

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 17 May 2007 at 7.00 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT: Cllrs. J.Alderson, R. Boddy, J.Hopwood G.Isherwood, F.Mason-Hornby, P.Rogers, A.Wren, R.Bingham (District Cllr.) C.Dale (Clerk).

IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public.

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN: Cllr.Mason-Hornby proposed that Cllr. Rogers be elected to the Chair. He was seconded by Cllr. Wren. **This was unanimously agreed.**

2. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN: Cllr.Rogers proposed that Cllr.Mason-Hornby be elected as Vice-Chairman. He was seconded by Cllr.Isherwood. **This was unanimously agreed.**

3. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES:

- Burton Recreation Trust – Thanks were offered to Cllr.Boddy for his work in this role after he resigned due to other commitments. Cllr.Alderson volunteered to represent the parish council. Councillors unanimously agreed the appointment.
- CALC - Cllr.Rogers announced he was willing to continue and Cllrs.agreed a second ad hoc representative could be appointed during the year as required
- Memorial Hall Committee – Cllr.Wren
- Quarry Liaison Committee – Cllr.Mason-Hornby and Cllr.Wren
- School Governors – Cllr.Isherwood
- Burton Education Foundation – Mrs K. Unsworth will continue to represent the Parish Council

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllrs. J.Brown, R.Lawson

5. MINUTES OF THE MEETING held on 19 April, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as correct and signed by the Chairman after an amendment was made to Item 14(7) (Reports) – it was unanimously agreed that the last sentence should read '.....the litter at Plain Quarry

6. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Action by)

- Letter of thanks for refurbished map case from D.Craig was read out.
- SLDC consultation document on the proposed parish charter for South Lakeland was explained by Cllr.Rogers and Cllrs.agreed he should respond to them on the Council's behalf **(PR)**
- An Invitation from CALC for Parish Council nominations to sit on the South Lakeland Standards Committee. This was expanded upon by Peter Smith (Chairman of the Standards Committee who was attending the parish council meeting as a member of the public). Cllr Isherwood volunteered. **(CD)**
- An Invitation from CALC for Parish Council nominations to sit on the South Lakeland Local Committee of Cumbria County Council. No nominations were forthcoming.

7. OPEN FORUM – Points raised:

- The Chairman introduced & welcomed Police Community Support Officer to the meeting and PC Suart's apologies and report for the month were read out
- A member of the public reported a car parked on Main Street pavement at that moment and PCSO Cahill went to investigate
- Three commemorative trees were reported dead in Tarn Lane
- Another member of the public thanked the parish council for their efforts that were proving successful in improving the appearance of the parish

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- **Appeal lodged:**
SL/2006/1109 – Land to rear of Old Hall Cottage, Tanpits Lane by Mr M.Jackson for dwelling
- **Planning applications granted:**
SL/07/0183 – 9 Dalton Lane. Rear conservatory for Mr D.Patterson

T.B. 21/6/07

- **Applications withdrawn:**

5/06/9014 – Holme Park Quarry – Temporary site vehicle movements

SL/07/0310 – The Swiss Barn, The Square, Burton. Porch extension & external flue for Mr G.Ormerod

- **Planning applications received:**

SL/07/0204 – Burtlands, Burton – Two storey extension for S.Foster. **Cllrs.unanimously decided there were no objections provided drainage holes off Station Lane are unblocked. (CD)**

9. UPDATE BANK MANDATE

Signing of cheque signatories update was completed.

(CD)

10. FINANCE

Balances at the bank at 8 May 2007:

BOI Treasurers Account	£14,833.50
Income to date	8,772.84
Expenditure to date	1,127.24

11. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED

Clerk's salary and expenses	£291.04
Allianz Cornhill – Annual insurance premium for 2007/08	1,546.29
SLDC – Street lighting for 2006/07	613.73
Cllr. A.Wren – laminate map for Mapcase on Main Street	11.75
Cumbria Playing Fields Association – 2007/08 subscription	15.00
Remuneration of Lengthsman to 16.05.07 (£77X4 weeks =£308)	308.00

12. CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE 2006/07 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The Annual Accounts, having been previously circulated, were discussed and approved. The Annual Return to the Audit Commission was approved and signed

(CD)

13. UPDATE ON BOON TOWN PLAYING GROUND

The Chairman read out email exchanges between the Clerk & SLDC Legal Dept. (See 'Other Communications' on next page). It was agreed the Clerk would forward these to all Cllrs. Cllr.Wren reported that he had fitted a padlock to the vehicle access gate.

(CD)

14. PARISH MAP FOR WEBSITE

A portfolio of work from Des Metcalfe (who did the Panorama artwork) was received by the Council & it was agreed this should be circulated for Cllrs. to consider before the next meeting

(CD)

15. SLDC HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT STUDY

The Chairman reported his attendance at the SLDC consultation event for parish councils that addressed this issue and he repeated the Parish Council's preference for the 'balanced distribution' option. Cllrs.unanimously agreed the Clerk should write to SLDC to express concern that consultants will be visiting the parish independently and unaccompanied by anyone with local knowledge.

(CD)

16. VILLAGE BUS SHELTER

The Chairman reported back on his investigations and presented examples of modern walk through bus shelters that would be suitable for the only possible location in the village, i.e. southbound bus stop near the junction of the A6070 with Vicarage Lane. After a long discussion Cllrs. decided only a stone-built structure was acceptable and there was not a suitable site in Burton for this

17. STREET LIGHTING

The Clerk reported SLDC had provided a comprehensive list of lights, with ID numbers, identifying those that are the responsibility of the parish council. The Clerk was asked to forward these to all Cllrs. to establish their location and decide whether further debate was required

(CD)

18. REPORTS

- The Chairman announced the leaking aqueduct had been reported to British Waterways and that two faulty street lights had been reported to SLDC. He asked SLDC to sweep Main Street and had also received an update from them on their investigations into the fly tipping incidents in Dalton
- Cllr. Mason-Hornby reported the lengthsman was doing an excellent job around the parish

- Cllr.Isherwood requested the Clerk send a letter to Stagecoach enquiring why there is a gap in the hourly 555 bus service between 5pm & 7pm (CD)
- From the Quarry Liaison Committee Cllr.Hopwood explained a solution was being sought by the quarry to recent loud blasts. She would like the parish council to help lobby for the continuation of the ASLEF Fund and explained this year's funding had been agreed for a camcorder & presentation equipment for educational purposes to distribute information about the limestone region

19. COMMUNICATIONS – See Schedule below.

The meeting finished at 8.55pm

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will take place on **Thursday 21 June 2007 at 7.30pm** in the Memorial Hall

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 17 MAY 2007

Website

- **Hot Topic:** Suspended
- **Feedback:** Suspended

Other Communications:

- Trench on Vicarage Lane outside Lugana Bungalow should be attended to during June according to CCC Surveyor Martin Taylor (Highways ref. 133509)
- Instructed Grasscare to maintain Boon Town Playing Ground and invoice to 31.08.07
- Request from CREA – Free Services for Business Start-ups to display poster
- Request to police not to prosecute residents between the Square House & Egremont House for parking on their land in front of their houses
- Request to CCC Highways for a safety assessment of Tanpits/A6070 junction
- Open Space, Sport & Recreation Study questionnaire returned to SLDC
- Cumbria Highways Survey questionnaire returned to CCC
- Order confirmed for installation of replacement milepost with autumn delivery
- Enquiry about Boon Town playing ground 'Village Green' initiative forwarded to M.Brownsord
- Parish Council Calendar distributed to all concerned
- Rejection of SLDC offer to relinquish lease early on Boon Town playing ground sent to NPS
- Reply received from SLDC Legal Services explaining under what statutory powers they served notice on the playing ground. This was also forwarded to M.Brownsord

For Circulation:

- Invitation to attend workshops for green space managers
- Notice from The Standards Board about adopting the revised Code of Conduct
- Leaflet from Komplan on community play areas
- Clerks & Councils Direct May 2007
- SLDC Standards Committee minutes for 8 March
- CALC Circular May 2007
- Cumbria Rural Housing Trust update April 2007
- Cumbria Funding Links information leaflet from CALC
- Appeal from Vitalise
- Notification of aerial pictures of Burton on website from Cllr.Mason-Hornby
- New developments from the Westmorland Gazette about interactive services/forums
- CALC request for email addresses
- Request from SLDC for comments to be emailed to structures@communities.gsi.gov.uk regarding their opposition to CCC bid for a single council for Cumbria by 22 June
- Lancaster City Council's Local Development Framework submission of core strategy
- Community & Parish Plans newsletter Spring 2007
- Observations invited by 16 June on 'Community Governance' prepared by CALC
- Portfolio of work by Des Metcalfe