

Minutes of the Bewcastle Parish Council Meeting Monday 17th September 2018 at 7.30 pm in Roadhead Hall

Present: Barbara Smith (Chairman), Brian Carruthers, Malcolm Dodd,
Ann Holt-Thomas, Andrea Nicholson, Mary Phillips, Pat Renwick
Councillor David Shepherd, Councillor Val Tarbitt

Item No		Action
	Apologies were received from Steven Pattinson & Frank Waugh	
18.46	Requests for Dispensations – none received.	
18.47	Declarations of Interest – none received.	
18.48	Minutes of the meeting held on 18th June 2018 - to authorise the Chairman to sign the Minutes as a true record.	
18.49	<p>Matters arising</p> <p>18.20 Centenary walk. The Chairman reported that the walk had been a great success and a fitting memorial. £430 had been raised which would be divided between the two churches. It was hoped that a booklet about the various places on the walk would be produced shortly.</p> <p>18.21 Playscheme. This too had been successful though fewer children had attended than was originally hoped. The County Council grant together with the parents' contributions and as a result of GLL reducing their charges there would only be a deficit of £96.40 to be divided between the three parish councils: Solport & Stapleton, Nicholforest and Bewcastle.</p> <p>18.43 Solar Farm: donation from profits. The Clerk reported that the solar farm at High Park Foot had been granted planning permission. RESOLVED that a letter should be written requesting a donation from the developers as compensation for the disruption and ensuing loss of amenity.</p> <p>18.44 Bewcastle as an AONB. The Chairman had done considerable research into the matter and it was agreed that consultation with Nicholforest Parish Council would be helpful.</p> <p>18.45 Hedges from Blackpoolgate to the High Corner. The Clerk had written to the two private landowners concerned and they had taken immediate action. The Council was grateful for their prompt response.</p>	

<p>18.50</p> <p>18.51</p> <p>18.52</p> <p>18.53</p> <p>18.54</p>	<p>Financial report. The Clerk reported that once all cheques had been cleared the current balance would stand at £6138.71 The deposit account balance stands at £500.62 after interest. The full report is attached.</p> <p>CALC AGM – 10th November 2018 Cllr Renwick offered to take the Chairman to the meeting if she wished to go and it was agreed they would have a look at the agenda.</p> <p>CALC subscription – revised method for calculation The Clerk reported that the new method would decrease our subscription by approximately £30 next year.</p> <p>Planning – Appn ref: 18/0673 Redundant telephone exchange. Two minor alterations had been approved.</p> <p>Highways Councillors reported further problems with overgrowing hedgerow trees. The Clerk would write to private landowners from The Nook to the High corner and back down the Bailey road. She would also write to the Forestry Commission and Tilhill.</p> <p>The stones on the verge outside Bankhead were a hazard. The Clerk would write to the owners.</p> <p>Cllr Tarbitt would raise the matter of signs at Blackpoolgate bridge again and also the collapsing bridge over the ditch at the entrance to the Knowe.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Cllrs Shepherd and Tarbitt for coming and there being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm.</p>	
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