

# **BEDINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING WAS HELD ON MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2022  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL

**Present:** Councillors: R Housley, P List, M Booth, S Fuller, A Lawrence

**1 Apologies.** None

## **2 Election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman**

R Housley was thanked for his leadership as chairman.

R Housley was elected chairman. Proposed P List, seconded S Fuller and all agreed.

R Housley was happy to accept and thanked members for their support.

M Booth was elected as Vice-chairman. Proposed A Lawrence, seconded S Fuller.

## **3 Code of Conduct and Standing Orders**

These were circulated with the agenda.

All the councillors agreed to adopt the Code of Conduct and Standing Orders for the coming year.

## **4 Declarations of interest.**

R Housley declared an interest in Item 9, Finance, newsletter

## **5 Minutes.**

The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted as correct.

Proposed M Booth, seconded S Fuller. They were then signed and dated.

## **6 Matters arising**

The VETS list for the defibrillators has been updated. Community Heartbeat Trust no longer provide training so quotes for training need to be sought. Instructions with the defibrillators are very easy to follow and self-explanatory. Checks need to be made to ensure new residents have the defibrillator number and VETS telephone number.

## **7 Correspondence**

There is a MSDC Governance Review to enable the Council to consider what changes are needed to parish arrangements if any. The consultation closes on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022

## **8 Planning**

The councillors had no objections to the following planning applications:

Listed building consent to install windows on the west and north elevation of Boars Barn.

Permission to erect a lean-to extension to agricultural building at Flemings Hall Farm.

Permission for change of use, conversion and extension to form a dwelling and erection of a cart lodge at Flemings Hall Farm.

Listed building consent to re-line a chimney and add a ceramic chimney pot at Church Farm Cottage.

## **9 Finance**

Councillors thanked the clerk for producing the accounts.

An internal audit of the accounts has been completed by R Berry.

The accounts for 2021/22 were examined by the councillors. All the councillors were in favour that these should be signed as correct. Proposed M Booth, seconded S Fuller. They were then closed, signed and dated.

The Certificate of Exemption from an external audit was accepted, completed and signed.

The following expenses had been paid

Heartbeat Trust for replacement Defib pads £112.80 Cheque no 100393

Heartbeat Trust VETS Scheme £120 Cheque no 100394

Councillors agreed to pay MSDC Litter bin emptying when the invoice is received.

R Housley declared an interest.

R Housley explained that no donation is required for the newsletter this year.

## **10 Church clock**

Engineers from Croydon have inspected the clock, which is good condition. An electric motor for winding the clock would be linked to the clock by a small spindle. An electric socket is beside the clock. A service would also be recommended. Special oil has been left for the clock and we await estimates.

## **11 Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

A committee has been formed to organise the celebrations, which will take place on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June 12-4pm using the Village Hall and car parking area. Permission has been given to park cars on concrete in Mr Munter's yard. Any memorabilia would be appreciated.

The Festival of Suffolk torch relay will arrive in the village about 11am on 25<sup>th</sup> May. Mr D Scott will travel in the rickshaw, photos will be taken at the Village Hall before journeying up to Plash Knoll.

## **12 AOB**

S Fuller advised the councillors that he would be moving to Debenham before the next meeting. It was agreed and he would continue his term of office until the next election for parish councillors.

## **13 NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 7:30pm

Everyone was thanked for attending.