

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 15 April 2010
at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT. Cllrs R Boddy (Chairman), J Brown, J Hopwood, I Hunt, M Taylor, P Rogers, A Wren, and Parish Clerk P Smith.

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies from Cllr F Mason-Hornby were accepted. Apologies from Dist Cllr R Bingham were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 18 MARCH 2010. The minutes of the meeting held on 18 March 2010 were unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(ACTION)

- a. The Police Authority Community Liaison Forum will meet on 22 Apr at 7:30pm in Queen Elizabeth School, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cllr R Boddy will attend.
- b. The next CALC District Association Meeting will be on 17 Jun in Kendal Town Hall.
- c. The new CALC Chief Officer is to be David Claxton recently of Cumbria County Council.
- d. The next Local Area Partnership Meeting will be on 12 May at 7:00pm in Preston Patrick Memorial Hall. Cllr P Rogers will attend.
- e. Lancashire County Council Keer Bridge recycling facility will be considered by their Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 19 May at 1030. Live internet feed will be available. It has been requested that Burton-in-Kendal PC be consulted on any decision to close the facility.

5. OPEN FORUM.

- a. A member of the public reported that she had recently met the Burton-in-Kendal Lord of the Manor who lives in New Zealand. He sent his greetings.
- b. She also noted with pleasure that more of the aluminium footpath signs had been replaced with wooden signs. She believed that three signs remained to be changed.
- c. In response to the newsletter item on Her Majesty the Queen's forthcoming Diamond Jubilee, the same member of the public outlined the village celebrations organised during the Silver and Golden Jubilees. It was agreed that, closer to the event, the Parish Council would work with village organisations to co-ordinate appropriate activity.
- d. PCSO Rachel Thomas had sent a report but had to give her apologies. She reported damage to a vehicle parked on Main Street. The police had not, as yet, made an arrest.
- e. A member of the public had contacted the PC through the website feedback in response to the newsletter to ask if the young people of the village had been asked what facilities they would like in the village. It was noted in discussion that a questionnaire had been circulated through the youth club when the Parish Plan was initiated. It was agreed that the exercise should be repeated.

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6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

- a. Applications granted:
None.
- b. Applications refused:
None.
- c. Applications received:
None.

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7. **FINANCE.** The Council received and noted the final Income and Expenditure Account for the year 2009/10. They also received and noted the Income and Expenditure Account for the year 2010/11 to date, and balances at the bank as at 15 April 2010:

a. Final Account for 2009/10

Income to 31/3/10	£15122.92	Bank of Ireland	£221.67
Expenditure to 31/3/10	£16093.48	NatWest Current	£5308.45
Difference	-£970.56	NatWest Savings	£1515.62
Bank Balance at 1/04/09	£7432.80	Less cheques etc	-£583.50
Carried forward	£6462.24	Carried forward	£6462.24

b. Account for 2010/11

Income to date	£0.00	Bank of Ireland	£221.67
Expenditure to date	£200.26	NatWest Current	£5308.45
Difference	-£200.26	NatWest Savings	£1515.62
Bank Balance at 1/04/09	£6462.24	Less cheques etc	-£783.76
Carried forward	£6261.98	Carried forward	£6261.98

8. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED. (PS)

a.	Lengthsman's contract and expenses to 31 March 2010.	£302.92 (accrue to 2009/10)
c.	Stramongate Press for the Spring Newsletter.	£90.00 (accrue to 2009/10)
b.	Clerk's salary 1 April to 30 April 2010.	£200.26

9. **DECIDE ON RESPONSE TO COUNTY COUNCIL WINTER MAINTENANCE CONSULTATION.** The Clerk circulated a draft reply which was agreed after amendment. It would be proposed to CCC that new grit bins be installed in Glebe Close, St James Drive, Church Bank, Burton Park, Boon Town and at the top of Neddy Hill. (PS)
It was also proposed that the Parish Council should consider purchasing a supply of grit/salt to allow emergency distribution in the event of another severe winter. Cllr Hunt would obtain a quote for a quantity of grit/salt. (IH)

10. **CONTINUATION OF GRASS-CUTTING CONTRACT.** The Council considered a proposal to continue the grass-cutting contract with Grasscare. It was agreed that the contract with Grasscare should be redefined to include the playground which had been out of commission last year. It was also agreed that Grasscare should provide a quote for a one-off cut for times when the grass has grown rapidly and needs cutting before the scheduled time. Subject to these conditions the Clerk was authorised to extend the arrangement with Grasscare. (PS)

11. **COUNCILLORS REPORT ON PARISH PLAN ITEMS AND ADD NEW ITEMS TO THE PLAN.** It was agreed that the Parish Emergency Plan should be added to the rolling list of Parish Plan items. The status of current items was reported:

a.	Bus Shelter: The new signs ordered by Stagecoach are awaited.	(PS)
b.	Design Statement: SLDC will be asked to expedite feedback from Conservation Officer.	(JH)
c.	Improvements to Slape Lane: Work will be completed 17/18 April.	(MT)
d.	Signage: Nothing new to report.	(PR)
e.	Upgrade Playground: CM Signs to cost signs. Last piece of equipment installed.	(PS)

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

- The lengthsman's playground log was noted. No problems had been reported.
- Cllr Rogers reported that the Highways Steward had arranged for the gully pots through the village to be emptied. Now that this had been done it was important to get the roads swept so that all the debris in the gutters was not washed down in to the newly cleaned pots. The clerk had contacted the Highways department to request this work. It was also noted that it would be important to ensure that any necessary gully pot repairs were completed before or in conjunction with the planned resurfacing work. The clerk had also passed this request on to the Highways department. The Highways Steward had also filled small pot-holes around the village.

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c. Cllr Rogers reported that motorway maintenance personnel had left waste material on the verge of Tarn Lane opposite the service entrance to Burton Services. The clerk was instructed to contact the Highways Agency to get this removed. (PS)

d. Cllr Hopwood asked if plans would be made for a quarry visit. It was agreed that the proposed visit for the Council and residents to visit the quarry would be publicised in the next newsletter. (PS)

13. TO NOTE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED. The communications listed below were noted. No additional actions were ordered.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next meeting, which would be the Annual Parish Council Meeting, at which the Chairman for the year would be elected, will take place on Thursday 20 May 2010 at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

The Meeting Closed at 8:37pm

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 10 APRIL 2010
Significant communications not otherwise on the Agenda

1. By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:

- a. CALC Training and Development Courses – 12 Mar 10.
- b. Winter Maintenance Consultation – 15 Mar 10.
- c. Hydro Power Schemes in South Lakeland – 17 Mar 10.
- d. SLDC Response to National Park Boundary Consultation 18 Mar 10.
- e. Flood Recovery Update – 19 Mar 10.
- f. Weekly Rural Focus – 21 Mar, 28 Mar, 6 Apr 10.
- g. CALC District Association Meeting to be 17 Jun – 25 Mar 10.
- h. Re-using Buildings of Character Conference on 21 Apr – 29 Mar 10.
- i. Cumbria Youth Support Services Newsletter – 30 Mar 10.
- j. Localism in Action NALC Conference – 31 Mar 10.
- k. CALC Circular – 6 Apr 10.
- l. Lancashire Recycling Review – 8&9 Apr 10.
- m. LAP Meeting on 12 May – 9 Apr 10.
- n. Flood Recovery – 9 Apr 10.

2. In circulation folder:

- a. Skipton East Lancs Rail Action Partnership Newsletter.
- b. Response to Police Authority Public Awareness Survey.
- c. SLDC Standards Committee Agenda for 13 Apr 10.
- d. CALC Spring Training.
- e. Glasdon Ltd Catalogue for Local Councils.

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GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

ACT	Action with Communities in Cumbria (formerly VAC)
ALSF	Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund
CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
CIEP	Cumbria Improvement and Efficiency Partnership
CiLCA	Certificate in Local Council Administration
CRHT	Cumbria Rural Housing Trust
CVS	Cumbria Voluntary Service
CYSS	Cumbria Youth Support Service
LAP	Local area Partnership
LDF	Local Development Framework
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
NWDA	North West Development Agency
NWRA	North West Regional Assembly
PCM	Parish Council Meeting
ROWIP	Rights of Way Improvement Plan
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council

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