

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BECKBURY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT BECKBURY VILLAGE HALL, BECKBURY, ON
WEDNESDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY, 2020, AT 7.30 P.M.**

- 122. PRESENT: Councillors C. Steventon (Chairman), P.C. Gibbins, D. Tooth, D.M. Cummings, M.S. Breeze, D. DeCourcy, J.S. Paice.**
- 123. APOLOGIES: Shropshire Councillor M.L. Wood.**
- 124. IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk.**
- 125. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
No Declarations of Interest received.**
- 126. MINUTES:
The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th December, 2019, copies of which had been circulated to Members, were taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.**
- 127. SMART WATER KITS:
The Chairman reported no further progress on this item.**
- 128. BECKBURY COMMUNITY SHOP:
Councillor Gibbins reported that trading had been quiet during January. They now had a new Chairman who would be encouraging recycling.**
- 129. BECKBURY CHURCH CLOCK – SERVICE AGREEMENT:
The Clerk reported that the previous 3 year service agreement had now ended and Smiths of Derby were offering a new agreement at a cost of £368 net plus VAT.**
- RESOLVED that the new agreement of £368 plus VAT be accepted.**
- 130. BECKBURY PARISH PLAN:
Members agreed that Councillor Gibbins and Councillor Paice finalise the Document and submit it to the Parish Council at the March meeting for final approval.**
- 131. BECKBURY VILLAGE HALL:
Councillor D.DeCourcy reported that the committee were looking at various ways of obtaining grants and fund raising was continuing for the refurbishment of the Hall.**

132. POLICE MATTERS:

The Clerk reported that the new Safer Neighbourhood Officer for Shifnal and Albrighton is Pc Amanda Broadley who has taken over from Pc Jess Hindley,

133. BECKBURY PLAYING FIELDS:

The Chairman stated that apart from the grass being too wet to cut he had had nothing further to report.

134. VILLAGE MAINTENANCE:

Members were pleased to comment on the exposure of the pot hole problems within the Parish had received television coverage. It was now hoped that the problem of pot holes will be addressed.

Members raised the problem of parked cars outside Mr. Fields business premises which were causing problems to other road users. The Chairman indicated that he would speak to Mr. Field on this matter.

135. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Members considered the following Planning Application.

20/00107/FUL Erection of a two storey side and single storey rear Extension at Snowdon Cottage, 3, Snowdon Road, Beckbury.

RESOLVED – No objections to the application.

136. FINANCE;

The Clerk presented the following accounts for approval and payment.

Salary	£180,32
Petty Cash	£ 20.00
Beckbury Village Hall	£ 20.00
Tranter Training Solutions Ltd.	£346.80 (Paid)

Resolved accordingly.

137. CLERKS RETIREMENT:

The Clerk informed Members that it was intention to retire from the position of Clerk to the Parish Council after 26 years in post. The Clerk suggested that he would continue until and include the May meeting in order to present the annual accounts and set up the new Council following the elections in May. Members thanked the Clerk for his service to the Parish Council and agreed that the gratuity agreed at Confidential Minute dated 6th October, 2010 amounting to £1136 be paid at the March meeting in order that it can be accounted for in 2019/2020 accounts.

Members also agreed that an advert for a new Clerk be advertised within the Parish only

**Chairman
4th March. 2020.**

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