

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish of Little Bealings held on Tuesday, 25th April 1978 at 8.15p.m. in Angela Cobbold Hall.

Present were: Seven Members of the Council.
Mr. Macray as the Member of Suffolk Coastal District Council
Four other members of the Parish.

1. Mr Hamilton as Chairman of the Parish Council, took the Chair and apologies for absence were received from the Hon Mrs Bull, the Parish's Member on Suffolk County Council.
2. The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the Parish held on 25th April 1977, were read and confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
3. Matters Arising. The eroding road verges outside the Bowls Club had been dealt with by Suffolk County Council.
4. The Chairman reported on the various activities of the Council during the past twelve months and stated that the Council had met nine times – only one of which had been an emergency meeting to consider planning applications. Nine other planning applications had been considered and the relevant recommendations made.

The Chairman had represented the Council at the Public Enquiry into the proposed Southern By-Pass held in Ipswich during May, June and July 1977. Since that date, an objection to the conduct of the Enquiry had been lodged with the Ombudsman by, it is believed, the Railway Invigorating Society, which would probably further delay a final decision by the Inspector and the Minister.

Various areas subject to flooding had been reported to the Anglia Water Authority and the Council had recommended to the Electoral Returning Officer that instead of using the School as a Polling Station, consideration be given to using either of the available Village Halls.

The Council had agreed to the obliteration of Footpath No.14 and for the re-instatement of Footpaths 13/15 across Halls Gravel Pit.

Emergency precautions had been arranged during the Firemen's Strike but fortunately these were not needed.

The accounts for the years ending 31st March 1977 and 31st March 1978 were being audited at the District Council's Offices and all relevant documents had been available for inspection by the Public. The Meeting unanimously endorsed the report.

5. The Meeting confirmed the Council's view that Little Bealings would not enter the Best Kept Village Competition but details of a children's Poster Competition would be passed to the Primary School.
6. A letter from Bealings Village Hall Management Committee requesting Grant Aid towards the cost of roof repairs costing about £1000 was read to the Meeting. It was reported that the Village Hall had been built 21 years ago as the result of a joint effort by both Great and Little Bealings and that Great Bealings Parish Council had also been asked for a Grant. The Meeting confirmed the decision made by the Council previously, that the equivalent of a 1.5 penny rate, ie £855 should be presented to the Village Hall Management Committee.

7. The Meeting endorsed the opinion of a Councillor who stated that Mrs Seager had proved a most suitable replacement for Mr Sladen.

A Hamilton
Chairman
Lt. Bealings Parish Council
28 March 1979