

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL
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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 25 August 2011
at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal**

PRESENT. Cllrs G Isherwood,(Chairman), J Brown, J Hopwood, I Hunt, M Taylor, A Wren, and Parish Clerk P Smith. District and County Cllr R Bingham was in attendance.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE. Seven members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies were accepted from Cllr P Rogers, Cllr R Boddy and Cllr F Mason-Hornby. Apologies were noted from District Cllr B Cooper.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. Cllr I Hunt declared a prejudicial interest in Item 7c. Cllr Hopwood declared a prejudicial interest in Item 7e and a personal interest in Item 7c. Cllr Brown declared a personal interest in Item 7c. Cllr Wren declared a personal interest in Item 7f.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 21 JULY 2011. The minutes of the meeting held on 21 July 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(ACTION)

- a. SLDC are changing the scheme for the collection of bulky items such as domestic appliances. In future these will be collected and recycled by the Oaklee Trust. Arrangements should still be made with the SLDC contact centre.
- b. The County Council have revised the proposed timber transport routes in accordance with the proposals made by the parish council.
- c. The Parish Remuneration Panel has requested any comments the PC may have on allowances for Parish Councillors. No comments have been made by councillors who continue to serve without drawing allowances.
- d. The CALC District Association AGM will be held on 15 September which clashes with the next PC meeting. Any Councillor wishing to stand for office would put their names forward directly to CALC.
- e. The next edition of the newsletter will be prepared in September. Councillors were asked to inform the clerk they would like to see covered in the issue.

(All)

5. OPEN FORUM.

- a. PCSO Jayne Park sent her apologies. In her written report she noted that the only crimes of note in Burton were the theft of a car number plate and the theft of a bike and some fishing equipment from a garage.
- b. Four members of the public objected to the inclusion of the land between Churchbank and Slake Lane (site RN270) in the land allocations document. They believed that there would be a damaging visual impact to the approach to the village from the north, that there were potential problems with waste water disposal with the current infrastructure and that access for traffic to such a large development would be difficult.
- c. In her role championing broadband development in the village Anne Nichols reported the current results of the speed test across the Burton telephone exchange area and encouraged more people to participate. She then outlined the planned future broadband development for the village.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

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- a. **Applications granted:**
 - i. SL/2011/0257 – 17, St James Drive. Amended extension.
 - ii. SL/2011/0529 – Bank House, Holme Mills. Removal of Local occupancy condition.
 - iii. SL/2011/0425 – Memorial Hall. Rear toilet extension.
 - iv. SL/2011/0324 – Storth Ltd south of Burtlands. Assembly shop.
- b. **Applications refused:** None
- c. **Applications received:**
 - i. SL/2011/0511 – Hall Gardens, Tanpits Lane. Widen driveway and replacement of garage doors with patio doors for Mr and Mrs Laarhoven. No Objection.
 - ii. SL/2011/0628 – Limestones, Clawthorpe. Alterations and extension to garage and installation of solar panels for Mr Hughes. No Objection.
 - iii. SL/2011/0649 – Sandygap Farmhouse, Clawthorpe. Two storey extension for Mr Leasor. No Objection.

7. LAND ALLOCATIONS – FURTHER CONSULTATION. It was resolved recommend that the land allocations process should cover up to 2020 rather than 2025 as currently planned. It was further resolved to request that sites allocated in small villages such as Burton should be restricted to local need in accordance with the Core Strategy. It was resolved to respond to the proposed alternative sites as listed below:

- a. **EN14M** (Housing – Green Dragon)
Supported by the Parish Council.
- b. **MN26** (Housing/Employment – West of Main St properties)
Totally opposed by the Parish Council. A development on such a scale would swamp facilities within the village. There was no known local demand for so much property and employment land was available elsewhere in the village.
- c. **R605** (Housing – Telephone Exchange)
Supported by the Parish Council.
- d. **RN144** (Housing – East of MUGA)
The Parish Council continues to believe that this land should be retained for future recreational and community use.
- e. **RN270** (Housing – Between Churchbank and Slape Lane)
Opposed by the Parish Council due to the visual impact of the site on the approach to the village and the large size of the site outside the natural boundary of the village.
- f. **RN277** (Housing – Greenside)
Opposed by the Parish Council due to the very poor access.
- g. **RN278** (Housing – Miller's Garth Clawthorpe)
Opposed by the Parish Council due to the development being outside and separate from the natural boundary of the village.
- h. **RN319** (Housing – Top of Thornleigh Drive)
The Parish Council has no objection to this site.
- i. **RN327** (Housing – Creamery garden and orchard)
Supported by the Parish Council.
- j. **RN151** (Housing – Land south of Holme Mills)
Opposed by the Parish Council due to the extension of the existing homogeneous community beyond its natural boundary.
- k. **EN44** (Employment – North of Storth Machinery at Holme Mills).
The Parish Council has no objection to this site.

8. FINANCE. The Council received the Income and Expenditure Account and bank balances as at 21 July 11:

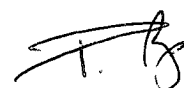
Income to date	£12426.67	Bank of Ireland	£20.09
Expenditure to date	<u>£6667.02</u>	NatWest Current	£2852.56
Difference	£5759.65	NatWest Savings	£14619.76
Balance at 1/04/11	<u>£10678.90</u>	Less cheques etc	<u>-£1053.86</u>
Carried forward	£16438.55	Carried Forward	£16438.55

9. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED.

(PS)

- a. Lengthsman hours and expenses to 31 July 2011. £268.54
- b. Clerk's salary 1 to 31 August 2011. £200.32
- c. Springs View Landscapes Grass Cutting ½ Year £585.00

10. APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF AUDITED RETURN. It was resolved to approve and accept the audited annual return for 2010/11. The audited accounts would be displayed on the notice board and the website. **(PS)**

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11. APPOINTMENT OF A BUDGET WORKING GROUP. It was agreed not to appoint a budget working group. The clerk would present a draft budget to the Council for consideration. (PS)

12. ANNUAL FIREWORKS DISPLAY. It was resolved that the Parish Council will be responsible for the annual fireworks display. It was agreed to establish a Parish Council Fireworks Working Group which must include at least one parish councillor with the authority to co-opt members of the public and appoint responsibilities within the group. The responsible councillor is to report to the October meeting of the Parish Council that the requirements of the Insurance Special Events Guidelines will be met. It was agreed that Cllr A Wren would be appointed to the Fireworks Working Group. (AW)

13. REPORT ON PARISH ACTION PLAN ITEMS. The following changes were reported on Action Plan items:

- a. The bus stop sign at the Green Dragon had been attached to the shelter.
- b. CCC had marked-up the road where resurfacing problems had been reported.
- c. The roads had been swept.
- d. An estimate for work on the plinth had been received. This would be on next month's agenda.
- e. CCC had been asked to repair the modern lamp on the jubilee lamp standard.
- f. The future ownership of the Boon Town grass areas would be put on the next agenda.

13. LENGTHSMAN'S LOG OF PLAYGROUND INSPECTION AND REPORTS FROM PARISH AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.

- a. The playground defects log was inspected. The roundabout had been repaired.
- b. District and County Cllr Bingham reported items of current interest including possible plans for elected police commissioners, broadband developments being led by CCC and rural transport needs.
- c. Cllr Brown noted that plans for the Longfield Tarn Wind Farm had been dropped by the developer.
- d. Cllr Hopwood requested volunteers to help with the 10K run and the fun run on 11 September.
- e. Cllr Isherwood noted that the Olympic Torch would come close to the village on 21 May and that there may be an opportunity for a village resident to carry it. Councillors would discuss this at the next meeting.

14. TO NOTE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED. The communications listed below were noted. No further actions were ordered.

15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 15 September 2011 at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Meeting Closed at 8:57pm

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 20 AUGUST 2011 **Significant communications not otherwise on the Agenda**

- 1. By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:**
 - a. SLDC - Parish Remuneration Panel.
 - b. Mr Colyer – Parking in Burton-in-Kendal.
 - c. Cumbria Police – Monthly Newsletter.
 - d. LAP – Minutes of Meeting.
 - e. Anne Nichols – Mapping Broadband Speeds.
 - f. CCC – Better Highways Work Schedule.
- 2. In circulation folder:**
 - a. Royal Horticulture Society – Britain in Bloom.
 - b. Cumbria Timber Transport Group Consultation.
 - c. Memorial Hall Committee – Thanks for Lengthsman's Assistance
 - d. SLDC – Bulk Waste Collection by Oaklea Trust

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
LAP	Local area Partnership
LDF	Local Development Framework
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer