

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 21 July 2011 at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT. Cllrs P Rogers,(Chairman), J Brown, J Hopwood, I Hunt, G Isherwood, M Taylor, A Wren, and Parish Clerk P Smith. District and County Cllr R Bingham and District Cllr B Cooper were in attendance.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE. One member of the public was present.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.** Apologies were accepted from Cllr R Boddy and Cllr F Mason-Hornby.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.** Cllr I Hunt declared a prejudicial interest in Item 6.c.ii. by virtue of a potential business interest in the proposed work.
3. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 16 JUNE 2011.** The minutes of the meeting held on 16 June 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(ACTION)

- a. The Memorial Hall Committee were congratulated for winning the Jubilee Peoples Millions telephone poll.
- b. The 555 bus service will be replaced by a shuttle bus during the period that the main street in Milnthorpe is closed.
- c. There will be a briefing for Councillors on the SLDC Land Allocations next steps and further consultations on Tuesday 26 July in Kendal. The clerk will attend.
- d. Tim Farron MP has written to the Council with information about a proposal by the Mineral Products Association for a new ALSF.
- e. The date for the next PC Meeting has been changed from 18 August to 25 August.
- f. CALC are seeking a parish councillor to volunteer to sit on the County Council Local Area Committee. There were no volunteers.
- g. The CALC District Association AGM will be on 15 September. The clerk would attend.
- h. Cllr P Rogers now sits on the Local Area Partnership Highways and Footways working party. Parish highways representatives have been introduced and the County Council will publish schedules of road works for the next 18 months.

5. OPEN FORUM.

- a. PCSO Jess Bullock sent apologies and would be submitting a written report.
- b. The Westmorland Gazette reporter expressed her frustration that the Gazette had not published a report of the Jubilee People's Millions award to the Memorial Hall.
- c. The clerk was instructed to arrange with the owner for the overgrowing honeysuckle at the bottom of Burton Park to be trimmed back. **(PS)**

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

(PS)

- a. Applications granted: None
- b. Applications refused: None
- c. Applications received:
 - i. **SL/2011/0257 – 17, St James Drive.** Extension amended as requested by parish council. It was resolved to offer no objection.
 - ii. **SL/2011/0425 – Memorial Hall.** Extension of 1.8m to storeroom to create a children's toilet at the rear of the hall. It was resolved to offer no objection.
 - iii. **SL/2011/0529 – Bank House, Holme Mills.** Removal of local occupancy condition. It was resolved to object to the application on the grounds that the property would be in danger of becoming a holiday or weekend occupancy without the condition. No reason had been offered by the owner as to why the condition should be lifted.

7. **FINANCE.** The Council received the Income and Expenditure Account and bank balances as at 21 July 11:

Income to date	£12426.67	Bank of Ireland	£20.09
Expenditure to date	<u>£5613.16</u>	NatWest Current	£3868.82
Difference	£6813.51	NatWest Savings	£14619.76
Balance at 1/04/11	<u>£10678.90</u>	Less cheques etc	<u>-£1016.26</u>
Carried forward	£17492.41	Carried Forward	£17492.41

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

a.	Lengthsman hours and expenses to 31 May 2011.	£274.31
b.	Clerk's salary 1 Jun to 30 Jun 2011.	£200.12
c.	IT Equipment.	£451.83
d.	Stramongate Press Newsletter	£90.00

9. **REPAIR AND RE-POINTING OF MARKET CROSS PLINTH.** It was resolved to approve the repair and re-pointing of the Market Cross plinth. The clerk was authorised to instruct Able Memorials to complete the work. Cllr I Hunt would contact Able Memorials to advise them of the Council's decision. (PS/IH))

10. **PARISH BROADBAND CHAMPION FOR CALC DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.** It was agreed that Cllr F Mason-Hornby would act as the Parish Broadband champion for the CALC district association. (PS)

11. **SLDC PARKING CONSULTATION.** It was resolved that the Parish Council would respond to the SLDC parking consultation to point out the importance of free or low cost parking in Kendal for residents of outlying villages who worked and shopped in Kendal. A subsidised scheme used elsewhere in which a parking subsidy was linked to prompt payment of Council Tax was mentioned with approval. (PS)

12. **REPORT ON PARISH ACTION PLAN ITEMS.** The following changes were reported on Action Plan items:
- a. The street light on Main St has been replaced.
 - b. Kidnappers' Lane has been tidied.
 - c. The Parish Council IT system has been purchased at a cost of £451.83 from which VAT will be reclaimed.
 - d. An old action to repair the collar on the Jubilee Lamp on the Square would be added to the list. Cllr Wren would investigate the extent of the repair needed. (AW)
 - e. Cllr Wren would attach the bus stop sign at Green Dragon to the bus shelter. (AW)
 - f. Cllr Wren reported the results of the car-parking survey. The group believed that whilst car-parking in the village was not a problem at the moment it would be in future and there was very little land that could be made available for parking. The group stressed the importance of a parish design statement which made it absolutely clear that any future housing development should only be approved if two car spaces per residence were included. As part of their review of the village land the group had noted that ownership of the green space at the bottom of Boon Town was not known. The clerk was instructed to determine who owned the land and if it was not known then the Parish Council would seek to register the land which it had been maintaining. (PS)

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

- a. The playground defects log was inspected. No faults were reported.
- b. Cllr Wren reported that the Sports Committee would like the Council to insure the firework display. This would be an agenda item at the next meeting. (PS)
- c. Cllr Wren asked if the plan to attach Christmas lights to the cherry trees in front of the Memorial Hall would be implemented by Christmas. Cllr Brown reported that this was not likely and it was agreed that Christmas trees would be erected on the front of the Hall again this year.
- d. Cllr Taylor asked if consideration had been given to the village lighting a Jubilee Beacon. It was agreed that this would be an agenda item when Cllr Mason-Hornby was available. (PS)
- e. Cllr Rogers noted that Storth Ltd had trimmed the verges adjacent to their land.
- f. Cllr Rogers noted that the War Memorial surround needed repair or replacement. (PS)
- g. Cllr Brown reported the money from the Lottery award for the Memorial Hall had not yet been received. The Memorial Hall committee were checking the conditions attached to the award.
- h. Cllr Hunt asked if there was any progress on the Speed Indicator Devices. None was known.
- i. Cllr Hopwood noted that the verges on Dicken Lane had been cut back perhaps unnecessarily.
- j. Cllr Hopwood noted that the A6070 was flooding in the vicinity of the Duke whenever there was heavy rain. She noted that this could be cured simply by cutting drains through the verges. (PS)
- k. Cllr Hopwood reported a broken manhole cover on Morewood Drive. (PS)

14. **TO NOTE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED.** The communications listed below were noted. No further actions were ordered.

15. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** Thursday 25 August 2011 at 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

Meeting Closed at 8:46pm

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 16 JULY 2011
Significant communications not otherwise on the Agenda

1. By e-mail forwarded to Councillors:

- a. Forestry Commission – Cattle on Dalton Crag.
- b. CALC – Minutes of District Association Meeting.
- c. CCC - Minutes of Neighbourhood Forum.
- d. CALC Circular.
- e. Leiston-cum-Sizewell Town Council – Large development planning.
- f. CALC – Jubilee Beacons.
- g. LAP – Agenda for LAP meeting on 26 July.

2. In circulation folder:

- a. Clerks and Councils Direct – July 2011.

GLOSSARY OF ABBREVIATIONS

ALSF	Aggregates Levy Sustainability Fund
CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
CIEP	Cumbria Improvement and Efficiency Partnership
LAP	Local area Partnership
LDF	Local Development Framework
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
PCSO	Police Community Support Officer
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council

