# **Beer Parish Council**

The Parish Council Meeting was held on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023**, after the Annual Parish **Meeting at the Mariners' Hall.** Copies of minutes and reports are available on request.

Present: Cllr R Dormor (Chair) Cllr A Brewer

Cllr T Stevens Cllr S Greig
Cllr G Pook Cllr M Richards
Cllr J Green Cllr J Heath

Minutes were taken by: Nicky Ingarfield – Clerk

In attendance: Kayleigh Westlake eight members of the public and PC Craig Amarillia.

- 1. Apologies were received from: Cllr E Molony & Cllr A Adkin Family matters. Cllr Dormor read an email from Cllr Adkin thanking the members of the Council as she would not be standing for election for another term. Cllr Dormor thanked Cllr Adkin for her time and commitment whilst on the Council, especially for stepping up when the Council did not have a Clerk and for her assistance in forming the Staffing Committee.
- 2. Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the adopted Code of Conduct (N.B. this does not preclude any later declarations) to consider dispensation requests: None were declared.
- **3.** Items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded: There were no items.
- 4. Public Participation:

A resident expressed concerns regarding the traffic survey and the resulting traffic that would be re-directed around the school. This will be covered in greater detail under agenda item 9.1.

- **5. Police reports:** This was discussed under agenda item 5 in the Annual Parish Meeting held directly before Full Council.
- 6. Approval of minutes from 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023:
  Proposed by Cllr Heath seconded by Cllr Brewer resolved all in favour.
- 7. EDDC & DDC reports circulated prior to meeting:

Cllr Hartnell had sent his reports prior to the meeting and had raised various highlights of his report under agenda item 5 of the Annual Parish Meeting. Council had no further questions.

Cllr Pook confirmed that EDDC Street Scene would be attending the Jubilee on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023, the team are aware that the area is not as pristine as it once was, but they were also working alongside the Green Flag team, this means that the area must be managed in a certain way.

The Jubilee play area has been allocated a Capital Fund budget of £100K for a total refurbishment, EDDC will be consulting with BPC before works commence. In the meantime, it will be maintained to a safe standard and weeding along with a general tidy up will take place. Cllr Pook to follow up with EDDC regarding the 23/24 capital budget before he stands down.

Issues have been raised regarding the bank behind Peasden Flats, the bank is steep, and the team have to follow HSE guidance on the cutting of such areas. The report of rats has been reported and is being followed up by the Street Scene Team.

Cllr Heath stated that he would like to see the Jubilee restored to it's 'former glory' and expects the area to be maintained to a minimum standard.

Cllr Pook agreed that the area needs restorative work but pointed out that there is a disparity between what is achievable and the budget, but EDDC and BPC have a common goal to see the area improved.

# 8. Financial Report:

- 8.1 To approve the monthly bank reconciliation to the end of February 2023: Proposed by Cllr Brewer seconded by Cllr Richards resolved all in favour.
- 8.2 To receive the monthly alpha reports:

There were no questions on the reports.

8.3 To approve the schedule of payments for March 2023:

Proposed by Cllr Stevens seconded by Cllr Richards all in favour.

**8.4 Councillors noted that the prices for street vendors on the Jubilee were reviewed in early 2022:** The current prices will stand for the Kings Coronation and will be reviewed in more detail at the next meeting.

#### 9. Environment & Community Portfolio:

#### 9.1 To receive an update on the Traffic Survey:

Cllr Greig confirmed that he had received an email and the prices had increased since the original work was undertaken. The representative from the school had previously mentioned concerns, under agenda item 4, over the increase in traffic around the school and Cllr Greig confirmed that this would be the case. A working party will meet to discuss the changes this will include a representative from the school and Cllr Hartnell will also attend as there may be financial support available from DCC if the proposed changes raise H&S concerns.

**9.2 To receive an update on the clearance of the Jubilee by EDDC:** Already covered under agenda item 7.

### 10. Assets & Property Portfolio

- **10.1** To receive an update on the brook from the Environment Agency. It was confirmed that DCC meet the costs of the clearance.
- **10.2** To receive report on Ashill Playpark and agree works. Minor works were picked up on in the report, workman should be able to correct these issues.

### 10.2 Proposals for the Townsend coach park, to approve the following,:

- the removal 2 coach parking spots and replace with 6 car parking spaces:
- 2) to keep the same rate as our parking spaces in the rest of Beer
- 3) To offer spaces to residents on our waiting list first
- 4) To change the white lines and signage

Upon checking and measuring the coach park bays there was room for 2 coach parking bays to be converted to 7 car parking bays. Residents on the waiting list will be offered spaces first. The back up parking for coaches would be Starre Bank & Seaton Coach Park. Clearer signage needs to be on display at Starre Bank and Traffic Devon are to monitor.

Proposed by Cllr Greig, seconded by Cllr Brewer, resolved all in favour.

Spaces will be charged at the same rates as all other parking bays.

Proposed Cllr Brewer, seconded by Cllr Greig, resolved all in favour.

Clerk to seek quotes for changes to lines at the coach park.

# 11. EDDC asset transfer

### 11.1 To receive and update on the EDDC Transfer:

Cllr Green had sent a report to Council prior to the meeting, there were no questions.

## 12. Events & Promotions:

### 12.1 To receive an update on any dates:

The Street Party will now be held on the Jubilee between 2-5 pm on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023. There will be food stalls: Scouts, Steamers, Chocolate shop in the evening.

### 12.2 To receive an update on the road closure for the street party

This was not granted so the event will be held on the Jubilee

- **12.3** To confirm who has shown an interest in holding food stalls: Covered in item 12.1.
- **12.4** To confirm the charges for the stall holders on the Jubilee. Covered in item 8.4.
- **12.5** To receive an update on Beer Village Website: Kyleigh now has access to the website and has met with Helen Follett who also works on it. The Village newsletter will now be sent to Kayleigh and she will be uploading this monthly. Kayleigh plans to start working on this shortly as there are quite a few items that need updating. The Facebook page will also update through the website as they will be linked. The page will continue to develop over time.
- **12.6** To receive an update on any other events: Tombola is going well but Kayleigh is still waiting for the RNLI to come back to her regarding their event.

14. To acknowledge the date for the next Parish Surgery Date: 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2023: Noted
15. To receive and update on the upcoming Council Elections:  All paperwork was handed in to EDDC and all updated information has been posted on the website, Facebook and the notice board.
16. Date of next meeting: Full Council, 7.30pm 8 <sup>th</sup> March 2023
Meeting ended at 9.40 pm.
Signed: Cllr R Dormor – Chair

**13. Correspondence:** Councillors noted all correspondence previously circulated.

Dated: .....