

## **BURTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Jubilee Hall, Houghton on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2014**

**Present:** Cllrs Paddy McNamara, Clare Zawadzki, Alun Williams, Terry Morgan, Sue Dean, Michael Pettit (Chairman), John Mathias, Nia Phillips, Roger Scrimshaw; Peter Horton (Clerk)  
**Apologies:** C'llrs Derek Jones, Rob Summons

#### **Minutes of June monthly meeting**

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record, and signed by the Chairman (proposer C'llr Alun Williams, seconder C'llr Sue Dean).

#### **Matters Arising**

**Risk Assessment.** The Clerk had awaited further guidance information from P.A.L.C. prior to carrying out the risk assessment. Clerk to arrange to carry this out.

**Bus shelter, Hill Mountain.** Members were informed that following the request made to P.C.C. after the June meeting, the bus shelter had now been cleaned up.

#### **Planning**

##### **Applications**

**14/0254/PA (development of two houses on land at Sardis)** - Members had already expressed concerns at the proposal to remove the existing hedgebank, feeling that this is unnecessary, and requesting its retention as a condition on any consent granted. This consultation response had already been submitted to P.C.C. due to the tight timeframe for response.

Members were read the letters copied to the Community Council, from Mr. & Mrs. Mathias, and Mr. & Mrs. Munro, objecting to the application. Clerk to write further supporting the comments made in the letters.

Mrs. Mathias & Mrs. Munro were invited to address the meeting, thanked Members for their support, and reiterated some of the comments made in the letters, providing some additional detail, especially regarding their discussions to date with officers in the L.P.A.

**14/0238/PA (development off Thurston lane)** - Members had expressed concerns at the possible effect of construction traffic on the narrow lane. They had requested that consideration be given to requiring the access to the proposed development to be constructed suitably to enable all deliveries to take place off Thurston Lane, so as to keep it clear. They also questioned how foul sewage is to be disposed of, since this does not appear to be shown on the plans. These comments had already been submitted in response to the planning consultation, given the tight timeframe for response.

#### **Consents (for information only)**

**NP/14/0269 (work to access track at Mill Cottage, Rhooseferry Road).**

#### **Correspondence**

- 1) BDO Stoy Hayward – notification of completion of audit – dealt with under 'Accounts'.
- 2) Planed – Festivals and events guide – noted, and passed to C'llr John Mathias for perusal.
- 3) Elaine Scale – Parking problems, Bowlings Corner – Members discussed the letter, the concerns of which were well known to Members. Clerk to send letter in to P.C.C., supporting it, and with a covering letter saying that it was a serious safety issue, that the Community Council was not going to be held liable for any future problems, and

requesting action to address the concerns. Also, reply to be sent to Mrs. Scale advising of actions proposed.

- 4) Shirley and David Mathias – letter opposing application ref. 14/0254/PA (copy of letter sent to PCC) – dealt with under ‘Planning’.
- 5) Mr & Mrs JB Munro – letter objecting to planning application ref. 14/0154/PA – dealt with under ‘Planning’.

## **Accounts**

### **Audit**

Members were informed that the audit forms had been received back from the auditors with no matters arising. The final audit report was read to Members, and the relevant sections signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

### **Discussion of possible bus shelter replacement at Bowlings Corner**

C’lir Paddy McNamara had obtained a quotation of £577 for a second hand bus shelter. This did not include delivery, which was very expensive. However, C’lir McNamara said that for the cost of the fuel he would be willing to go and pick it up.

C’lir Paddy McNamara had also met up with a contractor to look at the footpath and bus shelter, and had obtained a combined quotation for all the work required. Mr. James Griffiths had objected to having the bus shelter in the proposed location, due to a desire to relocate his driveway. A suggestion to put the bus shelter in the position of his existing drive was not possible due to a sewer manhole there. Members discussed various options. Members decided to buy the bus shelter in readiness. C’lir Paddy McNamara to arrange this, including collection. Matter to be placed on agenda for September for further discussion. Various other locations were discussed as potential locations for the bus shelter. Clerk to ask PCC to contact C’lir Alun Williams to discuss a potential alternative location.

### **Discussion of footpath provision, Bowlings Corner**

Covered under item above. Matter to be placed on agenda for September for further discussion. C’lir Paddy McNamara to get a broken-down split of the quotations from Evan Pritchard in readiness for the September meeting.

### **Discussion of speeding signage, Hill Mountain**

C’lir Terry Morgan asked if consideration could be given to turning the sign around. Clerk to ask for the sign by Gareth Hughes Motors to be turned around when convenient and possible.

### **Discussion of Risk Assessment**

Covered under Matters Arising.

### **Any Other Business**

**Noticeboards.** Clerk to confirm number and locations of noticeboards to Norman Industries. Discussion over redesigning of doors to two door option. Quotation to be obtained for reconfiguring the noticeboards to a double door design, installing cork backing, and restaining of woodwork, but not with Danish oil.

**Playpark.** C’lir Clare Zawadzki raised the issue of upkeep of the play equipment, which she felt to be in need of maintenance. It was confirmed that P.C.C. is responsible. Nia Phillips had seen an inspector checking the equipment. It was also mentioned that the two memorial plaques are not in very good condition. Matter to be placed on September agenda for general discussion on maintenance actions required.

**Burton Jubilee Hall Committee.** C’lir Roger Scrimshaw passed on a request for action to cut back / remove conifers from behind the Jubilee Hall. Members were agreed that the request to the owner should come from the Hall Committee rather than from the Community Council,

though potential assistance by the Community Council to cover the necessary work once arrangements had been made was not ruled out.

**Rev. Marianne Osborne.** It was confirmed that Rev. Marianne Osborne had left the parish some time ago.

**Road closure, Jolly Sailor.** Proposals were mentioned for a five day road closure on the section of road approaching the Jolly Sailor in September, for carriageway resurfacing works. It was presumed that normal arrangements would be put in place by P.C.C. for diversions, etc.

### **Public Forum**

There were no members of the public in attendance.

The meeting ended at 8-10pm. Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, 7pm