

Minutes of the meeting of Great Bealings Parish Council held on Monday 11th August 2025 at Bealings Village Hall

Present: Sue Prentice (Chairman) (SP), Caroline Saunders (CS), Trevor Harris (TH), Regan Scott (RS), Caroline Saunders (CS), Colin Hedgley (CH)

In attendance: Mrs Dee Knights (DPK) - Clerk to the Council, Rob Munn

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted from John Carter-Jonas

2. Declarations of Interest

NRI - CH

3. Declarations of Lobbying and Responses to Lobbying

None

4. Public Participation Session – none present

5. Planning Applications:

- (a) **DC/25/1971/LBC – The Boot, Boot Street** – Listed Building Consent – Replacement of hardwood door and door frame on western elevation

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to support this application.

- (b) **DC/25/2670/CLE – Cherry Tree Cottage, Seckford Hall Road** – Certificate of Lawful Use (Existing) – Use of outbuilding as woodstore to Cherry Tree Cottage (ancillary residential use)

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to support the application for a Certificate of Lawful Use

- © **DC/25/1733/FUL – Reconsultation – Land at Lodge Road** – Change of use of land from agriculture to an enclosed dog exercise field comprising of a car parking area for five cars, construction of access gates, construction of a shelter, erection of fencing and other works

It was **RESOLVED** unanimously to support this application.

- (d) **Any other application** – None

6. Community Self-Help Committee

Rob Munn (RM) outlined details of the SCC's Community Self Help Scheme and explained the work in the Parish that could be undertaken. Funding for equipment, safety-clothing, signage, cones are available providing the Scheme is carried out under the auspices of the Parish Council. Cllrs were strongly in favour of such a scheme and appointed a Great Bealings Community Self Help Advisory Committee comprising SP, RM, TH, CS, RL and RS. The Clerk advised that the quorum needs to be 3 and Terms of Reference will need to be written. These will be drafted. RM said that a risk assessment must also be done in order to comply with Health and Safety.

It was **RESOLVED** that SP has the approval of the Parish Council to sign the necessary paperwork.

7. Westerfield Quarry

SP asked if, in principle, the PC wanted to submit comments to express objection. This was agreed by Cllrs. SP outlined some of the contentious statements in the Planning Application and some of the main areas on which to base an objection. She will draft a response and circulate it for comment.

8. Correspondence

The Parish Council has been asked if it would be willing to host a Parish-specific meeting for residents to have an informal session with Patrick Spencer MP. Unfortunately, the only location in the village which would be suitable for such meeting is the Village Hall, which is not available on the day and time that has been offered. A request for an alternative time has been sent.

9. Date of next meeting – Monday 1st September at 6.30pm

The meeting closed at 7.00pm

Signed.....
Chairman