

Bestwood Village Parish Council

Date: Tuesday 14th January 2020 at 7pm

Venue: St Mark's Church, Bestwood Village

Membership Councillors:

Portia Newling

Jack Ashworth

Dave Braithwaite

Marlene Gee

Ian Hart

Borough Councillors Cllr R Ellis & D Gibbons

County Councillor C Barnfather

Members of the public

Chair

Vice Chair

MINUTES

2020.001	Welcome by the Chairman <i>The Chairman welcomed the 14 visitors present and outlined the meetings procedure. Mr Andy Poxon gave the group an update on highways issues relating to the new housing development that is 60/40 county(Ashfield)/city land.</i>
2020.002	Silence to remember those who have passed <i>The Chairman led the meeting in reflection</i>
2020.003	To record the resignation of Cllr F Beckwith <i>Noted</i>
2020.004	To receive - Apologies for absence <i>None</i>
2020.005	Filling of two Casual Vacancies including; <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adoption of Councillor Cooption policy <i>It was resolved to amend the voting process to secret ballot.</i>• Councillor role description <i>It was resolved to leave as per current Appendix C</i>• Date of advertisement to be posted and closing date <i>21st January 2020, closing date subject to legalities or 14 days. Clerk to research</i>• Interview date/times for applicants <i>It was agreed that the Clerk will send the paperwork indicated in the policy to people who have already expressed an interest. An extraordinary meeting will be held at St Mark's church on Wednesday 5th February 7pm devoted to interviews and appointments</i>
2020.006	To receive and consider - Declarations of members' interests and dispensations from non-participation <i>None</i>
2020.007	To receive and approve - Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 th November 2019 <i>Amended the Introduction section bullet point starting "Part of the site" to Vehicular Access is poor to top side of site</i>

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	Amended 2019.136 to remove word "Yellow"
2020.008	To receive and note - Any update on actions arising from previous Parish Council decisions (not included elsewhere on the agenda) Updates were given. PN to contact Gedling regarding planning applications that do not appear to be notified to the Clerk while Bestwood (not village) are.
2020.009	To receive - Parishioners questions/statements (normal duration 15 minutes) Litterpick rubbish has not been collected and is increasing. JA to try to resolve. Traffic calming measures do not affect some of the wider chassis cars. Parking around the shop is problematic for residents. PN to follow up
2020.010	To receive - Reports from Parish, Borough and County Councillors Cllr Barnfather reported; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flooding at Goosedale – Site visit today has highlighted that it is the water running off from Goosedale side and ditches/culvert are not being cleared out by the landowner on both sides of the road. Notts CC made contact the some landowners and the work has been prioritised by Notts CC and VIA to do a long term fix. Thanks were given for his persistence. • Village sign – Developer has been made aware of the "Village" and will replace the signs • Village Gateway sign – Thinks it has been forgotten. If a location is agreed then the Parish Council can have it moved by their own contractor. Cllr Barnfather will pay for this (subject to final costing). Cllr Rachel Ellis reported; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flooding work has been excellent co-operation and thanked Cllr Barnfather for expediting it. • Road markings and repair seems to be making progress with the City • Litterbin at/around graveyard has been suggested after the recent survey and is being promoted. A final decision is expected very soon and we will be notified of result. • Dog Waste bin – all new bins will receive both litter and dog waste. Cllr Ashworth reported; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playground Inspections for Square and Country park (quarterly) identified braking system on zipwire and a pedal missing from exercise bikes. Both now resolved. • S106 – Issued a report to the Councillors on progression getting information from the Community Infrastructure Levy Officer with the help of Cllr Rachel Ellis. He is concerned about the lack of involvement that the Parish Council has and asked Cllr Ellis to help establish this link. Cllr Newling reported; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still to follow up pavement around the shops with Borough Cllrs and local resident
2020.011	To receive, consider and approve the following; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Invoices for payment per list It was resolved to pay items from 38 to 52 in the cash book and the list signed b) Donation to be made to RBL; Local or National appeal fund It was resolved to send payment to National campaign c) Items for inclusion for 2020/21 budget (to be presented at February meeting) Cllrs to let Clerk know of any items in next seven days d) Bank account summary (will be distributed at the meeting to be up to date)

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	<i>Agreed and signed</i>
2020.012	<p>To note;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Letter from GBC confirming that the former Hawthorne Primary School, School Walk has been accepted as an Asset of Community Value <i>Noted</i> b) Letter from GBC regarding bullying in public roles <i>Noted</i> c) E-mail from NALC regarding Strengthening of police powers to tackle unauthorised encampments <i>Noted</i> d) E-mail from Ashfield DC regarding Consultation on the sustainability appraisal scoping report <i>Noted and Cllrs to look at contents if they wish</i>
2020.013	<p>To receive reports from Councillors and discuss;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Hawthorne School working group <i>PN gave apologies for breakdown in communications over Christmas. Working group is working on consultations and these have started. Extension to the close date has been achieved and is now after the Easter holidays. Also chasing County officers for information needed. Business plan needs to be produced. At the moment the "Top" site is being prioritised and a report will be brought to the Parish Council</i> b) Lengthsman Scheme (Dec report attached) <i>Working well. Expect to have enough capacity to take us through to the end of the year.</i> c) Planning applications review <i>No additional report</i> d) Traffic Issues <i>JA confirmed that Kings Park have not had the Village Handbook</i> e) Moor Road Flooding <i>No additional report</i> f) Progressing the village plan <i>Cllrs have the latest copy. JA IH MG PN will update for February meeting</i> g) Creating a Mission Statement to inform the community of our purpose and priorities and help with decision making, for example <i>"This parish council wishes to support its local community in dealing with local authorities; bringing services into the village; helping to resource local groups and facilities; informing and influencing local development (while having limited powers in this area)"</i> <i>Cllrs invited to reflect for future consideration (and possibly include in the Village plan) A change to amend "Dealing with" to "Working with" was agreed</i> h) Adoption of Council Logo <i>Review at next meeting after close date</i> i) Buying a conference microphone to allow residents and Cllrs to hear better during meetings. <i>It was delegated to Cllrs Newling and Ashworth to spend up to £500 on a suitable system.</i> j) Illegal waste being left in and around the village <i>Councillors are talking to Wardens, PCSO and other contacts to try and stop waste. Noted concern over fires and ASB. Cllr Ellis has spoken with the local police who are</i>

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	<p>aware of it.</p> <p>k) Grit bins; supply, maintenance and locations <i>It was delegated to Cllrs Newling and Ashworth to spend up to £700 on grit and bins and liaise with landowners regarding locations</i></p> <p>l) Planters <i>Defer to next meeting. Cllr Gee reported that some plants had been stolen.</i></p> <p>m) Anti-social behaviour <i>Already discussed</i></p> <p>n) Waste bins in Churchyard <i>It was resolved to fund public waste bin/collection at £7.50 per fortnight on land owned by St Mark's Church and to work with Cllr Ellis too. It was delegated to Cllrs Newling and Ashworth will organise</i></p>
2020.014	<p>To note – Date of next meeting –Tuesday 11th February at St Mark's church Bestwood village <i>Noted along with an extraordinary meeting at St Mark's church on Wednesday 5th February 7pm devoted to potential Councillor interviews and appointments</i></p>

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