

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish of Little Bealings held on Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 1977 at 8.15p.m. in Bealings Village Hall.

Present were: Six Members of the Council.  
The Hon. Mrs Bull as the Parish's Member on Suffolk County Council.  
Mr. Macray as the Member of Suffolk Coastal District Council  
Nineteen other members of the Parish.

1. Mr Hamilton as Chairman of the Parish Council, took the Chair and apologies for absence were received from Mrs Goodman, Mrs Sladen and Mr Judd.
2. The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Parish held on 24<sup>th</sup> March 1976, were read and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
3. The Chairman reported on the various activities of the Council, during the past twelve months, and amongst a number of items, commented on the following –
  - a) The Council had met eleven times, two of which had been emergency Meetings to discuss Planning Applications.
  - b) Replacement of the barrier at the top of Station Meadow.
  - c) Possibility of placing "Give Way" signs at the crossroads.
  - d) Representation to Bentwaters concerning excessive aircraft noise.
  - e) The Council had again cause to check the noise nuisance from the Gravel Pit and to date this had improved – and the County Council were approached to ensure that refuse dumping was rigidly controlled.
  - f) The nuisance of Calor Gas Storage at Beacon Lane had been eliminated.
  - g) Several new Footpath signs have been erected.
  - h) Arrangements for the Silver Jubilee Celebrations have been planned as a joint effort by Great and Little Bealings.
  - i) The Council have kept a watching brief on the Suffolk County Structure Plan.
  - j) The Annual Audit has been held and the Parish Accounts adjudged correct.
  - k) The Chairman stated that with great reluctance, he had to report that Mr Sladen, who has been Clerk for 27 years, had tendered his resignation which had been accepted.  
In his place, the Council had appointed Mrs Seager of Great Bealings.
4. The Chairman presented Mr Sladen with a framed Ordnance Survey Map of Little Bealings in appreciation of all the help and guidance that the Council has received during the 27 years that Mr Sladen had been Clerk. The Hon Mrs Bull and Mr Macray confirmed these appreciations. In expressing his thanks, Mr Sladen said that he had enjoyed his years as Clerk and would be willing to help in any way in the future.
5. It was reported that objectors to the Southern By-Pass for Ipswich had submitted counter proposals for re-instatement of the Northern By-Pass which would intimately affect Little Bealings. The Council had responded by requesting representation at the Public Enquiry at the Copdock Hotel on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1977, at which Council Members would strongly object to all alternative routes other than the Southern By-Pass. In the discussion which followed, those present approved of the action which the Council had taken, and agreed to write individually to the Eastern Road Construction Unit to this effect.
6. Volunteers were called for to make a House-to-House Collection in Little Bealings for the Silver Jubilee Appeal.

7. In view of the impending County Council Elections, everyone was urged to vote.
8. It was reported that the road verges outside the Bowls Club had eroded and needed attention. The Chairman promised that this matter would be dealt with.

A Hamilton  
Chairman  
25 Apr. 1978