b> The following items of correspondence were noted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Rural Bulletin - 11 February 2020, 25 February 2020</li> <li>- The High Court has emphatically ruled in favour of the NHS in Kent and Medway over the decision to establish ‘hyper acute stroke units’ (HASUs) at Darent Valley Hospital, Maidstone Hospital and William Harvey Hospital</li> <li>- Request for a grant from Air Ambulance Kent Surrey Sussex.</li> </ul> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> <b>That a donation of £300 be made to the Air Ambulance.</b></p>	
7.	<p><b><u>KALC/SLCC/NALC</u></b> The following were NOTED</p> <p>7.1 NALC Chief Executive February Bulletins 7.2 KALC CEO Bulletin - Issue 5 - February 2020 7.3 February KALC News</p>	
8.	<p><b><u>Borough &amp; Parish Forum</u></b> There were no matters to consider.</p>	
9.	<p><b><u>Consultations/Training</u></b> 9.1 Lower Thames Crossing. Closing date 25 March 2020 <a href="http://lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/consultation-2020">lowerthamescrossing.co.uk/consultation-2020</a></p> <p><b>RESOLVED</b> <b>That the Clerk responds on behalf of the Parish Council to the Lower Thames Crossing Consultation.</b></p>	
10.	<p><b><u>GDPR</u></b> No matters to consider at date of publication</p>	
11.	<p><b><u>Kent Police</u></b> 11.1 Office of Kent’s Police and Crime Commissioner Spring Newsletter including information on precept was received and NOTED 11.2 The following Information received from our PCSO for February was NOTED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nuisance vehicle – Beacon Drive</li> <li>• Sus event – Watling Street</li> <li>• Fire – Beacon Drive</li> <li>• Vehicle crime – Beacon Drive</li> <li>• RTC non injury – A296</li> <li>• Tree blocking road – Shellbank Lane</li> <li>• Nuisance bikes – Bean Lane</li> <li>• Bad driving – Bean Lane</li> <li>• Suspicious – Cold calling</li> <li>• Nuisance driving – B296</li> <li>• Theft not recent – A296</li> </ul>	

- 2 x Nuisance bikes/quads – Bean Farm
- 11.3** CRAG report up to 2 March 2020.  
**11.4** North Kent Neighbourhood Watch newsletter  
**11.5** Bean Reported Crimes January 2020

Location On or near	Category	Outcome status
B255	Criminal damage and arson	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
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Bramble Avenue	Anti-social behaviour	
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Highcross Road	Public order	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
Page Close	Vehicle crime	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
Pedestrian Subway	Criminal damage and arson	Under investigation
School Lane	Vehicle crime	Investigation complete; no suspect identified
Turner Road	Anti-social behaviour	
Turner Road	Burglary	Investigation complete; no suspect identified

- 12.** **Planning**  
The following were NOTED  
**12.1** Weekly planning list from DBC  
**12.2** Weekly planning list from EDC

	<p>The following application was discussed</p> <p><b>12.3 20/00154/TPO</b>  Three Oaks  Southfleet Road  Bean  Kent  DA2 8BS</p> <p>Application to fell 1 No, Common Oak tree, 1 No. Field Maple tree and 1 No. Leyland Cypress tree subject to tree Preservation order No.20 1983</p> <p>NO OBJECTIONS</p> <p>The following has been APPROVED</p> <p><b>12.4 DA/20/00024/FUL</b>  Clisha Shellbank Lane Bean Kent  Demolition of existing side conservatory and erection of a single storey side extension</p>	
<b>13.</b>	<p><b><u>Ebbsfleet Development Corporation/Eastern Quarry</u></b>  No matters to consider.</p>	
<b>14.</b>	<p><b><u>Highways</u></b></p> <p><b>14.1 Update on response</b> from Highways to the Council's request for information on the process to apply for a 20pmh speed limit throughout the estate. Will be re-visited in the new financial year.</p> <p><b>14.2 Update on request to</b> Highways to quote for extending the verge bollards on Bean Hill down to the traffic island. Will be revisited in the new financial year.</p> <p><b>14.3</b> Joint Transportation Board, Tuesday 3 March 2020 was NOTED</p> <p><b>14.4 A2 Bean Junction improvemnets</b>  Response from Stephen Binkuweir on 5<sup>th</sup> March to query from Bean RA regarding the Decision following the Public Enquiry was NOTED as follows.  <i>We have not yet received the Secretary of State decision. Once we know the outcome, we will pass on this information to you and all other parties that have shown interest in the scheme to date.</i></p> <p><i>The Notice published on the 20 February 2020 in the local paper is to enable the planned works, should Secretary of State decision be received. We are not obliged to carry out any of the works described in the Notice, but we are required to give the public forewarning of what may occur.</i></p>	
<b>15.</b>	<p><b><u>Environmental Issues</u></b></p> <p><b>15.1</b> It was NOTED that the pond on the old Royal Oak site remains the property and responsibility of the developer, Mayfair Construction, and is currently supporting large amounts of frog spawn and 2 ducks.</p>	
<b>16.</b>	<p><b><u>Footpaths</u></b></p> <p><b>16.1</b> Dog poo bag dispensers  It was agreed that dispensers be sited at the following locations:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Each end of DR22, High Street – Drudgeon Way (2)</li> <li>- Each end of the The Mount footpath DR23 and at entrances from Beacon Drive (6)</li> <li>- School Lane on the bend and near to the School (2)</li> <li>- Beacon Woods – 2 in the car-park, one at the pedestrian entrance opposite the shop (3)</li> </ul> <p><b>16.2</b> Tree work on DR22, High Street – Drudgeon Way will take place 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020.</p>	
<b>17.</b>	<p><b><u>Beacon Woods</u></b></p> <p><b>17.1</b> Members were in receipt of the communications with Unlimited Education. The Council fully supports activities encouraging young people to visit the woods and for schools and charitable organisations who run Forest Schools or similar the Council have previously agreed that there would be no charge. The supporting documentation provided by Unlimited Education which included detailed risk assessments was accepted but as the company involved was a business it was RESOLVED that a minimum charge of £30 per activity day be requested and made payable to FoBW.</p> <p><b>17.2</b> It was NOTED that Woods were closed again on Saturday and Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February due to high winds and rain from Storm Dennis.</p> <p><b>17.3</b> Tree inspection will take place at the beginning of April. The Woodland Track remains closed to the public.</p> <p><b>17.4</b> Repairs to steps and handrails. The Clerk was instructed to liaise between FoBW and the Parish Handyman to draw up a list of rolling repairs to, and installation of, steps and handrails.</p> <p><b>17.5</b> No response received to date from Tarmac to the Council’s request to discuss the renewal of the lease for Beacon Woods.</p>	
<b>18.</b>	<p><b><u>Recreation Facilities</u></b></p> <p><b>18.1</b> Tennis Table scheduled to be installed Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020</p>	
<b>19.</b>	<p><b><u>Bean Village Hall</u></b></p> <p><b>19.1</b> Front planters have now been installed.</p> <p><b>19.2</b> Christmas Decorations - ongoing</p> <p><b>19.3</b> Update on flag pole – planning application to be submitted</p>	
<b>20.</b>	<p><b><u>Allotment Association</u></b></p> <p>No matters to consider.</p>	
<b>21.</b>	<p><b><u>Residents’ Association</u></b></p> <p><b>21.1</b> The draft Minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 were NOTED</p> <p><b>21.2</b> Members received a report on the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020</p>	
<b>22.</b>	<p><b><u>Spirit’s Rest</u></b></p> <p>The lease for the new premises has been received and approved and will be signed and witnessed by solicitors.</p>	
<b>23.</b>	<p><b><u>Finance</u></b></p> <p><b>23.1</b> <u>Income/Expenditure to 3 March 2020</u></p>	

**Income**

<b>Date</b>		<b>Amount</b>
		0.00

**Expenditure****By BACS transfer**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Payee</b>		<b>Amount</b>
24/1/20	Castle Water	Water charge BW	1.78
11/2/20	Appt. Bus	Photocopier	35.45
21/02/20	J. Becket	Barrier tape for BW	20.09
21/02/20	Wrotham Computer	Upgrade to Windows 10 and clean-up of parish laptop	99.00
21/2/20	Parish Handyman Fund held by SAH&H PC	Transfer of 2019-20 funds	6000.00
2/3/20	Comm. Serv	Rec. grass cutting	151.08
2/3/20	Castle Water	Water charge BW	1.73
2/3/20		Admin charges	664.75
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,973.88</b>

**23.2** The following items were considered for payment

**23.2.1 By Cheque**

201638	W. Kirby - litter picking	42.64
201639	W. Kirby – litter picking	18.62

**23.2.2 By BACS**

Mrs Becket, Feb - March expenses	54.37
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**115.63**

**RESOLVED**

**That payments itemised in 23.2.1 and 23.2.2 totalling £115.63 be paid.**

**23.3 Balance on all accounts as at 3 March 2020**

Current Account	7,088.18
Reserve Account	16,149.02
Petty Cash	75.49

**23.4 Hall Accounts as at 3 March 2020****23.4.1 Balance on accounts**

Balance No. 2 account	5,022.02
Petty Cash	203.76

**23.5. The following cheque was APPROVED**

100046 Cash	£150.00
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**24. Items of interest**

**24.1** Chairs Items - None

**24.2** Borough Councillor's Items - None

	<b>24.3</b> Clerks Items - None <b>24.4</b> Members Items - None	
25.	<u><b>Questions from the Public</b></u> None	
26.	<u><b>Next Meeting</b></u> Will be held on Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 7.30pm. This will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting which will be held at 7pm.	

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.30pm

Chair.....

Dated.....