Buerton Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held Tuesday 8th August 2015 at Hankelow Church meeting room

Present Cllr E Green Cllr E Lancaster Cllr A Hassell Cllr N Bonell Cllr I Shaw Cllr A Baddley Mrs W Lucas Neighbourhood Plan committee.

In attendance: J Kemble Clerk

1536 Apologies Cllr O Bonell

1537 Election of Officers

Chairman Cllr E Green Vice Chairman Cllr N Bonell

Burial Board representatives Cllr I Shaw Cllr E Lancaster

Public Hall Committee representative Cllr E Green Other representations to be arranged as necessary

Clerk to check with Mike Smith if he would agree to represent the Council on roads matters.

The above arrangements were approved unanimously.

1538 Minutes The minutes of the Council meeting of 02/06/2015 were signed as correct **r**ecord.

1539 Disclosure of interests none

1540 Public Forum No points raised

1541 Business Matters

1541/1 Neighbourhood Plan

A new questionnaire is being compiled and will be circulated with the next draft of the Plan, as further consultation is necessary regarding revisions to the Objectives and Vision.

As the process is taking longer than anticipated, the meeting planned for $1^{\rm st}$ September is to be postponed.

Further funding for specialists to assess and assist this process will be required from the public funding available. Clerk to find out how this funding may be accessed.

1541/2 Defibrillator

Clerk reported that BT have reconnected the power to the phone box and that the contractor, Glyn Evans would be able to install it in 3 or 4 weeks time.

A snag has been raised by Glyn as to the direction of opening of the enclosure. Clerk to sort this out with Community Heartbeat.

1541/3 Playing field railings.

Order has been placed on Sudden Strike and the materials should be delivered to them this week. Sudden Strike to then advise the work programme and timing.

1541/4 Local Government Transparency Code.

Clerk advised that all Councils should have had this Code of Practice in place for 2015. In practice very little is relevant to BPC affairs but it will require some additions to the information presented on AOL.

The only major item necessary is for the Council to have and publish a Constitution for which the Clerk will find a proforma as a basis for discussion.

1542 Financial Matters

1542/1 The following payments were approved/noted:-

J Kemble Expenses (mostly N'hood Plan)	£257.71
CCPFA (Playingfields Ass'n) Affiliation	£18.00
A J Hassall Mole removal from playingfield	£60.00
CVS Payroll services	£96.00
Dave Espley June playground and asset inspection	£48.00
Dave Espley July playground inspection	£28.00
ThenMedia Web services	£115.20
A J Davenport Audit services	£60.00
Tony Seabridge Grounds maintenance	£560.00

1542/2 It was noted that the 2014/15 accounts have been reviewed by the internal auditor and are now with the external auditor.

1542/3 It was confirmed that Cllr A Baddley is now a Co-op account signatory.

1542/4 Clerk was given permission to take steps to close the RBS account and transfer all monies to the C0-op account.

1543 Planning and Development.

The following were noted and/or assessed:-

15/1325N Malt Kiln Farm Prior approval of change of use for agricultural buildings to residential. Approved

 $15/1998\rm N$ Yew Tree Farm Woodhouse Lane timber garage and wood store. Approved $15/2145\rm N$ ($15/0274\rm N$ resubmitted) New dwelling on land adjacent to 1 Festival Avenue Approved

15/2004N Wheelwright Cottage Woore Road Extension/alterations Approved

15/2658N Ravenbank Bungalow Longhill Lane Extension proposed

1544 Any other business

1544/1 Councillors have found various footpaths in the area blocked by wire or overgrown with foliage and therefore difficult to use. CEC Footpaths officer to be contacted by Cllr Baddley.

1544/2 Parishoners have suggested that a bus shelter to be installed. Clerk to find range of costs for feasibility to be assessed.

1544/3 The protective barrier against the damaged bridge in Windmill Lane requires frequent replacement by the adjacent householder and could cause an accident. Clerk to advise CEC roads and also ask when the bridge structure will be repaired.

1545 Councillors reports of meetings attended None

1546 Dates of next meetings.

08/12/2015 02/02/2016 05/04/2016 07/06/2016

As the Hankelow Church Hall is to undergo some refurbishment, Clerk to check it's availability. And make alternative arrangements as necessary.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25 p.m.