

BEETHAM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of Beetham Parish Council held at 7.00pm on Monday 3rd June 2019 at Beetham School.

Present were - Cllrs Brian Meakin (Chair), David Clark, David Crayston, Margaret Knowles, Bob Pickup (agenda item 9 onwards) and Steve Yates. Also District Cllrs Rupert Audland and Helen Chaffey, Parish Clerk John Scargill and Parish Steward Bill Haddow. No members of the public.

1.0 Apologies for absence – Cllrs Greifenberg, Pickup (for late arrival) and C Cllr Pete McSweeney.

2.0 The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 20 May 2019, had been circulated by email. These were **APPROVED** by the meeting and signed by Cllr Meakin.

3.0 Declarations of interest by members present in respect of items on this agenda – none.

4.0 Announcements by the Chair – none.

5.0 Matters arising from the minutes 20 May 2019 and not included elsewhere on the agenda.

5.1 Speed indicator (12.1) – the first batch of stored data in the SID had now been passed to Jessica Harvey for assessment.

5.2 Beetham defibrillator (12.2) – replacement equipment had now been ordered and would be delivered by the supplier on receipt of relevant documentation. Clerk to do.

5.3 Beetham flooding (12.3) – C Cllr McSweeney had asked Carol Last (CCC) for advice on how best to proceed with the formation of a community resilience group before progressing Linda Dean's expression of interest in this. Response awaited.

5.4 Carr Bank Road issues (12.4) – usual issues of traffic speeds on B5282 and Carr Bank Road.

5.5 Handrail at Burntbarrow/Shaw Green (12.5) – now installed and paid for, with funding from an anonymous resident already received. Problems with tree root intrusion breaking up path surface. Ownership of and responsibility for path remains uncertain, with C Cllr McSweeney to investigate.

5.6 Beetham Crematorium traffic problem (12.6) – continuing problems with traffic back-up on A6 in certain circumstances, Wednesday 22 May being a particularly severe example. As yet no feedback from Fishwicks re reaction of SLDC Planning to their request for extra on-site parking space provision. Cllr Yates to send latest (22 May) photographs to Fishwicks, asking for comment on this and their progress with SLDC.

5.7 Fairy Steps access signage (12.7) – Cllr Pickup. Ongoing.

5.8 Leighton Beck Road surface water (12.8) – currently awaiting Highways survey report.

5.9 Co-option of BPC members (12.10) - some lines of enquiry in both east and west wards to be followed up. **Agreed** – to advertise locally and place notice in BPC notice boards.

5.10 Convex mirror at B5282/Storth road junction (13.3) – generally agreed as a good idea, provided the mirror was large enough to cover all approach angles. C Cllr McSweeney investigating permissions needed from Highways.

5.11 Cars parked near 40 Leighton Beck Road (13.3) – Cllr Yates agreed as an occasional problem, which he would monitor, photograph and report back.

5.12 Beetham 'ghost' footpath (14.1) – in view of the road safety aspects of this problem, the time over which it had persisted and the failure of alternative courses of action, the earlier decision to initiate enforcement proceedings via Highways was endorsed. Clerk to follow up with Highways.

6.0 Public Participation.

6.1 Police Report - no report for May due to police involvement with preparations for Appleby horse fair.

6.2/3 County and District Council matters - nothing to report.

6.4 Matters raised by members of the public - the stocks in Beetham were in urgent need of repair. **Agreed** - BPC to instruct the Parish Steward to undertake repairs at BPC's expense. Visitor car parking in Stanley Street, Beetham, continued to be a problem for residents and had related consequences for the nearby A6 layby. **Agreed** - that a meeting be sought with Heron Theatre management to discuss, with Cllr Meakin representing BPC and the Parish Steward representing residents. Clerk to arrange. Providing 'residents only' parking permits (via a TRO) might be a solution. As this was a relatively costly process, important to ensure that the initial application covered all aspects of the problem. Police also to be consulted.

7.0 New matters for consideration – none.

8.0 Planning Matters

8.1 Applications under consideration by BPC:

June 2019 meeting

Type A applications – SLDC response deadline precedes next PC meeting – Clerk to respond. (Members on relevant ward committee to email comments to Clerk ASAP & before deadline)

SLDC ref	Address	Applicant	Development	Response deadline	BPC response

Type B applications – SLDC deadline falls after next PC meeting – members to discuss at mtg.

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8.2 Decisions received from SLDC

SLDC decision

SL/2019/0184	Land adjacent to 4 Shaw Green, Storth		Detached dwelling	Refused
SL/2019/0205	Parkside, Hale		First floor sunroom	Refused

(More planning information available on SLDC website – southlakeland.gov.uk)

8.3 Minutes of Planning Committee meetings – as above.

8.4 Related matters & correspondence – reported that a new entrance had been made through a wall to a housing development site in Whassett, where the highway (B6384) was narrow and often difficult for traffic to pass despite it being a 30mph restriction zone. D Cllr Audland to inspect.

9. Financial Matters.

BPC – FINANCIAL REPORT			MONTH – MAY 2019	MEETING – 3 June, 2019		
Date	Transaction	Payee/er	Detail	Current a/c		HIBA
				£	£	£
01/05/19	Opening balances				3,385.23	19,293.33
31/05/19	Receipts:					
			Ground rents - B-Jones	8.34		
			Ryan	20.00		
			Cooper	100.00		
			Smith	200.00		
			Hunn	20.00		
			Anon – donation for handrail		348.34	
			SLDC - Precept 2019/20		520.00	
					17,574.00	
31/04/19	Payments:					
	544	1198	GHS – grass cutting	570.00		
	545	1199	Black Sheep – handrail	520.00		
			VAT	104.00		
				624.00		
	546	1200	Scargill – Clerk’s sal May (net)	435.84		
			Total payments in month		-1,629.84	
31/05/19	Closing balances				20,197.73	19,293.33
31/05/19	Total funds all accounts				£39,491.06	
	Reserve Funds at 31/05/19					
			Street lamp reserve	9,600.00		
			General Reserve	9,693.33		
			Total reserves	19,293.33		

Resolved – that the above payments be **APPROVED**.

9.2 Other financial matters – annual Risk Assessment 2019 – completed by Cllr Meakin and the Clerk.

10.0 Parish Steward:

10.1 Update on current events – confirmed need for firm and raised concrete-type base directly in front of the Carr Bank notice board, with painted warning posts and sill. **Agreed** – to proceed

10.2 Further additions to work programme – necessary repairs to stocks in Beetham.

11.0 Reports from representatives on outside bodies – none.

12.0 Parish Matters (for information only):

Cllr Crayston – the newly-installed SID on loan from SLDC had recorded that some 82% of traffic was exceeding the 30mph restriction, which had led to a more recent improvement.

Cllr Knowles – reported a further complaint about the B5282 wall repair near Heron Brack.

13.0 Parish Land.

13.1 – Sandside Cutting – Cllr Pickup reported that the process renewal of the felling licence for Sandside Cutting was underway (deadline September 2019).

14.0 General Correspondence – none.

15.0 Reading Matter – none.

16.0 Items to be included on the agenda for the next meeting (July 2019) and additional to items referred to above – include (in Matters Arising) until resolved – Street name plates Leighton Beck Rd.

17.0 Date of next meeting – monthly meeting 1 July 2019 at Storth Village Church.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.