

Minutes of Annual Meeting of Lt Bealings Parish held in Bealings Village Hall on Monday 10th April 1995 at 7.30 p.m.

Six member of Council present – plus 5 parishioners, & P.C. Sheernan, with apologies for absence from Dr. C. Rowe.

Mr J. Theodosius, as Chairman for the Council, took the Chair and welcomed those present.

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on 18th April, 1994, were read, confirmed and signed.

1. MATTERS ARISING: LEACHATE – Sinks Pit.

The extraction plant is now operational, but cannot operate at full power until the Cliff Quarry extension sewer is completed. Measures have been taken to reduce the ammonia content and the re-circulation of leachate onto landfill site has ceased.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Mr Theodosius stated 1994/5 had been a reasonably quiet one with no major conflicts or problems, although there were still old ones rumbling in the background. Most familiar was KESGRAVE BYPASS INQUIRY. The Inspector's decision to recommend to the Secretary of State that Orders should NOT BE confirmed was received with much relief. However, the C.C. disagreed with two aspects and sought leave to apply for a Judicial Review. This was granted & will presumably be completed this year.

IPSWICH NORTHERN BYPASS. The announcement of proposals for this bypass produced a storm of protest, not only locally, but by the Government which stated it was contrary to current policy and there was no money available now or in the foreseeable future. C.C. have now withdrawn four of the proposed routes. Public consultation on the latest proposals is imminent with leaflets being delivered to all households in the affected parishes. Chairman urged all parishioners to attend an exhibition scheduled for 11th May in the Village Hall & to make comments known to both C.C. & Parish Council, as undoubtedly this parish needs to be ever vigilant concerning changing circumstances if present environment is to be protected.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW Sfk review has been completed by Local Government Commissions and recommendations submitted to Secretary of State. It is anticipated status quo will be retained, with role of Parish Councils being enhanced – particularly in planning matters, in view of their detailed local knowledge.

SINKS PIT. An item, seldom off the Agenda. Currently an Appeal is taking place against Enforcement Notices served on the Pit operators by Sfk. C.C. If C.C. win the Appeal, operations will cease and the area restored to a natural state, If they lose, this subject will continue to appeal on future Agendas.

SPEED RESTRICTIONS The long awaited 30MPH speed limit should be introduced in Lt. Bealings this year. This will apply to Hall Road & down over railway, through The Street and on into Gt. Bealings. Also from Martlesham Rd by bridge to Lux Farm on Playford Rd & it is hoped west of Holly Close on Holly Lane. Chairman reminded meeting to contact Local Beat Officer – PC Martin Sheeran, should any problems arise concerning parking.

IDENTIFICATION OF RURAL PROPERTIES. A list of names & addresses of "difficult to find" & isolated premises within the parish has been sent to Police Crime Prevention Panel who are compiling a precise grid reference system, to assist emergency services experiencing difficulties in finding such properties.

PRECEPT In anticipation of a Parish Election, precept was raised to £750. Expenses for this year similar to previous years, with exception of donation towards the provision of toilets for the disabled at the Village Hall.

ANNIVERSARIES Chairman pointed out that 1996 is the Centenary of the Parish Council & it is also the 700th anniversary of the Parish Church, a unique opportunity for a combined celebration.

ELECTIONS A reminder to everyone that the Parish Council is made up of local people, elected by local people to present local people & urged parishioners to keep in touch with Councillors and to attend meetings to help them help you.

Mr Theodosius stated he would not be standing for election in May and this would be his last report as Chairman, a position he had enjoyed.

In conclusion, Chairman thanked Clerk and fellow Councillors, for help & support, with special mention to Mr. G. Ball – present Vice Chairman, who is also retiring.

It was proposed by Mr. J Ward, seconded by Mr A. Cook & carried unanimously that the report be adopted.

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

SPEED RESTRICTIONS A question was raised as to whether consideration had been given to the possibility of neighbouring villages sharing speed cameras & costs involved. P.C. Sheeran to investigate.

After discussion it was decided to dispute the decision concerning speed limits to include junction of Holly Close/Holly Lane. County Councillor to be contacted.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS In reply to question as to why Angela Cobbold Hall was not used for Council meetings, Chairman stated there was no reason, merely carrying on the tradition of what predecessors did. It was pointed out that parking could present a problem at Angela Cobbold Hall.

Meeting closed with Mr Theodosius thanking all those who had attended.

J.R. Ward