

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of **Beaworthy Parish Council** held at 1930 hours on **Thursday 18th July 2024** in Beaworthy Parish Hall.

Councillors present: Cllr Rendell (Chairman), Cllr Coleman, Cllr Johnstone, Cllr Higgins, Cllr Sanders

Also present: A. Braidwood (Clerk). Cllr T Southcott (WDBC)

1. **Chairman's welcome.** Cllr Rendell welcomed attendees to the meeting.
2. **Apologies for absence.** Cllr Wonnacott, (Cllr Mott WDBC)
3. **Public Forum –** No one spoke
4. **Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda –** Nil
5. **Minutes of the previous meeting.** It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on the **20th Jun 2024** were a true record and were signed by the Chairman.
6. **Clerk's report –** received. **Annex A**
7. **Planning.**

7.1 Appeal Q1153/W/24/3341365 – Application for the provision of a rural workers dwelling – Land at SX454999, Beaworthy. It was unanimously **RESOLVED** to submit the following representation to the Planning Inspectorate: 'This application is based on the need for a rural workers dwelling but there is no agricultural justification for a permanent residence as these pigeons are domestically reared for racing and not for consumption. Case law has defined 'livestock' as being domesticated animals raised in an agricultural setting to produce commodities such as food, fibre and eggs. Therefore, this is not classed as an agricultural enterprise. Additionally, the dwelling would be physically separate and remote from any sustainable housing area, and the large, 2 storey building, would be highly visible from the road and change the appearance of the country lane. The building is not in keeping with the area as it is modern and non-traditional. A previous appeal decision rejected the residential aspect of the application (a mobile home). A new dwelling in this location, in the open countryside, will mean a possible increase in traffic using the lane, both with visitors, inhabitants and deliveries. It is a single track lane and will necessitate use of car/s as there is no public transport, footpaths or street lighting'.

8. Councillors Reports – reports on meetings attended and matters brought to the attention of councillors.

- 8.1 Highways – received
- 8.2 Parish Hall – Received. Noted the BBQ to be held on 27th July from 5pm.
- 8.3 Crime commissioners – NTR
- 8.4 Northern Links – NTR

9. West Devon borough Council Update: Received

10. Finance:

- 10.1 The RFO presented the **Finance Report** and bank reconciliation to **28 Jun 24 (Annex B)**
- 10.2 It was proposed, seconded and unanimously **RESOLVED** to approve the grant application and award a payment of a grant of £75 to the Okehampton District Community Transport Group.

The Council **RESOLVED** to continue in **confidential session at 1950 hours**. Cllrs Southcott was invited to stay.

11. Enforcement – Updates received.

The confidential session closed at **2015** hours

12. Items for the agenda for next meeting

13. Date of next meeting – 19th Sept 2024

14. Meeting closed at: 2015 hours.

Annex A - Clerk Report - Jul 2024

Finance:

All the audit requirements regarding the publication of public rights to view the accounts have now ended with no requests.

Appraisal:

Forms are still outstanding – please can Councillors send these on to Cllr Sanders as soon as possible. Thank you.

Planning

No planning applications have been received and no decisions made for Beaworthy since our last meeting.

Resolutions - All resolutions from the June meeting have been actioned.

Outstanding issues are:

- Emergency plan meeting to be arranged.
- Clerks' appraisal meeting to be confirmed.
- Nat West complaint – partially completed
- MOU

Correspondence

All correspondence has been forwarded if relevant.

Annex B - Finance Report and Bank reconciliation 28 Jun 2024

Receipts

Total	Precept	Grant	Bank Interest	VAT Refund	Misc		
2,733.41	2,434.50	-	-	48.91	250.00	-	-

Payments

Total	Clerk's Salary	Grants and Donations	Admin and training	Office Costs	Insurance	Asset Maint	Election Costs	VAT
1,123.80	890.24	-	-	165.01	125.55	-	-	15.56

Bank Summary

Cashbook

		Current Acc
Balance at	01/04/24	4,959.31
Receipts	to date	2,733.41
Payments	to date	1,123.80
Balance at	28/06/24	6,568.92

Bank Reconciliation

Balance per statement **28 June 24**

Current Acc
6,568.92

Outstanding cheques

Chq No Amount

Total Outstanding cheques/DD

-
6,568.92

Difference

-

of which £3438.13 is reserves