

WESTON BEGGARD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council,
Held at Yarkhill Village Hall
On Monday 16th September 2024
At 7.00pm

Present: Councillors: Keith Bayliss (Chairman), John Young and Clare Fenton

In attendance: Rosie Thomas – Parish Clerk
Ward Councillor Jonathan Lester

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1. To receive and accept apologies for absence
It was NOTED Cllr Lawrence would be late

2. To receive any declarations of interest or written applications for dispensation from Councillors on agenda items
None

3. Minutes

3.1 To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th May 2024
The minutes were APPROVED and duly signed by the Chair

3.2 To consider the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 20th May 2024 and any issues therein.
The minutes were considered and no issues were raised.

3.3 To agree and sign the minutes of the extra ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 15th July 2024
The minutes were APPROVED and duly signed by the Chair

4. Public Question Time
None

5. Reports

5.1 Ward Cllrs report & Q & A time

Cllr Lester's report included the following items:

- What the devolution deal means for Herefordshire
- NPPF is under consultation
- Reporting the date of the upcoming cabinet meeting
- Discussing spending on roads
- Parish summit reminder

Cllr Lawrence joined the meeting

6. Finance

6.1 To note the September Finance report and bank balances – Appendix 1

The clerk REPORTED that finances were as expected for the time of year, and that the council would soon be receiving their next precept instalment. The report was signed as evidence of budget monitoring and bank reconciliation.

6.2 To review the council's insurance policy, decide upon any amendments required and renew

The clerk REPORTED that the council's current insurance would soon need to be renewed. It was AGREED that the clerk should get quotes from other insurance firms to compare to the council's current plan. It was AGREED that the new insurance plan would be decided over email between meetings.

6.3 To consider the following invoices for payment:

- 6.3.1 – Clerk's Salary
- 6.3.2 – Clerk's expenses £34.10 previously circulated
- 6.3.3 - HALC CiLCA Training - £300
- 6.3.4 – Weston Beggard Village Hall – Meeting Hire - £16
- 6.3.5 – Autela Payroll Services - £52.85

The above payments were APPROVED for payment by BACS

It was AGREED that further payments for payroll services could be made under clerk's delegated authority.

7. Highways and footpaths

7.1 To consider work to be undertaken on the parish footpaths
None

7.2 To consider road issues for reporting to Balfour Beatty

The following items were RAISED:

- Potholes on Weston Beggard Lane
- Drains along the main road are blocked and need to be cleared.

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8. Community Matters

8.1 To consider investigating installing SIDs on the A4103 in the Parish

It was RESOLVED to gain more information on whether it is possible for SIDs to be installed on 50mph roads, and it was RESOLVED that Ward Cllr Lester would gather more information regarding this.

8.2 To consider and update on purchasing Smart Water for all parishioners and next steps

It was NOTED that the council would like to have an open launch where parishioners can collect their smart water packs. It was NOTED that it should be advertised by sending postcards out to parishioners. It was RESOLVED that the clerk would contact the police to check their availability to attend the launch, and that the date would be set after that was known. Cllr Young took the box of smart water to keep until the launch date.

9. Correspondence

9.1 To consider the NPPF consultation

The ongoing NPPF consultation was discussed and it was RESOLVED to take no further action until the subsequently revised Local Plan comes out for consultation.

9.2 To note the Parish Summit 8th October

NOTED

9.3 To note the HALC AGM 26th October

NOTED

10. To consider items for the next meeting – No discussion

Budget and precept, Clerk's 6 month appraisal

11. To note the date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting will be confirmed as soon as possible.

The meeting closed at: 19:41

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

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