

**Minutes of the Bewcastle Parish Council Meeting
Monday 21st November 2016 at 7.30 pm in Roadhead Hall**

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

Item No		Action
16.91	Apologies were received from Ann Holt-Thomas and County Cllr Val Tarbitt.	
16.92	Requests for Dispensations – none received.	
16.93	Declarations of Interest – none received.	
16.94	Minutes of the meeting held on 17th October RESOLVED: that the Minutes be received and signed as a true record of the meeting.	
16.95	Matters arising 16.85 Swing seats for the Playing Field – this item was adjourned till the next meeting. 16.90 Tree removal at the Cemetery - this item was underway.	
16.96	Financial report The Clerk reported that after payment of outstanding invoices there would be a balance of £5832.71 in the current account. The Clerk reported that due to a problem with the paperwork the transfer of £150 to the Deposit account had yet to be made. RESOLVED to authorise the expenditure in the financial report.	
16.97	Precept for 2017/18 - the budget was accepted. RESOLVED to keep the precept at £4,500.	
16.98	Success Regime Public Consultation Cllr Renwick and the Chairman reported that the main concerns for the residents of Bewcastle were the retention of beds at Brampton Cottage Hospital and the organisation of community care. RESOLVED – that the Clerk would write to the Consultation Team to reiterate our concerns.	
16.99	BT Callbox removal – nothing had been heard from the City Council so the Clerk was asked to contact City Councillor David Shepherd.	

16.100 Highways

a) Lordstown warning signs – the Highway Authority will erect horse warning signs beneath the existing bend warning signs. There had been an incident at Lordstown with a horse and a timber wagon. Reports of an abusive driver had been received. A number of concerns were raised about the speed of these wagons and the appearance of overloading. The clerk would report these matters to Cllr Tarbitt.

b) Flooding on the B6318 at Roadhead – the Clerk had been informed that a further gully would be sunk at the point of the flooding and piped into the existing drain.

c) C1004, Crookburnfoot to Low Baileyhead - road closure. Nothing had been heard from Cllr Tarbitt regarding this matter. The Clerk would follow this up.

16.101 Meetings 2017 – the Clerk had prepared a list of proposed dates for the third Monday in the month with the exception of August, December and April.

RESOLVED - to accept the prepared list.

Cllr Pattinson then brought up the cancellation of the Old Year's Night party. The Chairman pointed out that this was a matter for the Village Hall Committee not the Parish Council. Furthermore since Cllr Pattinson had not asked for it to be included on the Agenda it could not properly be discussed at this meeting. At this point the Clerk and a number of Parish Councillors left the meeting which closed at 8.15pm.