

BENTWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Mr Tim Lipscombe

Clerk: Louisa Thomson
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MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday 7th February 2023 at St Marys Church

Present:

Parish Councillors	Clerk	District & County Councillors	Others
Tim Lipscombe - Chair Neal Day – Vice Chair Nikki White	Louisa Thomson		Members of the public

23.001 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Veronica Parker and Tony Costigan.

23.002 Confirmation of Minutes – Resolved

The Minutes of the Council meeting held on 5th January 2023, copies previously circulated, **Proposed as a true record by Neal Day, Seconded Nikki White and RESOLVED: signed by Chair Tim Lipscombe.**

22.003 Declaration of Interest

Tim Lipscombe declared an interest in planning item 7. li) 32860/002 – St Mary's House and item 14. Farnborough Airspace Post Implementation.

23.004 Public Participation

Members of the public addressed the council regarding St Mary's house planning application and the possible application for ownership of the Village Pond.

23.005 Planning

Council considered two planning application, their comments to be forwarded to East Hampshire District Council.

i) 31181/004 Wivelrod Farm House, Wivelrod Road, Bentworth **NO OBJECTION**
Orangery to replace existing aluminium conservatory.
Proposed Neal Day, Seconded Nikki White, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED
Bentworth Parish Council have no objection to this application.

ii) 32860/002 St Mary's House, Church Street, Bentworth
Single storey front and rear extensions, two store rear extension, first floor side extension.

Tim Lipscombe declared an interest, so council isn't quorate. This item will be decided at a planning meeting.

23.006 Kings Coronation

Neal Day reported that the January meeting wasn't well attended but everyone who attended agreed there should be an event. There are currently nine volunteers to help run an event. A follow up meeting is arranged for Thursday 9th February.

23.007 Neighbourhood Plan

Tim Lipscombe reported that a summary of the meeting with East Hampshire District Council has been circulated to councillors and is on the Parish Council website. The village will need to decide what their priorities are and then council will discuss further with EHDC. EHDC understand Bentworth is a rural village and potentially has a housing allocation of 12 houses by 2040.

23.008 **Village Pond** – to be included on a future agenda.

23.009 **Village Green Grass Cutting** – to be included on a future agenda.

23.010 Litter Pick Risk Assessment

Tim Lipscombe reported the litter pick had been successful and the bags of rubbish had been taken away by Norse. Another litter pick will take place in August.

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23.011 Website Photo Competition

Notices have been put on the noticeboards, the Parish Council website and in The Villager. No entries have been received so far.

23.012 Farnborough Airspace Post Implementation Review

Tim Lipscombe declared an interest, so council isn't quorate and can't make a decision.

23.013 Defibrillator

Proposed Tim Lipscombe, Seconded Nikki White, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to purchase new defibrillator pads costing up to £70 ex VAT.

23.014 Councillor Training

Proposed Tim Lipscombe, Seconded Neal Day, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED: all new councillors should complete:

- The Knowledge & Core Skills @ £98
- Local Council Finance for Councillors @ £30

23.015 Parish Council Meeting Venue – to be included on the next agenda.

23.016 Website – The majority of changes have now been made, within budget.

23.017 Community Updates

Community Care – Arranged tea at Avenue Nurseries in December which was very successful. 13th February is the AGM and care group open morning drop in at The Sun. There is going to be a bingo tea in Wivelrod in April.

Neighbourhood Watch – A suspicious person has been seen near properties recently, be alert. Catalytic converters are being stolen from parked cars.

23.018 Speed Indicator Sign (SID) / SpeedWatch Update

The District Councillor Community Grant has been received from EHDC for use to purchase a speed gun.

Tim Lipscombe read report provided by David Maltby.

SID Report for 15th January to 29th January at Denyers

Vehicles:	21,097
31-35mph:	7,270
36-40mph:	2,082
41-45mph:	427
46-50mph:	95
51-60mph:	25
61-70mph:	1
71-80mph:	0

There were 2,630 potentially ticketable, with one vehicle recorded at 65mph on Wednesday 25th January at 20:07 travelling towards A339.

The total recorded exceeding 36mph and hence ticketable since the start year is currently 4,517.

I have also attached the list for 2022 of the 44 recorded doing 60mph or greater through Bentworth. It should be noted that less than 20% of these occur during daylight hours and so the other 80% would not be caught by an AutoSpeedwatch system. (The report will be added to the Parish Council website.)

Regards
David

23.019 Action Log – update from Tim Lipscombe.

23.020 Accounts 2022/2023

Proposed Neal Day, Seconded Veronica Parker, UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the following payment:

a) Louisa Thomson – Clerk Salary January 2023	£484.73
b) Louisa Thomson – Clerk's expenses January 2023	£6.21
c) St Mary's Church – Parish Council meetings	£72.00

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d) Speed Gun Purchase with District Councillor grant £256.48

23.021 Next Meeting

Confirm the date of the next scheduled meeting is Tuesday 4th April 2023.

Close of Meeting – The Chair thanked all present for their attendance and closed the meeting.

Signed.....
Chair Bentworth Parish Council

4th April 2023