# **BURTON- IN -KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 18 December 2008 at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal

PRESENT: Clirs. F.Mason-Hornby (Chairman), R.Boddy, J.Brown, I.Hunt, G.Isherwood, P.Rogers, A.Wren, District Clirs.R.Bingham & B.Cooper, C.Dale (Clerk).

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Three members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Clirs. J.Hopwood, R.Lawson

- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Clirs.Hunt, Isherwood & Wren See Item 6 below
- 3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 20 NOVEMBER: Having been previously circulated, the minutes were confirmed as correct after the term '...raise another £750...' in Item 5 was changed to '...raise £750...', also the penultimate sentence of Item 5 changed to read: 'The committee expressed their thanks & asked that the <u>playground</u> project be added to the list.....', also the term 'space' was changed to 'disabled space' in the first sentence of Item 14. The Chairman then signed and dated the amended minutes.

#### 4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Action

- Information from the SLDC Strategic Partnership was read out and placed in the Circulation File. (All Clirs.) A negative response was read out from SLDC regarding availability of land in Burton for allotments. District Clir.Bingham will pursue this with SLDC & asserted the matter has nothing to do with the County Council. In the meantime District Clir.Cooper announced Holme Parish Council are discussing a field they have inherited to be used for allotments. The Chairman instructed an email received from Darren Nicholls, offering further suggestions of sources of land, be placed in the Circulation File and urged all Clirs.to bring any ideas on land availability to the next meeting. In the meantime he reminded the meeting that CALC are currently awaiting a reply from NALC regarding clarification of the law surrounding allotments and they have advised Parish Councils to await their advice. (All Parish & District Clirs.)
- OPEN FORUM The Chairman read out apologies for absence from PCSO Rachel Thomas & he delivered her Police Report itemising a number of minor incidents,

### 6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Planning applications granted:
- SL/2008/1015 Crow Tree Barn, Dalton Extension for Mrs C.Bentham
- Planning application refused:
- None
- Planning applications received:

SL/2008/1110 – Burton Old Hall Cottage, Tanpits Lane – Two storey rear extension for Mr.M.Jackson. (renewal of Application SL/2005/1277 granted 6.1.06). No objections.

SL/2008/1138 – 3 Chester Terrace, Burton – Replacement dormer window frame for Mrs.S.Colyer. There were no objections to the application.

## 7. FINANCE

Balances at the bank at 18 December 2008: BOI Treasurers Account Income to date Expenditure to date	£10,942.15 17,043.80 14,935.73
8. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED Lengthsman remuneration to 17.12.08 (2 weeks @ £77) Clerk's salary and expenses Stramongate Press (Winter Newsletter) (aq) Ltd. Register 'Burton-in-Kendal-pc.gov.uk' 10.2.09 to 10.2.11	£154.00 322.20 90.00 110.00

## ADOPT LOCAL GOVT. GUIDANCE FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL BANK ACCOUNT INVESTMENT

The Chairman proposed that the Guidance on Local Government Investments issued by the Secretary of State under section 15(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 2003 be formally adopted by the Parish Council. This was seconded by Cllr.Boddy and unanimously agreed. Clerk agreed to amend the Risk Assessment Strategy. (CD)

#### **10.DISCUSS BURTON PLAYING GROUND**

The Chairman instructed an email received from the Chief Executive of Impact Housing be put in the Circulation File. He also reported an unsatisfactory exchange of emails between Impact & SLDC regarding the safety matting for the climbing frame that agreed a meeting between the two parties in March to review the matting before the first grass cut in 2009. Councillors were of the opinion that in the meantime SLDC would be held responsible for any injuries sustained by children falling onto the unsatisfactory surface. The Chairman then reported a meeting will take place at Boon Town with Impact on January 14 to review progress on the safety improvements required by the Allianz Insurance Inspector & Cllr.Wren agreed to be present. **(FM-H, AW)** The Clerk agreed to continue requesting that the missing litter bin be replaced. **(CD)** 

#### **11.UPDATE PARISH PLAN**

Cllr.Wren suggested a footway for the A6070 between Clawthorpe & Burton. The Chairman instructed this be added to the list of proposals for full discussions in the New Year. He reminded Cllrs to finalise their proposals for the next parish council meeting. (All Cllrs.)

## 12.AGREE 2009/10 CALENDAR

Having been circulated with the Agenda to all Clirs., this was unanimously agreed without amendment & the Clerk agreed to publish it on the Notice Boards & on the website before the end of March 2009. (CD)

#### . .REPORTS FROM PARISH & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS.

- Cllr.lsherwood reported that at the School had achieved an Activemark Certificate for 2008. He also thanked the team responsible for erecting the Christmas decorations outside the Memorial Hall
- Cllr.Hunt requested a grit bin for the top of Morewood Drive. District Cllr.Bingham undertook to ensure SLDC would attend to this.
  (Dist.Cllr.RB)
- Cllr.Boddy reported his attendance at the Planning Seminar on 3rd December. Also his reservations over the SLDC Strategic Partnership, its lack of effectiveness and cost of the whole process & urging all Cllrs.to respond to the Consultation (see Circulation File).
- Cllr.Mason-Hornby reported the new CCC Highways Steward Deborah Gwilliam had a free day from Barbon to attend to Burton issues. He then urged motorists to drive carefully between Dicken Lane & Plain Quarry in future: he has witnessed 3 near misses in the past week between motorists & deer crossing the road. District Cllr.Bingham undertook to ensure Highways provided deer warning signs there. (Dist.Cllr.RB)

#### 14. COMMUNICATIONS - See Schedule below

#### 15. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 15 January 2009 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

## SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 18 DECEMBER 2008

- Vebsite
- Hot Topic:
- Feedback: