

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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

PRESENT: Cllrs. F. Mason-Hornby, A. Wren, J. Oston, M. Taylor, K. Crayston, G Isherwood, C. Daly, V Hughes
Also present: Burton News Rep

1) RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Clerk Christine Davidson due to illness.

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:

None

3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 15th January 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 met with Planning Enforcement Officers and will be seeking advice etc regarding the current temporary changing facilities. Water filled barriers have been put up in the parking area – this is for safety following the terrible accident at Kendal Rugby Club. The club now has 8 teams including juniors and a girls teams.
- b) Main Street rainwater goods outfall concern – W & F Council cannot change the direction of the water outfall over the pavement as they are privately owned. The do however grit the pavements when necessary. Discussion took place regarding the outfall of the Royal Oak downpipes as the owner previously acknowledged this would be addressed but no action has been taken

5) RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

None

6) OPEN FORUM

No members of the public were present

7) REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

District Cllr Hughes updated the meeting on the various ongoing highways issues especially the school crossing and the missing 30mph markers etc.

District Cllr Hughes has been in contact with the newly formed Speeding Working Group and updated the Councillors on the feedback received from a recent resident's survey. The Councillors answered questions raised by the group and Cllr Hughes will report back to them.

District Cllr Hughes has donated £500 from the locality funding to the First Responders for a new Defibrillator.

8) CONSIDER BURTON NEWS FUNDING REQUEST

Cllrs requested further information from Burton News as to how the magazine was intending to increase their own funding this year. The Editor clarified that

- Charities were not charged for adverts but some chose to donate
- Only businesses were charged
- They have approached new businesses but limited response
- Pricing has remained static since 2024
- Printing costs have risen from 35p to 50p

Cllrs suggested that the PC be charged for their advert. A Cllr asked if there was an option to 'opt out' of a paper copy and have the BN online. This is currently not available.

Cllrs approved the £500 donation

9) CONSIDER QUOTATIONS RECEIVED FOR 2026 GRASS CUTTING

Three quotations were received from local contractors for the grass cutting around the village. Quotes ranged from £3372 per annum to £2100 per annum. It was agreed to go with the lowest quotation from D & C Atkinson providing they can hold the price for 2 years.

10) INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

Note the bank balances and authorise the following payments

Current Account: £3735.11

Deposit Account: £14,855.36

The reconciliation was checked and signed by Cllr A Wren

The following payments were authorised.

a) Clerks Salary & Expenses £452.50

11) OUTSTANDING ITEMS

No	Item	Reported by	Action	Status
1	Traffic Calming Burton Traffic calming and speed reduction Clawthorpe			Proposals put to Highways Chased for an update FOI requested from Police – clerk to follow up Requested lines and speed limit markers be repainted. SID Data downloaded and circulated
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

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
6	Dark Sky Initiative			Remove from list – discussion regarding Quarry lights and it was suggested that the Quarry Liaison group be reformed
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

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

- a) Cllr Isherwood highlighted changes to highways on Moss Lane with extra tarmac and more prominent kerb stones.
- b) Cllr Mason-Hornby requested that the lengthsman attend to the signs as they need cleaning and vegetation trimming back at the end of Tarn Lane at the junction with A6070

13) 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 19th March 2026 and will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: