

BURTON IN KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 15 July 2004, at 7.00pm in the Memorial Hall.

PRESENT: Councillors J Hopwood (Chairman), J Alderson, G Isherwood, A Jolley, F Mason-Hornby, K Ray, P Rogers, B Willink, C Dale (Clerk).

IN ATTENDANCE: County and District Councillor R Bingham and four members of the public.

Before the meeting Councillors were addressed by PC Dominique Casson who reported that routine patrols were-established to the Parish in May. Since then, although incident levels were low, the patrols have achieved a reduction in anti social behaviour around the village. The suggested use of the Memorial Hall Surgery Room as a local base (outside surgery hours) was being considered. If parishioners needed to call the police it was suggested they phone **01539 722611**.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apology for absence was received from Councillor Boddy.

- 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING** held on 17 June, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. OPEN FORUM

The poor condition of Dalton Lane as a result of the passage of inappropriately large timber wagons was discussed and it was agreed that the Clerk would write to the operators to express concern and establish what action they can take.

(ACTION BY)

(CD/7.04)

4. MATTERS ARISING

- 4a. New Bank Mandate** still ongoing (minute 7b/17.06.04 refers)

(JA/7.04)

- 4b. Partnership Fund** (minute 7d/17.06.04 refers)

It was agreed the Clerk would write to the Pensions Service and suggest they have a Road Show to provide the information and gather feedback from the Parish.

(CD/7.04)

- 4c. Jubilee Panorama** (minute 7e/17.06.04 refers)

Since the launch of the fund £234.10 has been raised and a £1,250.00 grant received. Permission has been granted to remove the hedge. Councillor Willink will report to the next meeting on progress in raising a further £250.00

(BW/8.04)

- 4d. Clerk's Vacancy** (minute 11/17.06.04 refers)

The new Clerk has been appointed wef 01.07.04 and was formally welcomed.

- 4e. Memorial Hall** (minute 13/17.06.04 refers)

Clerk has received notification from BMH stating that the Parish Council will only be responsible for the room they actually hire, therefore the Clerk has signed the agreement.

- 4f. Reports** (minute 15/17.06.04 refers)

Councillor Isherwood will report back to the Council on the issue of parking outside the village school when the school holidays are over.

(GI/9.04)

- 4g. Licensees at the Royal Hotel** (minute 17a/17.06.04 refers)

Clerk wrote to the Managing Director of Avebury Taverns and a reply is awaited.

- 4h. BT Exchange Building** (minute 17b/17.06.04 refers)

Clerk wrote to the BT Estates Department and a reply is awaited.

- 4i. The hedge in question** has now been cut back (minute 17c/17.06.04 refers)

- 4j. Dalton Woods** (minute 17d/17.06.04 refers)

Clerk spoke to Martin Colledge of Forest Enterprise and he will write to the Parish Council when the work is completed.

- 4k. Blocked Drainage Holes in Wall at Burtlands** (minute 17e/17.06.04 refers)

Capita have written to Burtlands giving them a deadline of 09.08.04 to unblock the holes.

- 4j. Accommodation in BMH for the Community Police** (minute 17f/17.06.04 refers)

BMH Committee has offered the use of the Surgery Room to the Police when it is not in use.



5. PLANNING

SL/04/0883 – Enlargement of front and rear dormers to match adjoining houses for Mr & Mrs Wright, 6 Burton Park. No objections from the Parish Council.

Plan reported as being approved:

SL/04/0735 – Dormer extension and porch/utility room at 73 St James's Drive.

6. RETIRING COUNCILLORS EVENT

Councillors present voted unanimously for the proposal that Councillor Alderson organize a trip for Sunday August 8 on the Kendal Canal, followed by a meal at the Kings Arms. (JA/7.04)

(apologies from Councillor Mason-Hornby who will be unable to attend). Chairman to check legality of expenditure. (JH/7.04)

7. TRAINING

Clerk to book 'Basics for Councillors' training session for Councillors Alderson, Boddy, Jolley and Mason-Hornby on 6 September plus 'Role of Council Chairman for Councillor Hopwood on 8 September (CD/7.04)

8. FINANCE

Balances at bank at 9 July 2004:

Current Account	£7,673.56
NSB	5219.61
Income to date	9655.73
Expenditure to date	3368.90

Accounts approved for payment and cheques signed:

Allianz Cornhill, fragmentation	£397.04
Clerk's expenses	25.50
SLDC, Lighting	458.00
CALC, Training	50.00
Audit Commission	141.00

9. TRANSPORT GRANT

Councillor Alderson reported that two Councillors would meet with a consultant employed by the Countryside Agency during the first week in August. (JA/8.04)

10. PAYPHONES

As there had been no representations from parishioners regarding BT's proposal to remove the payphone at Clawthorpe, Councillors voted 7 to 1 not to appeal. Councillor Alderson asked for it to be minuted that she did not agree with this decision as she felt it was more appropriate to remove the payphone in the Square.

11. BOON TOWN PLAY AREA

Clerk presented the lease and a covering letter from SLDC to the Councillors who, after a discussion, unanimously agreed their proposals for payment are accepted (after the Clerk has checked that the lease does run for 10 years) (CD/7.04)

12. WARNING SIGNS ON DALTON LANE

Councillors unanimously agreed to accept offer from Capita to install signs. Clerk to respond to their letter asking them to install them on Dalton Lane at the junction with Thornleigh Drive and opposite Dalton Lodge near the footpath sign to Dalton (CD/7/04)

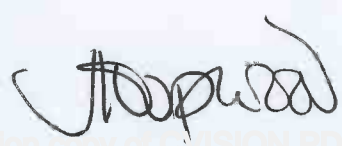
13. REPORTS

13a. Councillor Isherwood reported that, as a result of the inspection of the playing field, wood chippings were required below the swings with baskets. It was agreed this would be an Agenda item next month. (GI/7/04)

13b. Councillor Hopwood reported back on the Recreation Trust AGM on behalf of Councillor Boddy.

13c. Councillor Hopwood proposed replying to a letter in Burton News resurrecting the issue of a youth shelter in the village. After some discussion it was agreed the Clerk should do so. (CD/8.04)

It was also agreed that Mr Summerskill of the Royal Hotel is welcome to attend the August Parish Council Meeting for Councillors to hear his proposals regarding installing a caravan on the site.



14. CORRESPONDENCE

- 14a. Councillors decided not to accept an invitation from CCC to attend a 'Door Step Crime' Forum in Carlisle on 30 July.
- 14b. Letter received from SLDC regarding tree preservation at Burton Hall. A reply has been sent on behalf of the Parish objecting to the proposed felling of a Sycamore tree.
- 14c. Invitation to attend launch of publication of the Parish Registers of St James on 24 July was accepted by the Chairman.
- 14d. Letter received from a parishioner expressing concern over collection of rubbish in plastic bags fortnightly. Clerk to raise this issue with SLDC also find out when the trial period for wheelie bins ends. (CD/7.04)
- 14e. Letter from Burton Morewood School thanking Councillors for donations towards their PTA fundraiser. The Councillors requested it be noted that these were personal donations rather than out of Parish funds.
- 14f. Email received from Anne Nicholls announcing our exchange will have ADSL broadband by 3 November. Log onto broadband4burton@burtonweb.org.uk for further information.

To circulate:

In Touch leaflet. Maps of Common Land from Countryside Agency. Local Council Review. Clerks & Councils Direct. Letter from Councillor Boddy re Recreation Trust.

15. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 15a. Invite the Cumbria Fire Service to have a Road Show to provide parishioners with information on improving the safety of the safety of people's lives. (CD/7.04)
- 15b. A street map of Burton to be available at future Parish Council meetings. (CD/7.04)
- 15c. As Caterpillar Lane has not been adopted by SLDC the verges have not been trimmed. The Clerk needs to take this matter forward. (CD/7.04)

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

