

Buerton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held Tuesday 14th August 2012 at Hankelow Church Hall

Present: Cllr N Bonell, Cllr I Shaw (Chair), Cllr E Lancaster, Cllr O Bonell, Cllr E Green
Cllr A Goodwin, Cllr R Bailey (CEC)

In attendance: J Kemble Clerk
Mr R Cartright
Parishoners 9

1222 Apologies None

1223 Election of officers The following were elected unanimously to stand for a period of two years.

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| Chairman | Cllr E Lancaster |
| Vice Chairman | Cllr O Bonell |
| Public Hall committee representative | Cllr E Green |
| Burial Board | Cllr I Shaw, Cllr A Goodwin |
| Footpath and Rights of Way | Cllr I Shaw |

1224 Minutes The minutes of the Council meeting of 03/42012, consultation of w/c 28/05/2012 and the village meeting of 03/04/2012 were signed as correct records.

1225 Disclosure of interests none

1226 Public Forum

Mr Cartright gave a short presentation on the steps required to get a parish plan and design statement established and the pros and cons of having these in place. The main points he made were that residents, not the parish council must take the lead in this , the basis for the whole thing being public consultation by means of questionnaires and public meetings. The topics and general thrust of the plan can then be dealt with by separate groups or committees as appropriate. Obviously the actual set-up would be dictated by the topics in the plan. He gave examples from his experience with Audlem and other councils he has talked to.

A short Q&A session followed.

The chairman thanked Mr Cartright for taking the time to come and brief the Council.

Parishoners raised several queries with regard to the planning application by Markden Homes for the Redacres development (12/2532N). After a general discussion it was agreed that whilst the application had taken into account a lot of the concerns previously raised there are still some important aspects that need to be addressed. The Parish Council therefore agreed to respond to the notification raising the following concerns:-

- 1) Access to the field at the rear of the site by the "private drive" is very restricted, and cannot give proper access for agricultural machinery .
- 2) Access for agricultural machinery would be difficult and dangerous through the development with parked cars and children playing.
- 3) There is no effective bus service for working families through Buerton and therefore each property would need parking for two cars which would mean cars parked on the roadway (see 2 above)
- 4) No details of surface water, storm water or foul water are indicated in the application. Great concern has been expressed by the residents of Windmill Close, as the natural drainage is down to the Close and flooded drains are a common problem in wet weather. Storm conditions with extra run-off from the development would only make matters worse. The means to prevent this need detailing.
- 5) Where will the sewage system be located and where will it overflow to when it floods.
- 6) Planners should note that Windmill Lane is derestricted and that as a safety measure to help offset the effect of the increase in traffic that would result from this development, part of the approval should require speed limits to be imposed throughout the village.
- 7) Whilst the provision of homes for rent is welcomed, the Parish Council feel that all the proposed properties should be for rent, better to reflect the requirements of the area.

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- 8) As an asset and attraction to prospective renters/buyers, perhaps the developers should be required to make a financial contribution towards the childrens playground currently being put in hand by the Parish Council on the old school playing field. Quotations are in and the scope agreed but further funding is still required to complete the project.

1227 Business Matters

1227/1 Resignation and Co-option of Councillors Cllrs Blood and Williams have resigned from the Council. Clerk was requested to place notices to ask for suitable volunteers to be considered for co-option onto the Council.

1227/2 Playing Field Clerk confirmed that Buckland Tree Care have yet to finish the maintenance work on the trees with preservation orders and were waiting on planning approval. Overhangs of adjacent gardens will be reviewed when this work is undertaken. Tony Seabridge to be requested to poison/remove any suckers along the garden fences.

1227/3 War memorials The new memorial is complete, only awaiting lettering. Rogers will send a drawing/list for approval before actually inscribing the names. Cllrs Shaw and O Bonell are to arrange to move the waste bin and flower troughs to allow Rogers to begin the installation, which should be in the next 3 to 4 weeks. The DAC have rejected the proposal to mount the original memorial on the wall of St James. Clerk to write to the burial board to explore the possibility of mounting it in the Chapel of Rest.

1227/4 Development of the playing field. Cllr Lancaster to arrange for a formal quotation from Wickstead. Clerk to solicit prices for access changes etc.

1227/5 Safety on the A525 Council to submit request to LAP Highways Working Group.

1227/6 Street Naming Legislation. Council noted CEC statutory notice.

1227/7 Members Code of Conduct Latest Model Code from CEC to be circulated and discussed at the next meeting.

1227/8 Boundary Damage Thursfield Cottage Letter from Mr Biddulph to be circulated.

1227/9 Red Telephone Box Clerk confirmed that the repair/refurbishments are now complete. It was agreed that the results were very satisfactory.

1228 Financial Matters

1228/1 The following payments were noted/approved:-

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| J Kemble Salary | (April , May June) | £336.05 |
| CCPFA Affiliation | | £16.00 |
| J Kemble Expenses April/May | | £50.62 |
| HMRC Tax period 10/11/12 | | £84.00 |
| CVSCheshireeast PAYE Services | | £48.00 |
| Hankins Heys Farms Ground works | | £86.40 |
| CCA Affiliation | | £20.00 |
| Zurich Municipal Annual insurance | | £354.42 |
| Tony Seabridge Ground maintenance | | £510.00 |
| BRS Construction Phone Box refurbishment | | £1056.00 |
| HMRC Tax period 1,2,3 | | £86.40 |
| A davenport Internal Audit Services | | £45.00 |

1228/2 Risk Management Register to be circulated for discussion next meeting.

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1228/3 Asset Register to be circulated for discussion at the next meeting.

1228/4 Council noted that steps are being taken nationally to allow electronic payments by parish councils.

1228/5 Receipt of the parish land rent was noted split into two instalments.

1228/6 It was decided to keep the current banking arrangements.

1229 Planning and Development.

12/2532N Markden City Homes Redacres Windmill Lane

1230 Any other business The general state of footpath throughout Buerton to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

1219 Councillors reports of meetings attended.

Cllr Green attended the police cluster group meeting. The report has been circulated.
Cllr Shaw reported on the recent burial board meeting.

1220 Dates of next meetings.

02/10/2012

04/12/2012

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20 p.m.