

BURTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the monthly meeting held at the Jubilee Hall, Houghton on Wednesday 26th August, 2015

Present: Cllrs Roger Scrimshaw, Alun Williams, Paddy McNamara, John Mathias, Clare Zawadzki, Sue Dean, Derek Jones, Terry Morgan; Peter Horton (Clerk)

Apologies: C'llrs Laurence Price, Michael Pettit, Nia Phillips, Rob Summons

In the absence of the Chairman and vice-Chairman, the meeting was chaired by C'llr Clare Zawadzki.

Minutes of July 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

Planning application, NP/10/322. C'llr Clare Zawadzki expressed dismay over the response given to the application, particularly to offer no objection to the removal of the hedgebank. C'llr Paddy McNamara commented on the retrospective nature of the application, and that this was the reason for the response given.

Planning

Applications

NP/15/0444/FUL (Monopole, Benton Farm, Rhoseferry Road) – No objection.

Correspondence

- 1) Burton Jubilee Hall Committee – Request for grant aid – dealt with in 'Accounts'.
- 2) P.C.C. – Update on situation with planning enforcement investigation into footpath at Kiln Park – dealt with in agenda item.
- 3) R.K. Lucas – Reply re. school buildings – discussed in agenda item.
- 4) St. David's Diocesan Board – Reply re. school buildings – discussed in agenda item.
- 5) U.T.K. Solicitors – proposed lease of cricket field – discussed in agenda item.
- 6) BDO Stoy Hayward – Notification of completion of Audit – dealt with in 'Accounts'.
- 7) P.C.C. – Consultation on Gambling Policy – passed to C'llr Alun Williams for perusal.
- 8) P.C.C. – Consultation on Licensing Policy – passed to C'llr Alun Williams for perusal.
- 9) Mr. Glyn Miles – Concern over non-replacement of post box, Burton Village – Matter to be placed on the next agenda for discussion. Letter to go to Mr. Miles explaining actions proposed. Letter to the Sorting Office chasing up, and suggesting bolting a postbox to the bus shelter instead.

Accounts

Audit.

The audit return was presented to Members. This was approved and accepted by Members.

Payments

BDO Stoy Hayward (Audit fee)	:	£ 210-00
Burton Jubilee Hall Committee (grant)	:	£1,000-00

The above items were approved by Members (proposer C'llr Roger Scrimshaw, seconder C'llr Alun Williams).

Any necessary discussion of proposed shelter / footpath at Bowlings Corner, including progress on obtaining Streetworks license

C'llr Paddy McNamara had sent in the plans, and had problems with the responses received. However, a message had now been received by the Clerk to indicate that the licence was due to be issued imminently. Once licence received, Clerk to issue the order for fabrication of the shelter from Terry Griffiths, and request a completion date. This information to be passed to C'llr Paddy McNamara.

Any necessary discussion of needed maintenance to Burton Pond

Members were informed that matters were in hand with Karl Sutton to do the work, and John Mathias to provide a trailer to dispose of offcuts.

Discussion of issues connected with Scout and Community Hall, Hill Mountain

Members were informed that this was still in hand with C'llrs Paddy McNamara and Sue Dean. C'llr Sue Dean to make initial contact, to try and arrange a meeting. Clerk to provide contact details to C'llr Sue Dean to facilitate this. C'llr Alun Williams expressed concerns over the ongoing breach of planning conditions. It was felt that this should be included in any confirmatory letter sent following the meeting, but it was also pointed out that these issues had already been raised with her, thus relieving the Community Council of any liability.

Discussion of situation regarding refurbishment of noticeboards

Clerk to inform Norman Industries that Members wish to proceed with the work at the earliest opportunity.

Discussion of planning issues surrounding plot at Kiln Park

The Clerk reported to Members that the investigation was still ongoing in the Planning Department, but not much further forward. Matter to be placed on September agenda for discussion.

Discussion of sale of Burton School

The letters received were read. No extension of the 9th September deadline had been agreed, thus leaving insufficient time to prepare a potential bid for the land and buildings. However, a 20 year lease of the cricket field was on offer. Members agreed to accept the terms for this. The matter of the pavilion was raised. What would be the responsibilities of the Community Council regarding this? Clerk to reply accepting the terms on offer, and stating that no solicitor will be appointed for the time being. Clerk to write to Mr. Martin Jones and Mr. Gareth Hughes to inform them of developments.

Discussion of siting of wind turbine at Nash Mountain Farm

Nothing further had been heard from the resident who had previously mentioned this, and there was nothing to report. Matter left in abeyance.

Any Other Business

None.

Public Forum

There were no members of the public in attendance.

The meeting ended at 7-40pm. Next meeting, Wednesday 30th September, 2015, 7pm