

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting of Little Bealings Parish Council held at Bealings Village Hall on Monday 10th April, 2000 at 7.30 p.m.

Four members of Council present - plus Sfk. County Cllr -. Mr S Bestow.

Apologies – Mr. A. Cook, Mr. E. McCoy, Mrs. F. Rogers

Mr Ward - as Chairman of Council - took Chair & welcomed those present.

MINUTES of Annual meeting held on 12th April, 1999, were read, confirmed & signed.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Mr Ward said 13 planning applications had been considered. Majority had been determined by District Council in accordance with Council's recommendations, except two which were approved, despite recommended refusal.

VILLAGE HALL. As in previous years, a further £500 had been paid into a capital fund for future major repairs. This year, £500 had been paid from this fund towards re-furbishment of the toilets.

Railway Station. Re-opening of Station had again been suggested, however funding for such a major undertaking would be difficult – also serious lack of parking facilities.

MILLENNIUM FUND Representatives of the P.C.C. & Parish Council had jointly organised various successful & enjoyable events during past year in order to raise capital for upkeep of ALL Saints church. A flower Festival in the Church – ART & Craft Exhibition in Village Hall & a Musical evening were held during August Bank Holiday weekend. A Quizz evening in November with an Evening with the Gyppeswyk Singers in February, & an Auction of Property & Promises on 1st April. Council had donated £100.

COUNCILLORS had attended various meetings, including S.A.L.C., Police Forums, & Development Control Seminar. Council also represented on Village Hall Committee. Clerk had also attended a computer course at OTLEY College.

FOOTPATHS As in previous years, the Council undertook maintenance of the footpath network under the Parish Paths Partnership Scheme, whereby an allowance is paid by County Council for work involved.

TRAFFIC LEVELS The general increase & speeding traffic continues to cause problems. Following a meeting with representatives of Sfk. C.C. negotiations on possible remedies proposed are in hand.

ANGLIAN WATER representatives attended a meeting in September to explain water mains replacement programme within Parish. This work was considered to be completed in a very efficient & satisfactory manner.

SINKS PIT Sfk C.c. have confirmed monitoring of gas continues to be carried out on a weekly basis. They have also confirmed the gas abstraction has stabilised the situation a site boundary adjacent to gardens, & consider bonfires in these gardens would not be endangered by gas migration.

BEACON HILL CROSSROADS. Highway Authority had been contacted about comparatively large no of accidents, resulting in damaged garden fences. Council suggested existing 'GIVE WAY' sign at top of hill, be replaced with "STOP" sign. Unfortunately conditions at this junction do not meet necessary criteria.

Meeting agreed unanimously to adoption of Report.

WELCOME PACK Mrs Cook stated contents need updating. It was decided all Organisations within Parish should be invited to contribute.

Meeting closed with Chairman thanking fellow Councillors & Clerk for all their support during past year.

J.R. Ward