

# BENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Mrs Jane Costigan

Locum Clerk: Louisa Thomson  
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## MINUTES OF MEETING

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022 at St Marys Church

### Present:

Parish Councillors	Clerk	District & County Councillors	Others
Jane Costigan Kathryn Courtier Danny Green Neal Day James Blackmore	Louisa Thomson		Members of the public

### 22.018 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Veronica Parker, Tim Lipscombe and Simon Houston.

### 22.019 Confirmation of Minutes – Resolved

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022, copies previously circulated, **Proposed as a true record by Neal Day, Seconded Danny Green and RESOLVED.**

### 22.020 Declaration of Interest

Kathryn Courtier declared an interest in planning items – 24622/022 and 24622/023, Russell House.

### 22.021 Public Participation

Jubilee event public meeting is being held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March, it is hoped that many people will attend and agree the event details.

Russell House planning applications, member of the public, doesn't understand why there are numerous applications for the same property. They strongly object to this application, the amendment is only reducing the roof height by 25cm, the proposed roof will be over 5 metre high where the neighbours garage roof height is only 4.2 metres high.

The house also crosses the Settlement Policy Boundary and should therefore be moved or made smaller.

Kathryn Courtier spoke as a member of the public and stated that as a neighbour of Russell House their garage roof height is 4.3 meters and is plenty high enough and can't understand the reason needed for the proposed 5 meter height.

### 22.022 Bentworth Platinum Jubilee Event

**Proposed Kathryn Courtier, Seconded Neal Day, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:** that the Parish Council will adopt the Jubilee event and organise it with the help of volunteers.

### 22.023 Pond Tidy

The pond isn't on Parish Council land so isn't the responsibility of the Parish Council.

**Kathryn Courtier took no part in the discussion or decision for the following planning items.**

### 22.024 Planning

Council to consider two planning applications their comments to be forwarded to EHDC.

- a) 24622/023 Russell House, Village Street, Bentworth **OBJECT**  
Replacement dwelling with associated alterations to access, erection of garage with parking and turning space and landscaping following demolition of existing dwelling, garage and storage buildings. (As amended by plans received 11 February 2022.)
- b) 24622/022 Russell House, Village Street, Bentworth **OBJECT**  
Variation of Condition 10 on planning permission 24622/021 for the replacement of the following plans: (Drg. 201045-08 Proposed Floor Plans) to be replaced with drawing: (Drg. 201045-16 Proposed Floor Plans) (Drg.

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201045-07 - Proposed Elevations) to be replaced with drawing: (Drg. 201045-14 Rev A Proposed Elevations) (Drg. 201045-06A - Site Block Plan) to be replaced with drawing: (Drg. 201045-15? Site Block Plan) (as amended by plans received 11 February 2022).

**Proposed Danny Green, Seconded Neal Day, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:** Bentworth Parish Council objects to both applications and reiterates its previous comments.

## 22.025 Government Response to Landscape Review

**Proposed Neil Day, Seconded Kathryn Courtier, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:** to put this on the Parish Council website for individuals to respond.

## 22.026 Speed Indicator Sign (SID) Update

Kathryn Courtier reported, report provided by David Maltby.

For week 13th to 20th Feb 2022 at Denyers

Going towards Medstead from A339 there were 4930 vehicles; 2541 (51.54%) were exceeding 30mph; 858 (17.4%) were exceeding 35mph and hence ticketable.

Arriving from Medstead towards A339 there were 5668 vehicles; 2926 (51.63%) were exceeding 30mph; 1028 (18.14%) were exceeding 35mph and hence ticketable. 2 were banable 63mph & 67mph

So, 1886 ticketable for the week.....

For week 20th to 27th Feb 2022 at Denyers

Going towards Medstead from A339 there were 4926 vehicles; 2393 (48.58%) were exceeding 30mph; 755 (15.33%) were exceeding 35mph and hence ticketable. 1 banable at 60mph.

Arriving from Medstead towards A339 there were 4448 vehicles; 2534 (56.97%) were exceeding 30mph; 948 (21.31%) were exceeding 35mph and hence ticketable.

So, 1703 ticketable for the week.....

In total 3589 ticketable in the two week period, plenty doing over 50mph, and 3 banable doing >60mph

Kathryn proposed a vote of thanks for David Maltby for all his hard work.

## 22.027 Community Updates

**Community Care** – Two trips were organised in February and another had been organised for last Friday but had to be cancelled due to the weather. There is also a planned bingo trip.

**Neighbourhood Watch** – nothing to report.

## 22.028 Grant Application

**Proposed James Blackmore, Seconded Kathryn Courtier, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:** to approve the grant application for £150 to Citizen Advice East Hampshire.

## 22.029 East Hampshire District Council Tree Survey

Council completed the tree planting survey.

## 22.030 Council Policies and Regulations

Councillors Jane Costigan and Neal Day together with Veronica Parker and Tim Lipscombe to meet with Clerk to review and adapt council policies for approval at the May Council meeting.

## 22.031 Internal Auditor

Councillors to see if any residents are willing to volunteer to take on this role.

## 22.032 Bank Payments

**Proposed Neal Day, Seconded Kathryn Courtier, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:** while the Councils new banking arrangements are set up, payments will be made either using internet banking or by cheque.

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## 22.033 Accounts 2021/2022

I)	Receipts	-	none
	Bank balance at 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	-	£ 2,231.01

II) **Proposed Neal Day, Seconded James Blackmore, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to approve the following payment:

a)	Louisa Thomson – Locum Clerk Salary	£ 482.74
b)	St Mary’s Bentworth PCC (Sept & Nov Council meetings)	£ 36.00
c)	Hampshire County Council – SID works	£ 295.87

**22.034 Next Meeting** – Council confirmed the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

**22.035 Close of Meeting** – The Chair thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signed.....  
Chair Bentworth Parish Council

12<sup>th</sup> April 2022