

## BURTON- IN -KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 18 November 2004, at 7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal**

**PRESENT:** Councillors J Hopwood (Chairman), J.Alderson, R.Boddy, G Isherwood, A Jolley, F Mason-Hornby, P Rogers, B Willink, R.Bingham (District Cllr.)  
C.Dale (Clerk).

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Three members of the public.

**(Action by)**

### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor K.Ray.

2. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING** held on 9 November, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman after the following amendment was made to item 5:- replace the wording '...that the precept be reduced for the year by using £700 from accumulated balances' with 'that the precept be maintained at previous years level'. This overrides previous minute 9 on the minutes of 21 October 2004.

### 3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Guides to becoming a Quality Council were distributed to Councillors for consideration **(All Cllrs.)**
- Details were given of appeals received during the past month. These will be on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting with any others that may be received. Clerk to obtain their accounts, if possible. **(CD)**

### 4. OPEN FORUM – points raised:-

- PC Casson reported that there had been a deer poaching incident during the month.
- A member of the public reminded the Council (regarding appeals for donations received) of the valuable work carried out by the Citizens Advice Bureau.

### 5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- **Received: SL/04/1385.** Deerslet Bungalow, Burton – Tea Room for Mr.R.Lawson
- **1453.** Church Bank Farm, Burton – Single storey extension for Mr & Mrs S.King.

No objections were raised to these applications beyond Councillors asking the planning committee to require the timber Tea Room at Deerslet be stained a darker colour to blend in better with the surroundings. **(CD)**

- **Applications received since the agenda was published:** (Cllrs.agreed these should be discussed to avoid delaying the approval process, providing there was nothing controversial about them)

**SL/04/1455.** 4 Church Bank Gardens, Burton – Conservatory for Mr.M.Noble

**1481.** 1 Hutton Close, Burton. Two storey extension for Mr & Mrs I.Hunt. (Cllr.Hopwood declared an interest at this point and left the room – Cllr.Rogers took the chair).

**SL/04/1493.** 29 Burton Park, Burton – Dormer extension for Mr & Mrs Wylder

No objections were raised by Councillors to these applications.

- **Notice of planning decisions:**

**SL/04/1175.** Kings Arms, Burton - Demolish part of barn & formation of car park **Permission refused.** (Cllrs. asked the Clerk to inform the planning committee of their disappointment at this decision). **(CD)**

**Tree Preservation Order (NO.16) 1979)** – Application to fell the lime tree to the rear of 14 & 15 Glebe Close:- **Permission granted.**

### 6. FINANCE

Balances at the bank at 9 November 2004:-

Current Account	£6,486.43
NSB	5,219.61
Income to date	11,417.60
Expenditure to date	5,917.50

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**7. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED:**

Clerk's salary and expenses	£375.05
Donation for Remembrance Sunday wreath	30.00
Christmas tree lights	30.00

**8. INFORMATION CENTRE AT CLAWTHORPE**

Quotes from the two tenders received were opened. **Councillors unanimously agreed that the quote from D.O'Connor of £4471 plus VAT be accepted.** Cllr.Hopwood to draw up a contract specifying completion date for Clerk to send to them. (JH/CD)

Councillors also instructed the Clerk to write to Ducketts thanking them for their quote. (CD)

**9. HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY**

Cllr. Hopwood reported that after an informal contact with a housing association, they are in the process of putting together a proposal suitable for presentation at a planned village meeting.

**10. REGIONALISATION OF COUNTY FIRE CONTROL**

Councillors discussed the invitation from the Cumbria Fire Service in Cockermouth to oppose the proposal by Central Government to remove the Fire Control in Cumbria and replace it with one Regional Fire Control Centre to serve the North West Region. **Four Cllrs.voted to register opposition to the proposal, two voted against and there were two abstentions.** The Clerk was instructed to register the Council's opposition. (CD)

**11. THE COUNCILS LONGER TERM AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

Councillors agreed that this should take the form of an annual update of the Village Action Plan to support any future application for Quality status. After some discussion **Cllrs. unanimously agreed to finalise proposals for an update of the Village Action Plan at the next Council meeting.** (All Cllrs.)

**12. REPORTS**

- Cllr.Mason-Hornby reported the first meeting of the website working party with BurtonWeb where the basic requirements of the site were agreed after looking at examples of good and bad practice. BurtonWeb will present a mock-up site for consideration at the next working party meeting on 29 November. Any further modifications from that should then be incorporated for the Council to agree. The Clerk was asked to investigate the possibility of grants. (CD)
- Cllr.Boddy reported that at the last meeting of the Recreation Trust there had been one resignation from the committee. He also reported on the meeting between the Business Development Manager of Avebury and Cllrs.Boddy, Hopwood and Jolley at the Royal Hotel at which the possibility was discussed of making available a cottage on the site for affordable housing; also offering the land leased by the Recreation Trust for sale to the Trust. A written response to the meeting from Avebury is awaited by the Council.
- Cllr.Rogers reported that complaints are still being received about the poor condition of Caterpillar Walk. The Clerk was asked to write to Persimmon Homes asking for a copy of their annual maintenance schedule, also to ask Cllr.Bingham if there is a possibility of it being adopted by Cumbria County Council. (CD)
- A request was made to agree expenditure on a Christmas tree be placed on the next agenda. (CD)
- Cllr.Mason-Hornby reported that litter bins had been set on fire at Plain Quarry. (JH/PR)
- He also requested the landowner be alerted of an obscured signpost on the A6070 at Clawthorpe. (CD)
- Cllr.Willink reported that the stone for the Panorama was now ready to be moved to Slape Lane.
- Cllr.Isherwood expressed disappointment that the DEFRA Clean Neighbourhoods Consultation Document circulated last month made no mention of the problem of advertising hoardings adjacent to motorways. There was a majority vote by Councillors for the Clerk to write to DEFRA expressing this disappointment.

**13. COMMUNICATIONS**

Per attached Schedule

**To circulate:**

Per attached Schedule

**Meeting closed at 9.40pm**

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16.12.04

## SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 18 NOVEMBER 2004

### Communications

- SLDC Concessionary Travel Scheme Phase II.
- SLDC informed of a mattress fly tipped near Snoozy Beds sign.
- Capita informed of damage to road sign at 19 Trees junction.
- Bank of Ireland acknowledgement of bank a/c application.
- Invitation to the Offshore Wind Power Exhibition w/c 7.11.04.

### For circulation

- Highways Agency North West Roadworks & Traffic Information. Leaflet – Autumn 2004.
- Marketing flyer from VIDI Visual Communication.
- Town & Parish Standard:02 from the Office of Deputy Prime Minister
- CALC Circular November 2004.
- Quality Parish Council Scheme covering letter from CALC.
- Clerks & Councils Direct, November 2004.
- DEFRA Rural Services Review, 2004.
- NALC Annual Review and Accounts, 2003/04.
- Local Council Review, November 2004.
- Invitation from Lancaster City Council to register for membership of the Carnforth and Area Regeneration Partnership (CARP)
- SLDC Notification of meeting of the Standards Committee 23 November
- Standards Board Code of Conduct guidance booklet for all Councillors.
- CCC Promotion of Teenage Health in Cumbria
- CCC 'Winter Driving in Cumbria' leaflet showing a gritting map of Cumbria and a **Highways Hotline 0845-6096609**