

BURTON- IN -KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 18 March 2010 at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT. Cllrs F Mason-Hornby (Chairman), R Boddy, J Brown, J Hopwood, G Isherwood, P Rogers, A Wren, Dist.Cllr B Cooper and Parish Clerk P Smith.

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies from Cllrs I Hunt and M Taylor were accepted. Apologies from Dist Cllr R Bingham were received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. None.

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

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(ACTION)

a. The Chairman, on behalf of the whole Council, wished full and speedy recoveries to District Councillor R Bingham and Mrs Joyce Bye, the village's Westmorland Gazette reporter, both of whom were in hospital.

b. The County Council winter maintenance meeting on 23 Mar 10 would be attended by the Clerk who would report back to Council. If appropriate he would raise the general point that gritting minor roads on the approach to major roads should be at the same priority as the major road.

(PS)

c. The Parish Council Notice Board had fallen from its mounting but has now been repaired by Duckett Building Services.

5. OPEN FORUM.

a. PCSO Rachel Thomas had sent a report but had to give her apologies. She reported a burglary to a house on Main Street where a window had been broken to get a handbag. The police had no leads. A suspect has been arrested for the earlier burglaries in the village and is being held on remand for other offences.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

a. Applications granted: None.

b. Applications refused: None.

c. Applications received: None.

7. FINANCE. The Council received and noted the Income and Expenditure Account for the year to date, and balances at the bank as at 18 Mar 10:

Income to date	£15118.28	Bank of Ireland	£660.61
Expenditure to date	<u>£15700.56</u>	NatWest Current	£4906.35
Difference	-£582.28	NatWest Savings	£1510.98
Bank Balance at 1/04/09	<u>£7432.80</u>	Less cheques etc	-£987.76
Carried forward	£6850.52	Add Payments	<u>£760.34</u>
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8. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED.

(PS)

a.	Lengthsman's contract and expenses to 17 Feb 10.	£190.58
b.	Clerk's salary 1 Mar to 31 Mar 10.	£200.26
c.	HMRC tax on Clerk's salary.	£150.18
d.	Stationery Expenses	£108.24
e.	CALC Membership to 1 Apr 2011	£250.00
f.	Local Council Review Subscription	£13.50

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9. STANDING ORDERS. The new model standing orders recommended by the National Association of Local Councils were amended, as allowed, to meet the Council's requirements. Cllr P Rogers proposed, Cllr R Boddy seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to adopt the new model, as amended, to be the Burton-in-Kendal Parish Council Standing Orders. (PS)

10. PROPOSALS FOR SURFACE MARKING ON MAIN STREET. The Council considered the proposals made by Cumbria Highways for surface road markings after the proposed resurfacing of Main Street. The proposals to have no centre line marking through the narrow section but otherwise to retain and improve centre line marking were all agreed. The proposals to have SLOW markings on red before the narrow section was agreed. It was agreed that a SLOW on red should also be included for traffic approaching the school from the North. The proposal to mark bus stop areas was not supported. It was decided that Cumbria Highways would be asked to join councillors for a walk through the village to identify in detail the marking scheme. It was noted that repeated resurfacing could affect local drainage; this would be discussed with Cumbria Highways during the walk around. (PS)

11. PARISH EMERGENCY PLAN. The Council agreed that a working group would be set up to develop a Parish Emergency Plan. The aim of the working group would be to produce a simple plan which addressed responses to emergencies in and around the village for which local people could provide a useful service. Examples of the type of emergency could be problems resulting from serious weather, a train crash, or a light aircraft crash in the built environment. All of these could require a partial evacuation. It was agreed that Cllr Rogers, Cllr Wren and the Clerk would form the working group. (PR)

12. COUNCILLORS REPORT ON PARISH PLAN ITEMS.

- a. **Bus Shelter:** One sign has been fitted, Stagecoach have ordered new signs. (PS)
- b. **Design Statement:** SLDC will be asked to expedite feedback from Conservation Officer. (JH)
- c. **Improvements to Slape Lane:** Work has started on the area by the Nature Reserve gate. (MT)
- d. **Signage:** Nothing new to report. (PR)
- e. **Upgrade Playground:** CM Signs will designed and cost signs after Easter. (PS)

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

- a. The lengthsman has reported a broken seat strut which he will repair.
- b. Cllr Isherwood reported from the School Governors meeting the good Ofsted report given to the school.
- c. Cllr Isherwood asked for an update on the report that the Carnforth Recycling Centre was to be closed by Lancaster City Council. It was agreed to check the validity of the report and express the Council's concern that if the site closed there would be an increase in fly-tipping in the area. (PS)
- d. Cllr Wren reported that the Quarry Liaison Committee had asked that the flooding on the A6070 between the quarry and the A65 be reported. He also passed on an invitation from Aggregate Industries for the Parish Council and residents to visit the quarry. (PS)
- e. Cllr Rogers reported that the South Westmorland LAP met on 24 Feb. A parish councillor had been elected as chairman for future meetings. He had taken the opportunity to note the unsatisfactory state of the gully pots in the village.
- f. Cllr Brown reported that he had attended the Memorial Hall management committee and the meeting of the CALC local area committee in which Choice Based Letting had been discussed.
- g. Cllr Boddy hoped that a suitable local candidate to replace Guy Richardson at CALC could be found.
- h. The Chairman reported the slippery surface on Dalton Lane where weathering had caused damage.

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

20. DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The next meeting will take place on Thursday 15 April 2010 at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

The Meeting Closed at 9:05pm

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Schedule of communications not otherwise in the minutes.

1. By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:

- a. Papers for LAP Meeting on 24 Feb 10.
- b. Safer Stronger Communities Meeting on 8 Mar 10.
- c. CCC Reply to Burton letter on development of the LAP.
- d. Action with Communities in Cumbria Gazette.
- e. Rural Services Network Newsletter.
- f. Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum – 17 March 2010.
- g. Consultation on the extensions to the National Parks.
- h. Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Police Team Report Mar 2010.

2. In circulation folder:

- a. Local Council Review – Spring 2010.
- b. Clerks and Councils Direct – January & March 2010.
- c. Choice Based Lettings.
- d. Recycling Review.
- e. Waterwitch (Canal Trust).

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
CiLCA	Certificate in Local Council Administration
CIEP	Cumbria Improvement & Efficiency Partnership
Cllr	Councillor
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
NWAA	North West Air Ambulance
NWDA	North West Development Agency
NWRA	North West Regional Assembly
NWPPR	North West Plan Partial Review
PCM	Parish Council Meeting
ROWIP	Rights of Way Improvement Plan
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council


F.J.R. Baggott 15.4.10