

Minutes of the Belstone Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 30th May 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Meeting Room

Present: Ann Norman, Peter Cooper, Susan Norrish, Jon Pike, Elisabeth Emerson, Paul Boyce, Michael Ash with Clerk Robin Hill.

1. **Apologies:** None
2. **Election of Officers**
 - i. **Chairman:**
Michael Ash was proposed by Peter Cooper and seconded by Elisabeth Emerson. This was agreed unanimously.
 - ii. **Vice Chairman:**
Ann Norman was proposed by Jon Pike and seconded by Paul Boyce. This was agreed unanimously.
3. **Acceptance of Office Forms:**
Michael Ash and Ann Norman duly signed the acceptance of office forms.
4. **Representation on Other Bodies**
 - i. **Village Hall Committee:**
Susan Norrish was proposed by Ann Norman and seconded by Peter Cooper. This was agreed unanimously.
 - ii. **Eastern Parishes Links Committee:**
Elisabeth Emerson was proposed by Ann Norman and seconded by Jon Pike. This was agreed unanimously.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.40pm

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Present: Ann Norman, Susan Norrish, Peter Cooper, Jon Pike, Elisabeth Emerson, Paul Boyce, with Michael Ash in the Chair and clerk Robin Hill.

17. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** None.
18. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS** of 11th April and 18th April 2017, previously circulated were confirmed as a correct record and signed.
19. **MATTERS ARISING:** None
20. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None
21. **URGENT MATTERS RAISED BY THE CHAIRMAN:** None
22. **CORRESPONDENCE**
 - i. **Eastern Links** – next meeting Thursday 22nd June, Whiddon Down Village Hall
 - ii. **DNPA** – Workshop at Parke, Monday 12th June.
23. **CLERK'S REPORT**

Broadband for Skaigh: Superfast Broadband in Skaigh Lane is now up and running and several households are connected.

TAP Funding: A new round of funding is about to start.
24. **FINANCE:**
 - i. **Current state of finances and petty cash:** Current Account £1057.29. Reserve Account £1996.49 with Petty Cash in arrears of £1.12.

- ii. **Precept:** £885 received 21.04.17.
- iii. **Payments made:** DALC £61.64, Community First (Insurance) £186.43 as agreed at the last meeting.
- iv. **Payments to be made:** £20 Garden Gift Token for Simon Herbert, internal auditor. Proposed Ann Norman seconded Elisabeth Emerson. This was agreed unanimously.
- v. **Annual Governance Statement:** Acceptance was agreed unanimously. Proposed Paul Boyce seconded Jon Pike.
- vi. **Accounting Statements:** Acceptance was agreed unanimously. Proposed Susan Norrish seconded Jon Pike.
- vii. **Council Diary:** Checked and signed

25. PLANNING:

- i. Tree Preservation Order OS347 – consent has been given for this to be carried out.
- ii. Rew Meadow – The Clerk has contacted the Dartmoor National Park for clarification about work being carried out in the grounds.

26. HIGHWAYS:

- i. The clerk was asked to report the broken gate latch by the Tor Down cattle grid and blockage of major soak away on the left going up towards Well Park plus the ongoing problems with pot holes and culverts. We have a new local Highways Officer Darryl Jagger. The Clerk has been requested to invite him to visit the village as soon as possible to give advice about how best to deal with Belstone matters.

27. OTHER MATTERS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN:

- i. **Seats:** The Nockolds family have now placed a seat in the Pound.

28. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 11th July 2017

There being no further business the Chairman thanked members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.10pm

Signed Dated

Chairman