Minutes of the Bewcastle Parish Council Meeting Monday 17th July 2017 at 7.30 pm in Roadhead Hall

Present: Barbara Smith (Chairman), Mary Phillips, Pat Renwick, Frank Waugh **Absent:** Brian Carruthers, Malcolm Dodd, Andrea Nicholson

Item No		Action
17.35	Apologies were received from Cllr Holt-Thomas and Cllr Pattinson. County Councillor Val Tarbitt also sent her apologies. The Clerk thanked those Councillors who had advised her of their absence.	
17.36	Requests for Dispensations – none received.	
17.37	Declarations of Interest – none received.	
17.38	Minutes of the meeting held on 15 th May 2017 RESOLVED: that the Minutes be received and signed as a true record of the meeting.	
17.39	Matters arising 17.30 Broadband at the School. The Clerk reported that Paul Cretney from BT had been consulted on this matter as had Mrs Harland, Head teacher at Bewcastle school. It had been agreed that the Clerk & Mrs Harland would look into the possibility of setting up a community fibre partnership to include local dwellings within 2 km of the school. 17.34 Speed limit through Roadhead. In the absence of Cllr Nicholson, who was seeking for surveillance volunteers this matter was deferred until the September meeting.	
17.40	Financial report The Clerk reported that following a payment of £3.50 to CALC for a copy of the latest version of 'The Good Councillor's Guide', the transfer of a further £200 to the Deposit account and the receipt of a VAT refund of £202.35, the Current account now stood at £6,925.56. The balance on the Deposit account was £500.15.	
17.41	Risk assessment – there were no amendments since last year and it was RESOLVED to approve the assessment.	
17.42	Bit o' Crack It had been suggested that the Council should give a donation to the magazine which no longer had paid advertising. The Chairman said that in previous years £50 had been given and after some discussion it was RESOLVED that a 'one-off' donation of £50 would be made this year.	

17.43 Planning

Ref No: 17/0491 Common Flatt, Bewcastle. There was no objection to this application.

17.44 Highways

The surfaces between the Myre and the Rack and the potholes at the Nicholforest crossroads on the B6318 had all been repaired. The 1035, 'Wellington', from its junction with the C1025 to the junction with the 1034 is once again in a very poor state of repair. This road is used constantly by the wood wagons and needs properly resurfacing.

17.45 Items for consideration at the next meeting

- a) Cemetery the gates need painting
- b) Playing Field the seat still needs repair
- c) Playing Field the edges need strimming & the saughs are growing back and need spraying.
- d) The provision of a mobile phone mast needs looking into again.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

The next meeting is on Monday 18th September at 7.30pm.