

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE BEONNA ON MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024 at 7.00 pm.

### PRESENT:

Parish Councillors K Pinner (Chairman), G Gostelow and J Grant  
Lincolnshire County Councillor P Skinner  
Mrs J Barnes (Clerk)

- 1 **APOLOGIES** were received from Parish Councillor B Holland and Boston Borough Councillors P Bedford and D Broughton.
- 2 **MINUTES**  
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024 having been previously circulated were approved and signed by the Chairman.
- 3 **MATTERS ARISING**
  - 3.1 **Remembrance** - Councillor Pinner reported that he had laid the Parish Council Wreath at the Sunday service at The Beonna and it was stated that Mike Cottingham had laid the wreath on Remembrance Day at Butterwick Church on behalf of Benington.
  - 3.2 **Old Village Map** - It was noted that the map had now been framed, and hung in The Beonna. The map being c1820. Numerous positive comments had already been received. This would be added to the Council Asset Register and Insurance.
- 4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**  
Both Councillors Gostelow and Grant declared an interest in 5.2 as they are neighbours to the applicant.
- 5 **PLANNING**
  - 5.1 B/24/0250 - The application for proposed replacement window on first floor from elevation and ground floor rear elevation at 4 Bede House, Main Road, Benington for the Porrill & Cowell Trust had been granted.
  - 5.2 B/24/0449 - The application for proposed first floor rear dormer extension at Plum Cottage, Davids Lane for Miss E Jonsen was discussed. No objections.
- 6 **PARISH MATTERS**
  - 6.1 **Highways** - It was reported that Councillor Broughton had again reported the potholes and sides of the road in Davids Lane, with the response from Lincolnshire County Council that it was being investigated.  
  
It was noted that the road outside Chanson Lodge on Davids Lane was always flooding, Councillor Skinner to further report. The gutters and gully at the main road end of Davids Lane were also getting blocked.  
  
Councillor Grant stated he had reported several further issues.
  - 6.2 **Playing Field** - Councillor Pinner reported that he was having negotiations regarding getting the dyke cut and the nettle patch.

6.2<sup>1</sup> **Play Equipment Fencing** - Enquiries regarding funding were still being made.

6.2<sup>2</sup> **Playing Field Usage** - It was reported that the British School of Sport had now paid a £100 bond to the Parish Council, and a further meeting with Councillor Pinner would take place.

6.3 **Village Sign** - Councillor Grant gave details of the double sided-sign and brick/concrete base he had discussed with Mark Skipworth of Old Leake.

It was reported that Lincolnshire Highways had no problems, but a meeting was to be arranged with Lincs Road Safety Partnership. Left with Councillors Grant and Pinner and Lincolnshire County Councillor P Skinner.

Councillor Pinner proposed, Councillor Gostelow seconded, and it was agreed that the quotation of £2780 plus VAT would be accepted pending permission.

Thanks were recorded to Councillor Grant for his work.

## 7 **CORRESPONDENCE**

7.1 Numerous emails including those from Boston Borough Council, Lincolnshire County Council and LALC, had been forwarded to all councillors.

## 8 **FINANCE**

8.1 The clerk presented the up-to-date accounts, and the precept spending to date.

It was noted that a further account for Blackamore's for grass cutting had been authorised by the chairman between meetings, along with the £169.57 (including VAT) account for the defibrillator parts, and the £400 account for the framing of the map.

8.2 The following payments were authorised for payment

	<b>Amount</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Payment Method</b>
Hire of Beonna	£36.00	£6.00	BACS
Boston Borough Council – lottery	£20.00		BACS
I Partridge (litter)	£100.00		BACS
J Barnes (salary and expenses)	£960.00		BACS
Bricklayers (authorised)			

8.3 Information had been received that the Council Treasurers' Account would be changing to a Community Account from the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025 with a Maintenance Fee of £4.25 per month and other day to day banking charges.

## 9 **NEXT MEETING**

9.1 The next meeting was arranged for 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025, at the Beonna at 7.00 pm, which would be the Precept meeting.

9.2 The December meeting/meal had been arranged for Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December at The Bricklayers, 6.45 pm for 7.00pm.

## **10 FURTHER BUSINESS**

- 10.1 It was noted that a further Parish Liaison meeting was to be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025.
- 10.2 Comments had been received from the Litter Picker regarding no Litter Bin near the Bus Stop/next to the Dancing Studio. Councillor Pinner stated he would investigate.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked those in attendance and closed the meeting at 7.55 pm,

Signed:

(Chairman)

13<sup>th</sup> January 2025