

BURTON- IN -KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on Thursday 19 March 2015
at 6.45 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT. Cllrs M Taylor (Chairman), J Brown, P Smith, G Isherwood, Francis Mason-Hornby, Paul Rogers, M Rowley, A Wren.
Also present: County and District Cllr R Bingham, District Cllr B Cooper and the Parish Clerk Christine Davidson.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE. Six members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr Jane Hopwood

2. PRESENTATION BY STEVE RIGBY – QUARRY MANAGER AND DEAN HOLMES TRAINEE FROM HOLME PARK QUARRY

Quarry Manager Steve Rigby introduced himself and Dean Holmes to the meeting. He then handed over to Dean who gave a very interesting talk about the Quarry and its work as well as its history and future developments. He invited members of the public to come along to the quarry (by prior arrangement) to have a tour. There is approximately 14 million tonnes left to quarry.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 20 MARCH 2014. The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 20 March 2014 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. ANNUAL REPORT OF CHAIRMAN MIKE TAYLOR.

Looking on the year as a whole the abiding memory is one of very benign weather, which meant that the parish council had not to deal with snow and storm and tempest.

There has been a change of clerk as Jane Johnstone moved out of the village but fortunately Christine Davidson stepped up to the mark and has the makings of a good clerk and is currently undertaking training. Welcome Christine.

The royal oak was planted in the school grounds and will have a plaque attached, the WESTMORLAND sign was also planted south of the village. both these items seemed to have taken a long time to come to fruition.

For many the development of the remaining land at Church Bank Gardens is the big issue of the year and for many not a welcome one. I hope that the meeting facilitated by the council between the residents and developers was useful even if it left a lot of questions only partly answered. I suspect this one will run and run as they say. I think that the parish council should develop a protocol to deal with proposed developments of more than a few houses as there will be more proposals coming forward for the allocated land in the next few years.

As ever, can I thank the other councillors for their work and support for the last year.

5. OPEN FORUM. No comments

