

Minutes of a Meeting of Bergh Apton Parish Council On Friday 23rd June 2017 at 7.00pm In The Village Hall

Members Present

Parish Members Present
David Skedge (Chair), Janet Skedge, Hugh Porter,
Renata Thornber, Richard Herring

In attendance: Clerk Julie Gosling

Apologies: There were no apologies for absence

1 Apologies For Absence and Declarations of Interest

There were 2 apologies for absence Cllr Barry Stone and Cllr John Fuller

2 Minutes of Meeting Held on 17th May 2017

The minutes of the meetings held on 17th May were approved and signed by the Chairman

3 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

4 Public Consultation

5 Co-Opt New Parish Councillor

John Ling and Paul Thornber were voted in unanimously to join the Parish Council and the declarations of acceptance of office were signed at the meeting. All new Councillors to complete Register of Interest forms and return to the Clerk.

6 County Councillor's Report – Barry Stone

Councillor's report was presented to the meeting

7 District Councillor's Report – John Fuller

No report received for this meeting

8 Playground

Clerk to contact Inspector to request notification of date when playground will be inspected and to organise on site meeting with Councillors.

Working party to consider the refurbishment of the play area and report back to future meeting (Hugh Porter, John Ling and Richard Herring)

9 Bus Shelter Repairs

Albeit the shelter is located in Alington it is believed it had been commissioned and purchased by Bergh Apton Parish Council.

The shelter had been inspected and minor repairs required - to be undertaken by Richard Herring.

10 Finance

10.1 Account audit progress – Clerk reported that this was ongoing with Auditors

10.2 Two new signatories for Bank Account – David Skedge able to sign, Hugh Porter awaiting confirmation from bank, all details required forwarded to them for approval.

10.3 Cheque was raised and approved for the Clerk’s training course - £45.00

10.4 Cheque was raised and approved for the BT Phonebox - £1.00

11 Community Governance Review

The Clerk had submitted the Parish Council’s survey to South Norfolk Council.

The Parish Council are keen that parishoners are able to submit resident surveys, giving their views, and as the Review had not been widely publicised will communicate with villagers to bring this to their attention, via the Bergh Apton website, email and visits.

Where residents are unable to access the online survey the Parish Council will provide a collection point for surveys so they may be delivered to South Norfolk before the deadline of 12th July.

12 Greater Norwich Local Plan

The Parish Council have prepared text illustrating their views on Bergh Apton being considered a service village and by definition ‘open’ to large scale residential development. The appeal drafted by John Ling was approved and is to be forwarded to South Norfolk Council and the Greater Norwich Local Plan Partnership.

13 Community Infrastructure Levy

Clerk to establish criteria for expenditure and report back to next meeting in order that Councillors can consider suitable projects.

14 Planning Applications

14.1 Goose Barn, School Road – Mrs J Byford – new entrance lobby and bedroom – Approved, no comments or objections

14.2 Primrose Bank, Church Meadow Lane – Mr A Widdows – single storey extension and alterations – Approved, no comments or objections

15 Plaque for Rowan

No progress – to be put on next Agenda

16 Adoption of Telephone Box

BT had forwarded the contract for signing to transferring ownership to Bergh Apton Parish Council. Clerk to consider documentation and request further information from BT re payment.

17 Website

The Parish Council discussed issues around using the Bergh Apton website as a platform and agreed that in order to develop the facility they wished to invite the Webmaster to the next meeting. Clerk to arrange.

18 Events and Correspondence

18.1 CPRE meeting 19th July – 4 councillors wished to attend with a further possible attendee to confirm after meeting

18.2 South Norfolk Older Persons Forum – no Councillors to attend

18.3 Planning Enforcement – Clerk summarised the recently published South Norfolk document – noted and filed for future reference

18.4 Cookes Road Development Newsletter – to be posted on Parish noticeboards.

19 Items for Future Agendas

Plaque for the Rowan – Hugh Porter

Adoption of Telephone box paperwork – Julie Gosling

Report on CPRE meeting

Speed Management

Future Dates for Meetings: 25th July, 20th September, 22nd November