

## BEESTON REGIS PARISH COUNCIL - Update 2. - May, 2020.

Note: Updates, when approved by the delegated councillors (MK, RB, MW), will form part of the BRPC records, and will sit alongside and act as the minutes, until normal meetings are resumed. Updates will be sent towards the end of each month.

Matters brought forward from update 1.

1. NNDC Coronavirus Community Support Programme: Volunteers, organised by NNDC, continue to support parishioners by delivering groceries, medicines, etc. co-ordinated from the Hub at Splash (01263 516000).
2. Vehicle Activated Sign: N.Wright kindly moved the VAS from the A149 to Britons Lane following his observations re increased traffic movements on the lane.
3. Annual Insurance: Following R.Beckley's review of our insurance he has recommended that we go with Came & Co's advice and insure with Penn Underwriting Ltd. (Insurance provider for AXA). RB is still awaiting further information from Came & Co. before issuing instructions to the Clerk re issuing the cheque, but the annual premium should be little more than £30 over last year. (the 3 year deal works out at £760.55 per annum)
4. Electricity Contract: This was agreed and a new contract has been signed by the Chairman with E-on for supplies to 30/4/2023. The average unit rate of 16.1p (Kwh) is slightly higher than our current price of 14.4p (Kwh) but secures us what is a good deal for nearly 3 years. This seemed the best way forward in what are going to be difficult economic times.

New Matters:

1. NCC Highways Inspection: A Streetscene Inspector visited the parish week

Commencing 18/5/20. He was mainly concerned with maintaining the safety of the highway network with priority given to potholes, incidences of standing water, and mud on the road. Highways Rangers should follow rectifying any reported problems.

2. VE 75: Roy Beckley kindly acknowledged VE 75 in the parish by displaying

signage he adapted on the village sign.

3. North Norfolk Business Impact Survey: A survey to assist NNDC watch

recovery plans and help form business support programmes, has been issued to businesses in the parish.

4. Offshore Ring Main – update received: With around 20 huge energy

projects already proposed that will impact Norfolk and Suffolk over the next

few years there is an urgent need for strategic planning of this energy

transition at central government level. With many windfarms in the pipeline

the current grid connection arrangements will entail devastating adverse

impacts for local communities such as N.Norfolk. An ORM or an alternative

needs to be considered urgently.

5. Update from the Norfolk Coast Partnership: The NCP have responsibility for the conservation and enhancement of the natural beauty of the Norfolk

Coast AONB. They are asking people not to visit at this time. Further information on their website.

6. Update from Norfolk CC – Norfolk Resilience Forum: Messages from Tom McCabe (NCC), Dr.Louise Smith (Director of Public Health, NCC), and the Chief Constable - again as in item 5 urging visitors to stay away.

7. Possible fly-tipping on footpath (northern end of Abbey Pk): A member has reported this to the Clerk and the Chair has written to Sarah Butikofer (Leader of NNDC) and reported it on the NNDC portal. We await a reply.

8. Planning: PF/20/0817: Mursley, Britons Lane: As emailed to members – replies to Clerk by 11.6.20

9. Accounts approved and paid (May, 20): E.Farrow £44.00 (VAS mtce) P.Bullimore £316.40 (Clerks net salary), HMRC £11.20 (tax on salary), Morston PC £3.39 (photocopying charges), Secret Gardens £130.00 (grass), Came & Co £ (premium to be determined re annual insurance), and P.Bullimore £46.19 (clerks exps).

10. Receipts (May, 20): the following have been received in the last month :- Norfolk CC £1147.88 (grass cutting subsidy), Norfolk CC. £240.00 (road sign cleaning), NNDC £6250.00 (first half years precept).