

## Minutes of the Bewcastle Parish Council Meeting Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 at 8pm in Roadhead Hall

**Present:** Barbara Smith (Chairman), Pam Copeland, Pat Renwick, Michelle Thorpe, Frank Waugh, City Cllr John Mallinson, County Cllr Val Tarbitt

Item No		Action
19.36	<b>Apologies</b> were received Steve Pattinson, Ann Holt-Thomas, Malcom Dodd and Brian Carruthers. The Chairman welcomed Cllr Mallinson and Cllr Copeland to their first meeting since election.	
19.37	<b>Requests for Dispensations</b> – none received.	
19.38	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> – none received.	
19.39	<b>Minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019</b> were agreed and it was <b>RESOLVED</b> to authorise the Chairman to sign them as a true record.	
19.40	<b>Matters arising</b> 19.35 Forestry Investment Zone (FIZ). The Chairman reported on the meeting with Jim O'Neill, the FIZ Implementation Officer, at Roadhead Hall on the 27 <sup>th</sup> June which was very well attended. The presentation was very good and there was considerable discussion afterwards. It was felt that it had been a worthwhile meeting. Cllr Renwick then reported on the FIZ Contact Group meeting in Longtown on 2 <sup>nd</sup> July. She explained the make-up of the group which was composed of members from the farming community as well as the forestry industry. The County Council Highways was also represented and Cllr Val Tarbitt has now been added to the Group. Bewcastle Parish Council was represented by the Clerk in the absence of the Chairman and the Heritage Society was represented by Cllr Renwick who said it was important that the community, other than the farming aspect, was represented. The archaeological map of Bewcastle needed to be improved as there was a dearth of information on it and work was ongoing.	
19.41	<b>Financial report</b> - the Clerk reported that once all cheques and receipts had been cleared the current balance would stand at £8386.37 including the deposit account balance of £501.12. The full report is attached. It was <b>RESOLVED</b> to transfer £300 to the deposit account.	

**19.42 Bewcastle Countryfest**

The Chairman reported that the Countryfest had been supported by Cumbria County Council and Friends of the Lake District. The events at the Hall and the Knowe Church had been a great success. The Guided Walk with Lunch had raised over £400 which was divided between the two Churches.

**19.43 Planning – Appn ref: 19/0488 Crookgate Barn.**

This proposal was a renewal of the original planning application which was due to expire. The Council had no objections.

**19.44 Telecommunications mast**

The road up to the site had been constructed and work begun on the foundations. Cllr Renwick requested that the Council make further representations regarding the mobile signal in our area. Cllr Copeland was meeting with Rory Stewart on another matter and would raise the subject with him. Both our City and County Councillors said they would pursue the matter further.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.20pm.