

**I hereby give notice that you are required to attend the  
MEETING OF BECKLEY PARISH COUNCIL on 12 SEPTEMBER 2023 at 7.30pm  
in the Village Centre to resolve the matters shown in the agenda below**

Dated this day 6 September 2023

*M. E. Philo* Clerk and RFO.

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## 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) **Reports from County, District and Parish Councillors.**
- 5) **To consider and approve** the signing by the Chairman of the minutes of the PC meeting of 11 July 2023.
- 6) **PLANNING**
  - a) **Comments made under delegation during the August recess (LGA 1972 s.101)**
    - i. RR/2023/1414/P The Willows, Furnace Lane: Conversion and extension to existing outbuilding to create ancillary living accommodation and improved garage/workshop – Support.
    - ii. RR/2023/1445/P Freshfields, Horseshoe Lane: Variation of condition 2 imposed on planning permission RR/2023/766/P to allow for an amendment to the approved extension and a change of material for the roof tiles – Support.
    - iii. RR/2023/1310/P Chestnut Cottage, Main Street: Demolition of existing garage and store and erection of a new garage building containing home office – Support.
  - b) **Applications to consider**
    - i. [RR/2023/1655/P](#) The Gallery, Main Street: Internal refurbishment upgrading the thermal elements and additional 3 no conversion roof lights.
    - ii. [RR/2023/756/L](#) The Gallery, Main Street: Internal refurbishment upgrading the thermal elements and additional 3 no conversion roof lights.
    - iii. [RR/2023/1641/P](#) Beckley Gallery, Peasmarsh Road: Erection of North and South single storey extensions with pitched tiled roofs and minor changes to fenestration.
    - iv. [RR/2022/2763/P](#) Church Farm Bungalow, Main Street: Retrospective application for the erection of a wooden cabin to be used as ancillary living accommodation.
    - v. [RR/2023/1691/P](#) Little Heron House, Hobbs Lane: Demolition of disused stable block and replacement with an ancillary building to provide a plant room and guest accommodation. Change of use of land to domestic curtilage and associated works.
  - c) **Planning Permissions Granted**
    - i. RR/2023/1270/L Chestnuts, Main Street: Replacement of existing bay window with a new painted timber joinery unit. Granted.
    - ii. RR/2023/1310/P Chestnuts, Main Street: Demolition of existing garage building and store and erection of new garage building (with south facing solar panels) containing home office. Approved.

- iii. RR/2023/1100/P Great Bellhurst Bungalow, Land north of Hobbs Lane: Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) imposed on RR/2022/1581/P to improve layout and appearance. Approved.
- iv. RR/2023/1414/P The Willows, Furnace Lane: Conversion and extension to existing outbuilding to create ancillary living accommodation and improved garage/workshop. Approved.
- v. RR/2023/1130/P 3 Coombs Cottages, Hobbs Lane: Single Storey side extension to be used as an annexe (retrospective). Approved.
- vi. RR/2023/1445/P Freshfields, Horseshoe Lane: Variation of condition 2 imposed on planning permission RR/2023/766/P to allow for an amendment to the approved extension and a change of material for the roof tiles. Approved.

**d) Planning Applications Refused**

- i. RR/2023/779/P Fortune Cottage, Horseshoe Lane: Proposed woodland access and associated parking/working area for forestry activity – Refused.
- ii. RR/2023/1274/P Methersham Farm – Owl house, Hobbs Lane. Change of use of existing building to single, independent dwellinghouse (use class C3) – Refused.

**e) Enforcements**

ENF/332/22/BEC Land South of Whitbread Lane: Change of use – for storage and processing of timber together with stationing of storage container.

**f) For notification only (no comment to be made)**

- i. RR/2023/1809/TN Moorswood, Moores Lane: installation of 1x7m light pole.

**7) Finances**

**i. External Audit – to note that the external auditor has raised no issues for concern.**

**ii. To agree to contract Mulberry & Co to complete the internal audit for 2023-2024 and to sign up for three years to hold the hourly rate at £65 plus travel charge.**

**iii. Financial Report**

- iv. First quarter monthly breakdown and end of month balances to agree and sign off  
First quarter budget monitoring to review  
July and August monthly breakdown and end of month balance to agree and sign off.

**8) Newsletter**

Review of the first issue: frequency, cost and delivery.

**9) Health and Safety Statement**

**To agree the proposed policy wording.** (Copy circulated to councillors)

**10) Play Area and MUGA Repairs and Improvements**

Update on costs for work.

**11) Donations**

**To agree to donate to Air Ambulance – (last year £300)**

**To agree to donate to The British Legion Poppy Appeal) including the cost of wreath and 4 large poppies for the village entrances £60**

**12) Buddens Green**

Update on field condition

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

| Recipient  | VAT | Total £   | Recipient                                       | VAT £ | Total £ |
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| Clerk Salary including PAYE<br>(July to note that the amount was changed from the June agenda) |     | (591.24 ) | Refund M Philo 2 <sup>nd</sup> class stamp book |       | 7.20    |

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|---|-------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|--------|
| August<br>September<br>HMRC for July to Sept<br>But this will change for previous clerk |       | 886.43<br>738.84<br>Nil |                                    |       |        |
| John O’Conner groundwork<br>August inv 99333  |       | 213.95                  | Playsafety Limited inv 73309       | 34.90 | 209.40 |
| ESALC – Planning training x 2   | 16.00 | 96.00                   | Refund M Philo Beckley<br>Bulletin |       | 71.11  |
| M Philo July and August Office allowance  | £52   |                         |                                    |       |        |

15) **Information for Councillors (update on actions from last meeting and other information)**

- i. Natwest Bank – Councillor Vadorin signature was not recognised by the bank for the letter agreed at the last meeting. The signature has now been updated and the council address and statement address has been changed.
- ii. Lloyds Bank – with the signature recognition issue, the Lloyds switching service could not be used, so a new bank account is being set up and then the money will be transferred across.
- iii. Rural Rother Community Grants is now open.
- iv. Residential Development in Rother Event – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 10am to 2pm Manor Barn Bexhill.
- v. Balfour Beattie will be carrying out carriage works on Bickley Lane from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September to 26 September. It will be access only during that time.

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

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

**Date of next meeting – 10 October 2023 commencing 7.30pm.**

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