Bestwood Village Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Action

Held at St. Mark's Church, School Walk, Bestwood Village on 8th May 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Membership Councillors:

Portia Newling Chair
Jack Ashworth Vice Chair

Frank Beckwith
Dave Braithewaite
Marlene Gee
Janis Pauley

A Sandra Stanford-Barclay

Councillors Absent are marked 'A'

Also in Attendance

Gary Long Locum Clerk to the Council
Alec Dubberley Gedling Borough Council
Chris Barnfather County Councillor

6 members of the public

2018/001 Acceptance of Office

The parish councillors present completed their Declarations of Office in the presence of the Proper Officer.

2018/002 Election of Chair for 2018/19

Alec Dubberley asked for nominations for Chair. Councillor Portia Newling was elected unopposed as Chair for 2018/19. Councillor Newling took the Chair.

2018/003 Election of Vice Chair for 2018/19

Councillor Jack Ashworth was elected unopposed as Chair for 2018/19.

2018/004 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Sandy Stanford-Barclay.

2018/005 Style and Title of Council

The style and title of the council was noted as 'Bestwood Village Parish Council'.

2018/006 Code of Conduct

The attached Code of Conduct was adopted in accordance with the Local Government Act 2000.

2018/007 Powers, Duties and Responsibilities

The attached powers, duties and responsibilities of the Parish Council were noted.

2018/008 Consideration of Planning Applications

One of the rights that the Parish Council has is to be consulted on all planning applications affecting the area.

Resolved:

 To inform Gedling Borough Council that the Parish Council wishes to be consulted on all planning applications affecting the area. Alec Dubberley volunteered to do this.

Alec Dubberley

2. To inform Ashfield District Council that the Parish Council wishes to be consulted as a neighbouring parish on all planning applications affecting the Moor Road, Oakleaf Close, Bowden Avenue, Langley Close, Mill Lane, Old Mill Close, and Millbank Place.

Clerk

2018/009 Appointment of Bank & Signatories

As a new body the parish council needs to open a new bank account. The Clerk reported on the details of 5 possible banks. These were considered.

Resolved:

1. To open a bank account with Unity Trust Bank.

Clerk

2. That the Clerk is set up as a nominated person who can do administration, receive information and set up (but not authorise) payments on-line.

Clerk

3. That all councillors are set up as signatories.

Clerk/ Councillors

4. Any 2 councillors to authorise payments and other transactions.

2018/010 Appointment of Clerk to the Parish Council

The roles and responsibilities that normally apply to parish clerks, as supplied by the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils, were noted.

Resolved: That Gary Long is appointed as Locum Clerk for a period of up to 6 months, during which time a permanent clerk will be appointed.

Clerk/ Councillors

2018/011 Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils

It was noted that the Parish Council in a member of the Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils until 31st March 2019.

2018/012 Meetings of the Parish Council

Resolved:

- The next meeting will be Tuesday 12th June, 7.30 p.m. at St. Mark's Church, School Walk, Bestwood Village.
- 2. The pattern, dates and venues of subsequent meetings will considered at that meeting.

2018/013 Annual Parish Meeting

The Chair announced that the Annual Parish Meeting would be held on 22nd May, 7.30 p.m. at St. Mark's Church.

2018/014 Parishioners questions/statements

The following issues were raised:

- · Young lads on off road vehicles.
- A badly maintained house on Moor Road.

2018/015 County/District Councillor Update

County Councillor Chris Barnfather updated those present regarding:

- The planning application for the new Bestwood Hawthorn Primary School had been approved.
- The mobile youth bus would be continued.
- Discussions regarding re-opening the Social Club are ongoing.
- Decisions regarding this round of LIS bids would be decided on 18th May, including 4 from the Bestwood Village area.
- Gedling Borough Council had decided to only provide parish councils with details of planning applications on-line. As a Borough Councillor he was challenging this to get agreement to supply parish councils with details on request – at no charge.

2018/016 Boundary with Ashfield District Council

The Chair reported on previous attempts to alter the boundary with Ashfield District Council (ADC) to include in Gedling Borough Council those houses in Bestwood Village that are currently in ADC.

This requires the agreement of both affected councils. Previously ADC had declined. It was agreed that, with a recent change in political control at ADC, it is a good time to raise the matter again. The Chair agreed to do this.

Chair

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There being no further items of business, the Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 8.41 p.m.