

Minutes of the Beeford Parish Council Quorum Meeting

On Monday 13th July 2020 at 7.00 pm
At St Leonard's Church Reading Rooms

Present: Chairman Keith McCloud,
Councillors Hazel Adamson, Brian Jackson, Rosalind Turner,
Clerk to Parish Council Anne McCloud
Due to Government Guidelines in relation to Covid 19 no members of the Public attended.

The Clerk carried out a risk assessment before the meeting and all reasonable measures were taken in relation to attendance numbers and social distancing requirements for the Parish Council to hold a face to face meeting.

1. Leave of Absence:

Vice Chairman Alan Turner, Clark Robson, Ian Sawyer, Barbara Smithson, John Sowersby, Colin Wilburn

2. Declaration of Interest - No declarations of interest were made.

3. To accept minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2020

Proposed: - Cllr Jackson

Seconded:- Cllr Adamson

All Agreed

4. Matters arising

a. The Chairman confirmed that Leave of Absence was granted to all Parish Councillors unable to attend meetings due to the Government Guidelines in relation to Covid 19. This agreement was made in April via remote confirmation by the Councillors. It was also agreed that delegated powers of duty be given to the Clerk in consultation with the Chair to ensure any business can continue to be transacted during this period. All Councillors have been and will continue to be kept updated by the Clerk via email.

Email received from Mathew Buckley, Head of Legal and Democratic Services, ERYCC dated 4th June 2020 advised that any arrangement for non-attendance of Parish Councillors should remain in place until May 2021 or until the Parish Council are fully satisfied that Parish Council meetings can resume back to face to face meetings with all Councillors present and in consideration of current government guidelines.

Proposed: - Cllr R Turner

Seconded: - Cllr Jackson

b. Regulations have been put into place removing the need for the Parish Council to hold its annual AGM until April/May 2021. Therefore, all appointments of Chair, Vice Chair, representatives and sub-committees will continue until the next annual general meeting.

Proposed Cllr Adamson

Seconded Cllr R Turner

c. Update was given by the Chair in relation to B.E.P.A.R.T. Since April 2020 over 1000 food parcels have been distributed on a weekly to Beeford residents in high risk groups/isolation. The final date for these deliveries will be w/e 31st July 2020. A full set of accounts will be produced at the next Parish Council meeting. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who helped with this initiative and donations received and especially the four volunteers who have helped almost every week with the parcel deliveries and would like to say thank you by way of awarding each of them a £25 M & S voucher.

Proposed: - Cllr McCloud

Seconded: - Cllr Jackson

All Agreed

We would also like to thank St Leonard's Church Rooms for allowing us to use the rooms for the storage of food and preparation, this has been our base for the last four months. The Chairman proposed that a donation in the sum of £300 be given to St Leonard's Church Rooms. Clerk to arrange.

Proposed: - Cllr Jackson

Seconded Cllr R Turner **All Agreed**

The Chairman also took the opportunity on behalf of the Parish Council to thank the Clerk for her commitment to the B.E.P.A.R.T Covid 19 project and her resourcefulness in obtaining financial funding from the Parish Council (LWFF) Hey Smile and Tesco Groundworks along with weekly contributions from Fareshare UK and goods supplied at cost from Londis Beeford. Without all this the project would not have been deemed to be a success.

5. Correspondence

a. Email received by Samantha McGivern in relation to Public Rights of Way Guidance which highlighted an increase of people using the public Rights of Way and a high number of cyclists using public footpaths, which is not permitted. A brief guide to public Rights of Way has been produced www.eastridingcoastandcountryside.co.uk this will be placed on the Parish Council Website.

b. ERYCC have produced a Three Steps to Safety Plan in relation to prevent the spread of Covid 19. Posters can be found in the Parish Council Notice Boards and on the Parish Council web site. Request a test [nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test](https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test) or call 119.

c. Email received from Reverend James Grainger-Smith asking for some financial assistance towards tree works that needs doing in the Churchyard and Pond Area. 13 trees in total. The Parish Council respectfully requested more information in relation to the trees in need of attention and along with further clarification regarding the landowner's responsibility and what/if they are making any contribution towards the required work. Clerk to forward an email.

6. Finance

a. Completed audited Year End Accounts were brought before the Councillors present for agreement and sign off by the Chairman. The Year End balance carried forward as at 31st March 2020 was £9,168.00.

Proposed: - Cllr Jackson

Seconded: - Cllr Adamson **All Agreed**

b. Schedule of Accounts approved and signed off by the Chairman and Cllr Jackson.

c. Yorkshire Bank will be closing their branch in Bridlington August 2020. Covid 19 has highlighted the need for the Parish Council to use Online Banking rather than the need for manual cheque signing. It was proposed that application process be followed to allow online banking to be administered by the Clerk being the Responsible Finance Officer.

Proposed: - Cllr. Jackson

Seconded Cllr. Adamson **All Agreed**

7. Planning - no updates

8. Children's Play Area

a. The Clerk recently made an application for funding on behalf of the Parish Council towards a new piece of equipment to replace the small slide in the Play Area. This application has been successful and a contribution of £7,000 has been agreed by the LWFF panel.

b. The Parish Councillors proposed Wicksteed out of the three quotations in place for the supply and installation of the new multi-play system known as Dinosaurs Domain Multi-Play.

Proposed: - Cllr R Turner

Seconded: - Cllr Adamson **All Agreed**

c. During Covid 19 the Park remained closed. The Park was continually maintained, and in preparation for reopening the equipment was power washed and inspected by Councillor Smithson. New signage being put in place by the Chairman along with him wiping down the equipment with anti-bacterial wipes in relation to Government Guidelines thereby ensuring the park was reopened on the 11th July 2020. The Parish Council reserve the right to close the Play Area should there be a second spike of Covid 19

9. Lissett Wind Farm

a. Cllr R Turner updated the Councillors in relation to this year's Lissett Wind Farm Fund grant towards. There were 25 applications totalling £133,962.71p. The successful applicants in Beeford were both the Parish Council and the Beeford Bowls Club who extended their thanks to the Lissett Wind Farm Panel via Councillor A Turner.

10. Crime

a. The Chairman gave an update as to local crime figures which have been relatively low.

11. Councillors updates

- a. The water pump on the A165 junction with Main Street has been re-painted.
- b. The Parish Council would like to thank Councillor Sawyer for his continued dedication in the upkeep of the flower beds.

**Date and time of next meeting is to be arranged in line with Government Guidelines
Councillors will be duly informed.**

There being no further discussion the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 pm.