

BURTON- IN -KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 19 March 2009 at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT: Cllrs. F.Mason-Hornby (Chairman), R.Boddy, J.Brown, J.Hopwood, I.Hunt, G.Isherwood, P.Rogers, A.Wren, District Cllr.R.Bingham, District Cllr. B.Cooper, C.Dale (Clerk).

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Seven members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr. R.Lawson

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None

3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 19 FEBRUARY:** Having been previously circulated, the minutes were confirmed as correct after changing Item 14 to read '.. Post Boxes & Red Telephone Box – Cllrs.Hunt & Wren.' The Chairman then signed and dated the minutes.

4. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (Action)

- A request from SLDC to update their South Lakeland Development Framework map was considered. The Chairman proposed the details be entered after the end of the meeting for the Clerk to return to SLDC (CD)
- An Invitation from GCC to apply for funding to improve existing footpaths under the Parish Paths Initiative by the end of May was read out by the Chairman. It was agreed this be placed in the Circulation File for Cllrs.to book themselves onto the workshop 23.4.09 & discuss as an agenda item at the next PCM (CD)

5. **OPEN FORUM** – Police Sergeant Sizer introduced himself & presented the Police Report for the month. He gave the results of a successful Test Purchases Operation carried out in local pubs with 16 year olds; investigations are being carried out into a burglary at the Burton Post Office; minor car accidents occurred to the north & south of the village on the A6070; a reminder to parishioners to guard against burglars generally in the area. He then responded to a variety of questions from members of the public.

- Two parishioners expressed the need in Burton for a dedicated Dog Bin on Main Street. The Chairman asked the Clerk to obtain a price from SLDC for consideration on the agenda at the next PCM (CD)

6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- Planning applications granted:
SL/2008/1240 – Alby House, Clawthorpe – Two storey extension & rear porch for Mr I.Boustead
- Planning applications refused:
None
- Planning applications received:
SL/2009/0184 – Limestones, Clawthorpe – Single storey extension for Mr V.Hughes. **No objections**
SL/2009/0187 – Browside, Vicarage Lane – Dwelling for Mr M.Fishwick. **No objections, but Cllrs.unanimously expressed concern over the possible loss of so many trees** (CD)

7. **FINANCE**

Balances at the bank at 19 March 2009:

BOI Treasurers Account	£9,768.59
Income to date	17,795.41
Expenditure to date	16,860.90

8. **ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED**

Lengthsman remuneration to 18.03.09 (4 weeks @ £77)	£308.00
Clerk's salary and expenses	336.54
CALC annual subscription 2009/10	248.00
Local Council Review annual subscription 2009/10	13.50
Stramongate Press – Spring 2009 Newsletter	90.00

9. **RESPOND TO S.LAKELAND STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

It was unanimously agreed this be dealt with together with Item 12 (see below).

10. AGREE A SECOND BANK ACCOUNT TO SPREAD RISK

(Action)

The Clerk reported there was nothing to choose between local banks prepared to offer a suitable cheque account for the use of Parish Councils. However the NatWest Bank do offer an additional Savers Account that currently offers a higher rate of interest than the other banks with transfer facilities into the Cheque Account when required. Additionally, theirs is the only bank providing a mobile banking service into Burton (Fridays 10.45-11.30). **Cllr.Mason-Hornby proposed the NatWest Bank Accounts be opened. This was seconded by Cllr.Rogers and unanimously agreed.**

(CD)

11. CONSIDER QUOTES FOR CRADLE SEATS ON INFANT SWING

The Clerk reported that SLDC had quoted £360 (including 2 pairs of branch chains) & Playdale quoted £445 (includes main chains because branch chains not supplied separately). It was confirmed that the Insurance Inspector considered the main chains are in good condition & do not require replacing. **Cllr.Boddy proposed the SLDC quote be accepted. This was seconded by Cllr.Wren & unanimously agreed.**

(CD)

12. DISCUSS LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIPS

Cllr.Boddy reported back on his attendance at the conference 28.2.09. **After a discussion it was unanimously agreed Burton should partner Kent Estuary rather than Kikby Lonsdale & Sedbergh.** Cllr.Boddy then agreed to complete the Response to 'Locality Working in S.Lakeland' (see Item 9 above that was circulated to all Cllrs.from the last PCM). This Response was then passed to the Clerk to return to SLDC

(CD)

13. CLLRS.PROGRESS REPORTS ON 2009 UPDATE OF PARISH PLAN

- Allotments: Proposal put to the Burton Recreation Committee, but no agreement at this stage. (RB)
- Bus Shelter: Progress last month – None. Clerk to reply to CCC request to confirm grant application lodged last year (JH/GI/CD)
- Design statement: Progress last month – None (JH/FM-H)
- Dropped kerbs: List of possible locations being formulated (IH)
- Footways A6070: April 1 Road Safety tour of village with John Bell of CCC arranged. (FM-H/JB/PR)
- Improve Slape Lane: Progress last month – None. Consider possibility of including with bid for funds from ASLEF (JH)
- Path - school to tennis courts: Landowner of intervening fields identified. Cllr.Hunt volunteered to speak to him. (GI/IH)
- Post boxes & Red telephone box: Progress last month – None. (GI/IH)
- Road safety improvements: April 1 tour of village with John Bell of CCC arranged. (FM-H/JB/PR)
- Signage: Friends of Lake District very supportive but their funding budget is much reduced. Awaiting developments for matching funding (PR)
- Upgrade Playing Ground: Safety matting & litter bin installed. Lengthsman to paint Roundabout & clean seats & decking & treat with suitable weather proofing. The Clerk was asked to obtain a quote from SLDC for the Suspension Bridge Chains that the Insurance Inspector has indicated need replacing (AW/PR/CD)

14. RECEIVE REPORTS FROM PARISH & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS: None

15. COMMUNICATIONS – See Schedule below.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on **Thursday 16 April 2009 at 7.30pm** in the Memorial Hall

The meeting closed at 9.07

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 19 MARCH 2009

- Website
- Hot Topic:
- Feedback:

Other Communications

- Bus shelter grant application form received from CCC
- Quotes received from Playdale & SLDC for cradle swings
- CCC Footpaths Officer notified of problems with footpath between Leypitts Farm & Ewan Mill Lane
- SLDC reminded of request (Hotline ref.236811) to replace lamp column 82. New Hotline ref.273259
- Updated programme for the local Highway Steward received from CCC
- Reminder from CALC of District Ass.meeting 5.3.09 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.25.2.09)
- Reminder to CCC of request last November for timetable at new bus shelter & reorganise bus stop signs.

- Request to CCC for information on funding for improving existing footpaths initiative
- Email from D.Nicholls to say he has now formed a committee to manage/oversee allotments
- Request from SLDC to update South Lakeland Development Framework map
- Request to Website Administrator to post the 2007/08 Chairman's Statement onto website
- An AMCO sign dumped in Plain Quarry 12.3.09 reported to their Security Dept.
- Invitation from CCC to apply for funding to improve existing footpaths under the Parish Paths Initiative

For Circulation

- Local Councils Review March 2009 from NALC
- CALC Circular March 2009 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.6.3.09,)
- Weekly Rural Focus Digest (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.26.2.09, 9.3.09,)
- Notification of forthcoming consultation events from Lancashire County Council
- Request from SLDC to publicise 5 affordable homes for sale at Pear Tree Park, Holme
- Request from Cumbria Fire Service to publicise vacancies for volunteers
- Invitation from CCC for representations about content of the Minerals & Waste Development Framework
- Adoption Statement of the Lancashire Minerals & Waste Development Framework
- Invitation to enter the Cumbria Calor Village of the Year competition 2009
- Invitation from CCC to participate in a survey on landscape issues running from 23 February to 20 March
- NWDA Regional Newsletter March 2009 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.6.3.09)
- Summary notes from CALC Conference 28.2.09 (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.7.3.09)
- Clerks & Councils Direct March 2009
- Town & Parish Standard Issue 4 (February 2009) from The Standards Board for England
- Playground equipment leaflet from Russell Leisure
- Opportunities for 'Community Exchanges' from ACT (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.9.3.09)
- Information on 'Big Lottery Fund' from NWDA (Email forwarded to all Cllrs.11.3.09)
- Request from SLDC Overview & Scrutiny Committees for suggested topics/issues for review
- Cumbria CVS Newsletter March/April

Glossary of Abbreviations:

ACT	Action with Communities in Cumbria (formerly VAC)
ALSF	Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund
CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
CRHT	Cumbria Rural Housing Trust
CVS	Cumbria Voluntary Service
CYSS	Cumbria Youth Support Service
DEFRA	Dept for Environment Food & Rural Affairs
LDF	Local Development Framework
NPS	Norfolk Property Services
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
NWDA	North West Development Agency
NWRA	North West Regional Assembly
NWPPR	North West Plan Partial Review
PCM	Parish Council Meeting
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council
SLCC	Society of Local Council Clerks



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