

Buerton Parish Council

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Minutes for the Meeting of Buerton Parish Council held remotely Thursday 4 June 2020 due COVID-19 Government Guidelines

Present: Cllr E Lancaster, Cllr I Shaw, Cllr M Hope, Cllr D Mansell, Cllr N Bonell, Cllr A Baddley, Cllr G Healey

1888 Apologies for absence

None

1889 Minutes

The minutes of the Council meeting of 4 February 2020 were agreed and signed as correct records and the cancelled meeting of 2 April 2020 was signed and recorded as such.

1890 Disclosure of interests

None to declare

1891 Public Forum

None present

1892 Business matters

1892/1 **Junction of Windmill Lane and Longhill Lane**

Cllr Hope has received notification that the funding has been approved for improvements to the junction. There are no further updates at this time.

1892/2 **Playground & Activity Trail**

There has been no progress to date with regards to the goals or replacement nets. Cllr Baddley is in the process of sourcing a suitable material to replace the wooden platform at the top of the slide.

1892/3 **Remembrance Memorial**

Works are scheduled to be completed by the end of June.

Clerk to follow up

1892/4 **Farm tenancy agreement**

The Clerk confirmed that she had not been contacted by the Land Owner's Agent with regards to the agreement.

Clerk to contact Land owner / Agent to check on progress.

1892/5 **Community Speed Watch**

Following the training of 5 volunteers who were active before the lockdown period commenced, the purchase of the speed gun and high visibility jackets was approved by Cllrs Lancaster and Bonell.

Clerk to arrange purchase of equipment.

- 1892/6 **Footpaths**
Cllr Baddley reports that the issue with regards to the stile and electric fence by the Windmill has been resolved and provides safe access to walkers.
- The issue with regards to the footpath diversion from Windmill Lane into a field to join the existing footpaths remains outstanding.
- Cllr Lancaster believes that as the landowner has had problems with walkers not adhering to the footpaths and not respecting the Countryside Code of Conduct, that he would not be willing to add further footpaths to his land.
- Cllr Baddley asked the councillors to consider whether the proposed diversion along the field by the bridge in Windmill Lane would be needed to provide safe access to the footpaths across from Windmill Lane.
Clerk to draft letter to the landowner.
- 1892/7 **Buerton Hall Farm – Tree concern**
It is unclear if the issue of the overhanging tree has been resolved as no record of the original report can be found.
Clerk to follow up to see if this has been resolved and if not to contact Cheshire East Highways to make a further report.
- 1892/8 **Railings Woore Road**
Cllrs Lancaster and Bonell do not agree with the decision made by Cheshire East Highways that the current state of the railings does not present an immediate danger to livestock or the public.
Clerk to contact Cheshire East Highways to “appeal” the decision.
- 1892/9 **Social Media & Newsletter**
There are no further updates from Cllr Baddley at this time
- 1892/10 **Parking at Festival Avenue**
There are no further updates from Cllr Shaw at this time
- 1892/11 **Raised man hole cover junction of Woore Road & Windmill Lane**
There are no further updates at this time as to whether the issue has resolved.
- 1892/12 **Street name sign at Red Acres Close**
Plus Dane Housing have agreed to install street name signs at Red Acres Close when their small works team are able to return to normal working practices.
Clerk to follow this up
- 1893 Financial matters**
- 1893/ 1 The following payments have been made by BACS transfer following approval from Cllrs Lancaster, Baddley & Shaw and are listed here for formal record:
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| A Serif wage April 2020 | £231.66 |
| A Serif, expenses April 2020 | £10.00 |
| ThenMedia | £115.20 |
| Shires Pay Services | £41.40 |
| Zurich Municipal | £512.28 |
- 1893/2 The following payments were approved by Cllrs Lancaster, Bonell & Baddley:
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| A Serif wage May 2020 | £231.66 |
| A Serif Expenses May 2020 | £25.50 |
| ChALC Membership 2020-2021 | £160.20 |

1893/3 The following documents required by the Internal Audit 2019/20 were approved and signed by Cllr Lancaster:
Register of Assets
Risk Register
Annual Governance and Accountability Return

1893/4 The appointment of Shires Pay Services to conduct the Pension Re-declaration on behalf of the Parish Council was approved by Cllr Bonell.

1894 Planning and Development

20/2039N – Kynsal Lodge, Woodhouse Lane. No comments or objections to be recorded.

1895 Any other business

Cllr Hope has asked if a report can be made to Highways regarding additional street signage for Windmill Close. Traffic coming from Woore Road cannot see the existing signage and deliveries for Windmill Lane are being delivered to the Close in error.

Clerk to contact Cheshire East Highways

1896 Councillors reports of meetings attended.

Nothing to Report

1897 Dates for future meetings.

At Hankelow meeting room commencing at 1915hrs

Thursday 6 August 2020

Thursday 1 October 2020

Thursday 3 December 2020