

FENNY BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 21 March 2023 at 7.00 pm in Fenny Bentley Church

Present: Cllrs: C Miller (Chair); K Croft (Vice Chair); A Everitt; S Wright and D Stone. Clerk: Mrs B Kirkham.

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

Cllr Miller welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllr Simon Spencer (DCC).

2. Declaration of Interests

The Chair declared an interest as a relative of the Clerk.

3. Invited comments from County & District Councillors and members of the public

There were no members of the public, County or District Councillors present at this meeting.

4. Approval of Minutes of meeting held on the 10 January 2023

The Council resolved to accept the minutes of the last meeting held on the 10 January 2023 as a true record of that meeting.

5. Matters Arising from the last meeting

The cutting back of the undergrowth on the pavement from Bentley Corner had still not been done by the County Council. Work to tidy up the area around the shed had begun. The 20s Plenty signs had been well received and the Council resolved that the Clerk should order 10 more signs. **Action: Clerk**

6. Highway matters – flooding/potholes/traffic/bridge

There had been no further news on the pedestrian bridge over the river. Councillors were concerned about the potholes on the A515 and on Ashes Lane, Clerk was asked to report to Highways. **Action: Clerk**

7. Results of the Housing Needs Survey

There had only been a small response to the survey and more information was being sort from some of the people who had responded, further information would be available at the next meeting.

8. Acceptance of the £3,000 grant and placing of the order for a speed indicator device

The grant application to the Police & Crime Commissioner had been successful, the cost of the SID had increased. Clerk to apply to the County Council for an additional £1,000 grant. Cllr Croft to obtain an updated quote. The Council resolved to go ahead with the purchase of the speed indicator device. **Action: Cllr Croft & Clerk**

9. Storage of historical Parish Council records

The Clerk was to go through the historial records and all documents over 10 years old that needed to be kept were to be sent to the Derbyshire Records Office. **Action: Clerk**

10. Update on the National Lottery application for a Defibrillator for Bentley Corner

The Clerk had submitted the application and a decision would be known within 12 weeks.

11. Financial Report & Administration:

a) Approval of Clerk’s additional hours for website work

The Council resolved to pay the clerk for 10 additional hours for work done on the website so far.

Action: Clerk

b) Parish Council Elections

The Clerk reminded the Councillors that Parish Council elections would be held on the 4 May, the closing date for applications to be a Councillor was 4 pm on the 4 April

c) Approval for expenditure for flowers for village planters for summer 2023

The Council resolved to pay up to £30 towards the flowers for the village planters for summer 2023

Action: Clerk

d) Financial Statement

The balance in the current account was £3,924.65 and the balance in the deposit account was £52.86.

e) Items for approval and payment at this meeting

The Council resolved to approve payment of the following items:

Fenny Bentley PCC	75.00
Peak Park Parishes Forum	6.00
DALC Subscription	81.49
Clerk's Salary - Jan 23	69.90
Clerk's Salary - Feb 23	70.10
Clerk's Expenses	9.34

12. Clerk’s Report & Correspondence

All correspondence had been sent out electronically.

13. Plans to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles

The Chair informed the meeting that the FBI were planning Coronation celebrations for Sunday 7 May in a similar format to the celebrations held for the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee. The Council discussed the possibility of giving every child in Fenny Bentley a commemorative coin. **Action: Cllr Miller & Clerk**

14. Councillors Comments & Observations

It was noted that there had been no further information on the development of the building plot on Ashes Lane.

15. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting was to be held on Monday 22 May at 7 pm in Church. The meeting closed at 7.50 pm

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