

**Buerton Parish Council**

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at Hankelow Church Hall.

**Present** Cllr N Bonell (Chair) Cllr A Baddley Cllr I Shaw Cllr E Lancaster Cllr O Bonell  
Mrs W Lucas Mrs M Scott Neighbourhood Plan Committee.

**In attendance:** J Kemble Clerk

**1701 Apologies** Cllr A Hassell Cllr G Healey

**1702 Minutes** The minutes of the Council meeting of 04/10/2016 and E-consultation of w/c 12/12/2016 were signed as correct records.

**1703 Disclosure of interests** Cllr O Bonell agenda item 6.8

**1704 Public Forum** No points raised.

**1705 Neighbourhood Plan Public Forum.**

Cllr Baddley outlined the situation as follows:-

- The NP is nearly ready for the Regulation 14 submission.
- CEC will recommend to whom the draft should be circulated.
- BPC will arrange dates for the public consultation.
- Details to be agreed at a NP committee meeting to be arranged.
- Further grants are available via CEC for the work to be completed.

**1706 Business Matters**

1706/1 Carolyn Wittingham was welcomed as the new clerk and will take over from John Kemble, the acting clerk, during March.

1706/2 Defibrillator

Notices for the phone box to the effect "Defibrillator within" have been sourced and Geoff Baddley has offered to install them.

1706/3 Roads

The following points were noted :-

- a) The relocation of the 30 m.p.h. signs in the bends on Windmill Lane further from the village to the point where the road straightens out by Windmill Farm for better visibility and slowing traffic before the bends to be pursued.
- b) Speed reduction humps in the narrow bends.
- c) Speed reduction measures in Windmill Lane by Plus Dane in line with the Redacres planning approval condition for the provision of £4000 for this purpose. No action taken.
- d) Moving the 40 m.p.h. signs from by Maltkiln Farm up Pendersend Farm . No progress.
- e) Mike Smith was thanked for completing the CEC Highways Satisfaction survey on behalf of BPC.

1706/4 Playing field

- a) Clerk to look at feasibility of refitting a gate at the A525 entrance to the playing field and fitting net spacers to the goal posts. No action to date.
- b) The trees overhanging the footpath in Windmill Lane and on the A525 corner have been cut back.
- c) The tree safety survey has been carried out and recommendations received. Apart from routine pruning to be carried out on several trees, the only real concern is the state of the "old" oak tree. Council agreed that it should be preserved, as opposed to taken down, reduced and fenced as recommended. Prices for this option are on file from Countrywide Grounds Maintenance Ltd..

- 1706/5 Prices from three ground works contractors were tabled and it was agreed to put business with Green Fingers Ltd.
- 1706/6 Mrs Scott and Mrs Lucas were thanked for their efforts to tidy up around the war memorial and planting up the tubs.
- 1706/7 Council agreed that no effective action could be taken over the traffic speeding in Long Hill Lane.
- 1706/8 Clerk confirmed that the Land Tenancy Agreement was in draft form at Hibberts and that at the same time action is being taken to get the land registered.
- 1706/9 The "New You" campaign by CEC was noted.
- 1706/10 A donation of £250 to the NW Air Ambulance charity was agreed
- 1706/11 Cllr Baddley agreed to represent BPC at the Burial Board meetings in place of Cllr Lancaster.

**Financial Matters**

1707/1 The following payments were noted/approved :-

J Kemble salary October/November	£224.30
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J Kemble expenses Oct/Nov	£82.69
M Scott Plants & compost for war memorial	£93.03
CCA Neighbourhood Plan assistance	£288.00
Hibberts Farm Tenancy interim bill	£396.00
Tony Seabridge Historical VAT payments	£731.00
Dave Espley Asset inspection	£28.00
HH.M.R.C. Tax periods 7/8/9	£84.00
Country Wide Grounds Maintenance Tree Survey	£594.00
Tony Seabridge Grounds Maint. 1/4/16 to 30/11/16	£1044
CCA Neighbourhood Plan assistance	£1089.00
Community Heartbeat Defibrillator Signs	£33.60

1707/2 The budget for 2017/18 was reviewed and approved.(see attached)

1707/3 It was noted that allan Davenport has resigned as internal auditor.

**1708 Planning and Development.**

The following were noted and/or assessed:-

16/3565N Orchard Barn, Longhill	Stables	Approved
16/3877N The Fairford, Woore Road	Kitchen Extension	
16/4556D Workshops Kettle Lane.		Approved
16/4815N Chapel End Cottage, Woore Road	Rear extension	Approved
16/5247N Land adjacent to 1 Festival Avenue		Conditions approved
16/5360N Malt Kiln Farm	Revised to include an additional dwelling.	
16/5478N Land adjacent to 1 Festival Avenue		Amendments approved
16/6017N Yew Tree Cottage Longhill	Rear extension	
16/5843 Yew Tree Barn Woodhouse Lane	Garage and wood store	

**1709 Any other business** None raised.

**1710 Councillors reports of meetings attended** Nothing to report.

**1711 Dates of next meetings** 04/04/2017 Hankelow Chapel meeting room  
 06/06/2017  
 08/08/2017  
 03/10/2017  
 05/12/2017

Chairman closed the meeting at 8 40 p.m.

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