

Bestwood Village Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Action

Held at St. Mark's Church, School Walk, Bestwood Village on 12th June 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Membership

Councillors:

Portia Newling

Chair

Jack Ashworth

Vice Chair

A Frank Beckwith

Dave Braithewaite

Marlene Gee

Janis Pauley

Sandra Stanford-Barclay

Councillor

Councillors Absent are marked 'A'

Also in Attendance

Gary Long Locum Clerk to the Council

4 members of
the public

2018/0017 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Frank Beckwith.

2018/018 Declarations of members' interests

There were no declarations of interest.

2018/019 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on the 8th May, 2018 were approved as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chair of the Council.

2018/020 Update on Actions

The Clerk reported that the opening of the bank account was in progress.

The Chair reported that the Locum Clerk had indicated he did not wish to continue long term and that Sue Stack (a previous locum clerk) had indicated she was interested in taking on the role. This would need to be an agenda item for the next meeting.

2018/021 Parishioners questions/statements

The following issues were raised:

- Heavy goods traffic on Moor road is getting worse. This creates problems, including noise as the vehicles go over the bumps.

- Yeoman Avenue and Lane Close are scheduled to be resurfaced by Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC). Do the Parish Council have any details? Answer: the Parish Council are not informed of road resurfacing by NCC.
- Litter outside Mayes rise. It was agreed to ask the Lengthsman to tackle this.

Chair

2018/022 Planning application

Planning application: 2014/0238 was considered. This was a revised application to remove the social housing as the development was not financially viable with these included. This resulted in a revised application for 101 market dwelling units on land west of Westhouse Farm, Moor Road.

Gedling Borough Council had referred the claim to the District Valuer who concluded that the development would not be financially viable with the social housing.

It was agreed not to object to the application and to make the following comments:

Clerk

Resolved:

1. Do not object to the application.
2. To make the following comments:
 1. The Parish Council wishes to encourage building the 'spine road' to the school as soon as possible to remove the need for access through Keepers Close, and
 2. The Parish Council notes the provision of a crossing point across Moor Road. The side of Moor Road opposite the development is currently grass verge. Are there any plans to pave this side?

2018/023 Financial matters

Various financial papers had previously been circulated and were considered:

1. Internal Audit Report Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18

The Internal Audit Report, attached, was noted.

Clerk

2. Annual Governance Statement Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18

The Annual Governance Statement Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18 was completed and signed.

Clerk

3. Annual Accounts Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18

The Annual Accounts for Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18, attached, were noted.

4. Annual Accounting Statements Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18

The Annual Accounting Statements for Bestwood St. Albans PC 2017/18 were confirmed and signed.

Clerk

5. Budget 2018/19

The 2018/19 budget for Bestwood Village Parish Council, attached, was agreed.

2018/024 Reports from Parish, Borough and County Councillors

Councillor Newling reported that the padlock on the notice board at the bottom of Park Road and Moor Road had jammed, making it impossible to keep tidy and up to date. This has now been resolved.

Councillor Stanford-Barclay had taken the consultation on the Draft Bestwood Village Plan to the residents of Kilarney Park. The Chair, Councillor Newling, agreed to add them to the plan.

Chair

2018/025 Zip wire and outdoor gym equipment on The Square

Councillor Ashworth explained that there had been some confusion regarding VAT and the grant applications for the Zip wire and outdoor gym equipment on The Square. The plan was to create an Earmarked Fund to support the maintenance of the equipment. This may not now be possible. In order to move the project forward the Parish Council may need to agree to cover these costs directly.

Resolved: The Parish Council takes on, if necessary, the financial cost of ongoing maintenance of the planned new equipment.

2018/026 New Councillor Training

The Clerk reported that he had held discussions with Notts ALC regarding training for new councillors.

Resolved: To hold a 'new councillor' training session, delivered by the Notts ALC, for the whole Council on 9th October at St. Mark's Church.

Clerk

2018/027 Meetings 2018/19

A paper outlining a possible pattern of meeting, with dates, had previously been circulated.

Resolved: To hold meetings on the dates and at the venues set out below.

2018/028 Planning application process

A paper outlining a suggested process for considering planning applications had previously been circulated.

Resolved: To adopt the process set out below.

Clerk

2018/029 Lengthsman process

A paper outlining a suggested process for submitting requests for the lengthsman had previously been circulated.

Resolved:

1. All requests will be made to the Chair, or in their absence, the Vice Chair, who will submit requests to Ravenshead Parish Council.
2. Requests will not be unreasonably refused.

All

2018/030 Draft Bestwood Village Plan

The draft Bestwood Village Plan had been considered at the Annual Parish Meeting and suggestions had been requested via Facebook. A draft had been circulated to all councillors.

Resolved:

1. To update the Plan with comments from Kilarney Park residents (see minute 2018/024 above). The Chair agreed to do this,
2. To add an aim regarding the future of use of the existing School building for community use, and
3. To adopt the updated Bestwood Village Plan and to start working to achieve the aims.

Chair

Clerk

All

2018/031 Date, time and location for the next Parish Council Meeting

Date.	Tuesday 11 th September, 2018
Time	7.30pm
Location	St. Mark's Church, School Walk, Bestwood Village.

There being no further items of business, the Chair thanked everyone for their contributions and closed the meeting at 9.25 p.m.

Dates for the remainder of 2018/19:

10th July 2018: *No planned meeting. Reserve date + cheque signing*

August: *NO MEETING*

11th September 2018: Parish Council Meeting. Venue: Bestwood Village.

9th October 2018: Training session. Venue: Bestwood Village.

13th November 2018: Parish Council Meeting. Venue: Kilarney Park.

December: *NO MEETING*

8th January 2019: Venue: Bestwood Village.

12th February 2019: *No planned meeting. Reserve date + cheque signing*

12th March 2019: Parish Council Meeting. Venue: Bestwood Village.

9th April 2019: Annual Parish Meeting. Venue 2019 : Kilarney Park, 2020 Bestwood Village. (Alternate years)

14th May 2019: Parish Council - Annual Meeting. Venue: Kilarney Park.

Planning Application Process

1. Planning application received by Clerk by e-mail.
2. Notification circulated to all councillors by e-mail.
3. Details of notification put up on notice boards. (Suggest comments made direct to GBC).
4. Councillor comments to Clerk for formal submission to GBC.
5. If conflicting comments are made the Chair and/or Vice Chair will decide BVPC's submission. Councillors will be notified.
6. If the application is of sufficient impact and/or controversy it will be brought to a Parish Council meeting. If necessary a special meeting may be called by the Chair, for example on a 'Reserved' date. The Clerk will seek, if needed, an extension in the response time.