

**I hereby give notice that you are required to attend the
MEETING OF BECKLEY PARISH COUNCIL on 10 OCTOBER 2023 at 7.30pm
in the Village Centre to resolve the matters shown in the agenda below**

Dated this day 5 October 2023

M. E. Philo Clerk and RFO.

AGENDA

- 1) **Public Questions** – 10 minutes. Allow questions (**maximum 2 minutes per person**) from members of the public following which they may leave the meeting if they wish, but must remain silent if they stay. A further period of public question time is allowed at the end of the meeting. Names of those speaking may be recorded and reported in the minutes.
- 2) **Apologies for absence.**
- 3) **Declarations of interest** whether personal or personal/pecuniary in accordance with the current Code of Conduct regarding matters on the agenda.
- 4) **Adjournment of meeting for reports from County and District Councillors**
(Parish Councillors to report under the specific item)
- 5) **Reconvening the meeting.**
- 6) **To consider and approve the signing by the Chairman of the minutes of the meeting of 12 September 2023.**
- 7) **Planning**
 - a) **Applications to consider**
 - I. [RR/2023/1944/P](#) Eastlands Cottage, Stoddards Lane: Variation of condition 3 on RR/2023/845/P to allow accommodation to be occupied by friends and family as well as short term let.
 - b) **Planning Permissions Granted**
 - I. RR/2023/1655/P The Gallery, Main Street: Internal refurbishment upgrading the thermal elements and additional 3 no conversion roof lights. Approved.
 - II. RR/2023/756/L The Gallery, Main Street: Internal refurbishment upgrading the thermal elements and additional 3 no conversion roof lights. Granted.
 - c) **Planning Applications Refused - None**
 - d) **Enforcements - None**
 - e) **For notification only (no comment to be made) – None**
- 8) **Finances**
 - i. Financial Report
 - ii. Monthly balance and sign off
 - iii. Budget for 2023-2024
To ask councillors and the public for suggestions for items for the next year's budget
 - iv. Asset List
To respond to Clerk's queries.
- 9) **Jubilee Fields, Play Area and MUGA Repairs and Improvements**
 - i. Note: Councillor Penny had removed all the glass from the play area and is emptying the

bins at the play area.

- ii. Report on regular checks of Jubilee Fields.
- iii. Update on moving the bins from the centre of the field to beside the roadside bins.
- iv. Jubilee Field – gap in hedge.
- v. To review the maintenance specifications (grass/hedges/spraying).

Specification circulated to councillors.

vi. To agree to acquire replacement perspex for the shelter from the manufacturer

Option 1

3mm thickness

1nr rear sheet £200.00 +vat

End panel sheet (sold in pairs) £220.00 +vat

Option 2

5mm thickness

1 near rear sheet £250.00 + vat

End Panel sheet (sold in pairs) £270.00

+ vat

Delivery £195.00 +vat

- vii. Any other issues or comments to report.

10) Land at Budden Green

Any issues or comments to report

11) Bus shelters and Defibrillators

- i. Hobbs Lane End of Main Street Bus Shelter Noticeboard

To agree to replace the noticeboard backing. Estimated cost £ tba

- ii. Bus Shelter opposite the pub crack in wall. Update.
- iii. Any other issues or comments to reports.

12) Resilience Planning

To discuss forming a plan and providing appropriate training in first aid and the use of defibrillators.

13) Newsletter

Review of the second publication.

14) Fingerpost Maintenance – Opposite King’s Bank Lane and

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To dig out and extract the finger-post sign from the Wealden Clay and remove it to our workshop for a full rub down to bare wood and primer. Treat any imperfections with a two part waterproof resin filler rub down and prepare for applying two coats of wood primer followed by two undercoats and two top coats of air-breathing black and white gloss paint. To pick out in black gloss all of the plastic/resin letters, numbers and fractions.

To return the completed sign to its site and reinstall into a drainage foundation of broken granite chippings to achieve both excellent stability and good water drainage

To firm up the oak post into a true vertical position and apply a dressing of 10mm pea beach shingle to go around the base of the posts.

For the Sum of £1396.00

(The Upgrade to the fitting of the permanent and indestructible black aluminum letters fitted with the permanent black stainless steel screws would cost **£300.00**)

Top Road

To dig out and extract the finger-post sign from the Wealden Clay and remove it to our workshop for a full rub down to bare wood and primer. Treat any imperfections with a two part waterproof resin filler rub down and prepare for applying two coats of wood primer followed by two undercoats and two top coats of air-breathing black and white gloss paint. To pick out in black gloss all of the plastic/resin letters, numbers and fractions. To return the completed sign to its site and reinstall into a drainage foundation of broken granite chippings to achieve both excellent stability and good water drainage To firm up the oak post into a true vertical position and apply a dressing of **10mm** pea beach shingle to go around the base of the posts.

For the Sum of £1489.00

(The Upgrade to the fitting of the permanent and indestructible black aluminum letters fitted with the permanent black stainless steel screws would cost **£496.00**)

Transportation costs for recovery and installation into the granite chippings is included in this price.

15) **Accounts** for approval (*VAT, if applicable, shown for items exceeding £100*).

Recipient	VAT	Total £	Recipient	VAT £	Total £
Clerk Salary including PAYE (PAYE £33.40)		738.84	Idea PC: third share of ink costs	N/A	£37.20
John O’Conner groundwork September invoice 101131		213.95	Village Hall Room Hire September	N/A	£18.90
M Philo: refund of acquisition of 4 large poppies for the village road side	£3.33	£20.00	Donation to Royal British Legion		£30.00
M Philo September Office allowance		£26	M Philo: refund office costs; Ream of paper from Tesco	79p	£4.75
Retiring Clerk’s Outstanding Salary inc paye £102.20 office charge		£504.96 £6.00	Esalc – Planning Training	£8	£48

16) **Information for Councillors (other information not covered in the items above)**

- i. Police focus groups – online – date will be between 9th November to 1st December.
- ii. East Sussex Association of Local Councils Annual General Meeting Tuesday 14th November Uckfield Centre 3 hours including light lunch.
- iii. Playing Field ditches: the Clerk has been contacted by a resident.
- iv. The consultation on increasing the scope of Permitted Development Rights in National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty passed without coming, in time, to the attention of most parishes.
- v. RBL thanked the parish council for the donation.
- vi. Residential Development in Rother Event – Thursday 2nd November 10am to 2pm Manor Barn Bexhill. Councillor Bunn will attend.

17) **Matters for consideration as an agenda item for the next meeting.**

18) **Public questions** - not to exceed 10 minutes.

Date of next meeting – 14 November 2023 commencing 7.30pm.
