

Beeford Parish Council Updates (9th April - May 2020)

Present: Chairman Keith McCloud,
Clerk to Parish Council Anne McCloud

1. To accept minutes of the meeting – Due to Covid-19 draft minutes in relation to the PC meeting dated Monday 9th March have been sent to Councillors via email (those who have the facility to receive) and will be proposed and seconded when the Parish Council meetings can recommence.

2. Matters arising

- a. An email dated 17th March 2020 was received from Mathew Buckley, Head of Legal & Democratic Services ERYCC in relation to COVID 19 and future Parish Council meetings. It was advised that a PC meeting be called as soon as possible to delegate the powers of duties of the Council to the clerk in consultation with the Chair as soon as possible to ensure that business can continue to be transacted. Unfortunately, due to isolation information issued by the Government, and confirmation the Community Centre was closed, it was not possible to hold such a meeting. It was therefore agreed that Parish councillors confirm via email or telephone that such powers can be delegated with immediate effect.
- b. A temporary scheme was set up by the Chairman and the clerk named yHELLOW in order to attract members of the community to volunteer to help those residents that are in isolation and in need of some help. There was a response and we had some residents offering their help as and when required. These volunteers have been transferred to BEPART and this is now playing an important part in helping those in isolation in our village. As a Parish Council we are now delivering small food parcels, the aim is to be on a weekly basis, these will consist of natural ingredients and will be locally sourced. Funded initially via the LWFF but hopefully via a grant which the Clerk has applied for under the project name of B.E.P.A.R.T. and is awaiting a decision at this time. The amount of food bags initially delivered was 32 but will increase as the project becomes more known to the village and has been placed on the website and Beeford media site.
- c. Mathew Buckley, Head of Legal and Democratic Services has confirmed that new Regulations have been put into force removing the requirements for Town & Parish Councils to hold an annual AGM in March/April/May 2020 and such a meeting will continue until the next annual meeting of the authority. Therefore, appointments of Chairs, Vice Chairs, Councillors Committees etc will remain the same until the next AGM which will be May 2021.

5. Correspondence

- a. Electoral Services confirming Co option of Parish Council Vacancy can go ahead.
- b. ERYCC/Tour de Yorkshire has been postponed due to ongoing Covid-19 situation and will be rescheduled later this year and funding applied for will be re-opened at a later date.
- c. ERCCC/VE Day has been postponed due to ongoing Covid-19 situation.
- d. Alan Bravey, Emergency Planning confirmed via email dated 22nd March that they are working together to determine how they can support vulnerable residents during this challenging time and will be treating this matter as one of their highest priorities. They will be working alongside HEY smile Foundation, a charity which works closely with private,

public and voluntary sectors, plans will be in place to set up a call centre from people that need the help the most. He also advised that we, as a Parish Council register with www.beecon.org which is hosted by HEY smile Foundation. The Clerk has registered with this organisation.

e. Village Taskforce Team, ERYCC have confirmed that the village walkabout for this year will be cancelled and rescheduled for 2021.

f. Mathew Buckley confirmed that delegated powers can be used and given to the Clerk in consultation with the Chair in making decisions regarding Planning Application during the periods that Parish Councils cannot meet.

g. ERNLLCA have been shut out of their offices at Waters Edge and working from home and are only available at a very limited time and states that all training is cancelled.

h. Many community alerts have been received via email from the community police who have confirmed they are patrolling our area in order to prevent Crime. They have also confirmed a lot of scams and ask that we be aware of these. You can register at alert@neighbourhoodalert.co.uk

i. Email received from Hornsea Hub who are trying to set up links to help vulnerable people and coordinate help throughout the coronavirus. They are prioritising those who live alone and have no relatives to help and they are being urgently advised to telephone **01482 395008**.

j. Email dated 2nd April received from the Ward Councillors offering support to Chairmen and Parish Clerks.

k. A letter to the Clerk was received 30th March from Sir Greg Knight MP highlighting support and information about COVID-19 in relation to nhs, isolation, business, etc.

l. Email received from Mary Williams regarding free education courses requesting their website be placed on ours. www.learnay.co.uk

6. Finance

a. Any cheques requiring signatures will be written and signed by the Chairman and a second signature will be sought as and when the demand arises for any cheques to be issued.

b. PFK Littlejohn (Audit Appointments) Accountants for yearend accounts 2019/20 are awaiting instructions from the Government in relation to completion of annual accounts.

7. Planning

a. 20/00812/PLF - 99 Main Street – change of use of integral garage to create a seating area.
- no comments/observations submitted to planning by the clerk.

b. 20/00376/PAD – Tiger Inn, Main Street – Facia signs – **Granted**

c. 20/00633/STVAR – Land South of 57 Main Street - Variation of Conditions - **Granted**

8. Children's Play Area

a. Closed until further notice.

9. Lissett Wind Farm – no updates

Dated 9th April 2020