

BENTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON AT BENTLEY VILLAGE HALL ON -THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7.30 PM – PRECEDED BY A PLAYING FIELD SOCIETY MEETING AT 7PM

7. a) **Bentley Conservation Area – Revision of Conservation Area Appraisal & Management Plan** – Babergh’s revision of the Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan (CAAMP) is ongoing. One of the Management Plan actions is how Bentley Parish Council will publicise the Conservation Area and one proposal is that we provide an information board. Siting of the board needs to be considered where it can be viewed safely – maybe the churchyard would be a good place – it was agreed that the PCC would need to be approached for permission. Cllr Feltwell declared a non pecuniary interest re approaching the PCC.

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- 8.a) **Bentley Conservation Area – Revision of Conservation Area Appraisal & Management Plan** – Babergh are still updating the Conservation Management Plan following the Consultation
- b) **Siting of information board & signage for the Conservation Area** – PCC has given permission to site an outdoor lectern in the Closed Churchyard. A donation has been made by the Ganzoni Trust of £5K to fund this and other signage. It was therefore proposed that we take advantage of this money from the Ganzoni Trust to purchase finger post signage and an information board.

Proposed Cllr M Munday Seconded Cllr A Thomas All in favour CU

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- 7.a) **Bentley Conservation Area – Revision of Conservation Area Appraisal & Management Plan** – The revised Bentley Conservation Area Appraisal and Management Plan (CAAMP) was adopted unanimously by Babergh District Council. Compliments on the quality of the work and detail in the CAAMP were made by members of the Council.
- b) **Siting of information board & signage for the Conservation Area** – Progress is being made on the information board – thank you to our District Councillor for a contribution from his Locality Budget towards these costs. We are working with the PCC as to where it will go – so it can be protected and accessible. We have also had a £5K donation from the Ganzoni Trust which will go towards the cost of the board and signage. We are looking to engage a local artist to see if they can produce an illustrated map of the area at a cost of £300. Cllr Bamford thanked Cllr Munday for all her work on this.

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- b) **Siting of information board & signage for the Conservation Area** – Work is still progressing a local artist is producing an illustrated map – draft drawings will hopefully be available at the next Parish Council meeting. Talks are ongoing re siting of the board in the shelter by the roadside at the Church.