

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Memorial Hall on Thursday 19th March 2026 at 7.30pm
(to be approved at the Parish Council meeting to be held on 16th April 2026)

PRESENT: Cllrs. F. Mason-Hornby, A. Wren, J. Oston, M. Taylor, K. Crayston, G. Isherwood, V. Hughes
Also present: Parish Clerk: Christine Davidson and Burton News Rep.

9 members of the public were present.

1) RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Daly

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:

Cllr Hughes declared an interest in Item 8a as a member of the W & F Planning Committee

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 19th February 2026, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

4) MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND NOT ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

a) Burton Thistle FC Ground Update – The Chairman of the club has spoken to the Clerk and explained that they have met the Planning Officers and will be putting in a retrospective planning application. In the meantime they will be painting the containers green and the hedge will be allowed to grow to help screen them from the road.

5) RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

None

6) OPEN FORUM

a) The majority of the members of the public in attendance were at the meeting to express their concerns over the traffic and speeding and their support for a 20 mph limit through the village. The Chairman explained the process that has to be taken and also gave the speed indicator data along with a speed survey elsewhere in the village. The Chairman also advised the members of the public to stay and listen to the discussions on the subject later in the meeting.

b) Members of the public also raised concerns regarding the Home to School Transport Consultation issued by W & F Council. The Parish Council listened to the concerns and agreed to consider them when discussing the item under 8B of the Agenda.

7) REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

District Cllr Hughes had not report from W & F other than items already included in the Agenda.

8A PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2026/0354/FPA 11 & 12 Hutton Close, Burton-in-Kendal

Joint application for number 11 & 12 – single storey rear extension, number 11 single storey side extension and number 12 change of front fenestration and loft conversion with a rear dormer.

No comments or objections.

8B) WESTMORLAND AND FURNESS COUNCIL HOME TO SCHOOL TRANSPORT CONSULTATION.

This consultation has been circulated to all Councillors and the link will be available from the website as well as published in Burton News.

W & F Council are proposing significant changes to the Home-to-School Transport which will have an impact on any families especially in Rural Areas.

Cllr Wren proposed that the Parish Council respond to this consultation outlining the following points:

- Reduced school choice where catchment based transport ends
- Possible shifts in pupil numbers affecting rural school sustainability
- Longer and more difficult journeys where public transport is limited
- Increased financial pressure on rural families, particularly SEND families
- Loss of historic village school connections and friendship groups.

Cllr Crayston seconded this proposal and it was unanimously agreed.

The Parish Council also encouraged all residents to respond reporting local transport issues and unsafe walking routes.

9. REGISTER INTEREST IN W & F 20MPH SPEED LIMIT PROGRAMME

The Parish Council considered the Westmorland and Furness Council 20mph Speed Limit Programme and the opportunity for communities to be included in future phases.

Councillors agreed that there is public interest in exploring a 20mph scheme within the parish.

It was noted that the programme is community-led, and that any scheme will require clear and ongoing support from residents, including identification of suitable roads, evidence of need, and active engagement throughout the process.

Councillors further noted that inclusion in the programme is subject to a phased process and timescales set by Westmorland and Furness Council, and that progression is not guaranteed.

Cllr Crayston proposed that Burton-in-Kendal Parish Council registers an expression of interest in the Westmorland and Furness Council 20mph Speed Limit Programme, seconded by Cllr Oston and agreed unanimously.

10. PROPOSED DIVERSION OF FOOTPATH 5070014

The Highways Department have proposed a diversion of Footpath 507014 following the recommendation from HM Coroners Service. This diversion moves the exit of the footpath onto the A6070 to just within the 30 mph zone and where there is already a field gate.

There were no objections to this proposed diversion.

11. GRASS CUTTING

It was agreed to formally appoint D & C Atkinson to carry out the grass cutting for 2026 and 2027

12. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Note the bank balances and authorise the following payments

Current Account: £3276.61
Deposit Account: £14,855.36

The reconciliation was checked and signed by Cllr M Taylor

The following payments were authorised.

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| a) Clerks Salary & Expenses | £452.30 |
| b) HMRC PAYE | £330.40 |
| c) Burton News advertising invoice | £125.00 |
| d) Burton News Grant | £500.00 |
| e) McAfee anti virus | £45.99 |

13. OUTSTANDING ITEMS

No	Item	Reported by	Action	Status
1	Traffic Calming Burton Traffic calming and speed reduction Clawthorpe			Discussion took place and Clerk to contact Graham Wheelhouse to arrange to meet to discuss affordable and viable traffic calming solutions
2	Community Asset Register	FMH	CD	Ongoing
3	Meadow Close to Boon Town footpath	JCO/VH/Clerk		Cllr Oston is proceeding with formalisation of link from Meadow Close to Boon Town. Ongoing

				Works on Drainage and surface will be carried out by Highways in April 2026
4	19 Trees			Planting to be arranged. Saplings to be identified from neighbouring woodlands. Cllr FMH to arrange dig some test holes to ensure ground is suitable
5	Market Cross work			Repair done. Pointing to be done and plinth for West side bench. 2 quotes received so far – need to wait until Spring now. One more quote required
7	Casual Vacancy			Still one Vacancy
8	Playground Working Group	VH		Group formed and grant applications are being put together. No meeting since last Parish Council meeting

14) REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK.

- a) Cllr Wren was asked if anyone had made contact with the Quarry to restart the Quarry Liaison Committee – Clerk to email Geoff Storey
- b) Cllr Wren asked the Clerk to contact the building company working at Hordley House as they were parking on the pavement and causing obstruction to both pedestrians and vehicles.
- c) Cllr Oston reported the light on Caterpillar Walk was out again and would report online.

15) TO RECEIVE AND ACTION COMMUNICATION RECEIVED.

Various CALC correspondence
Various W & F correspondence

13) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be the Thursday 16th April 2026 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: