Minutes of a Parish Meeting held at Bealings Village Hall on Thursday 28th June 1979, at 8p.m.

Present - Seven Councillors and a Press Representative.

The Chairman, Mr Hamilton, explained that the Meeting had been convened as required by law to discuss the Suffolk County Council Special Review of the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way. The purpose of the Review is to ensure that the Map is as up to date as possible by amending it to take account of events which have occurred between 1st January 1961 and the Date of Review which is 1st October 1979, and to ensure that the Rights of Way are correctly recorded on the Definitive Map.

The Councillors had walked all of the Rights of Way and completed the relevant forms as required by Suffolk County Council.

Observations were made on the following paths.

Footpath 1. Admiral's Head to bottom of Richards Drive It was unanimously agreed that although this Footpath could be re-classified under new regulations as a Byway Open to All Traffic, it would be defined as a Footpath in order that some control could be maintained by the Grove Farm Residents' Association over traffic usage.

Footpath No. 3. Junction of Sandy Lane/Richards Drive to boundary with Great Bealings near Playford Mount. Path inaccessible at side of 6th Council House.

No 8 – Continuation of Footpath 7 (start at Admiral's Head) to Great Bealings Footpath 12. As field boundaries – and therefore location points – were obliterated, it was suggested that marker posts should indicate the footpath.

Footpath 10, 10a & 11 – Colonel Randes Path to Martlesham Boundary. Signs are needed to indicate the correct routes.

Footpaths 13, 14, 15, 16. All the footpaths have been diverted due to gravel extraction and refuse tipping. It was recommended that present routes be shown on map as temporary diversions and new routes agreed when area no longer used.

Footpath 18. From north side of Grove Farm to Playford boundary. The farmer is agreeable to move the footbridge so that the path would avoid the obstacles (slurry pit etc) in the yard.

It was suggested – and agreed – that Footpath 18 should be extended to the east edge of copse, north east of Pogson's Farm – to join to Playford Footpath 9.

The footpath created by the County Council in 1971 and running from the Village Hall Car Park, along the road boundary in the Playing Field and terminating at the field entrance opposite Manor Farm entrance would be drawn on the map, as would a Footpath from the North East Corner of Richards Drive to Holly Lane.

A Hamilton Chairman 31 March 1980