

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on Thursday 17th June 2021 in the Memorial Hall

PRESENT: Cllrs. A. Wren, G Isherwood, M Taylor, F. Mason-Hornby, L. Bailey, P Rogers, C Nolan, D. Wilson

Also present: County & District Councillor R Bingham and Parish Clerk C Davidson

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: 1 members of the public

1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

District Councillor Brian Cooper

2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:

None

3) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

The previous minutes were approved and will be signed by the Chairman.

4) RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

The chairman informed the Council that the Clerk was looking into have Parish Council emails for all Councillors rather than use personal emails. This will be on the July agenda. Still no Police reports being received, the Clerk will again request that monthly updates are sent prior to meetings.

5) OPEN FORUM

A letter has been received from a resident of Boon Town regarding the new development and issues with the contractors and parking. Various points were raised in the letter and the Clerk will respond. However it was also reported that a meeting has been arranged with the contractor and residents to help resolve the issues.

A letter from a resident of The Square has been received requesting an update on the site meeting held in The Square as well as parking issues in the village. The Clerk will respond accordingly and the update will be discussed in Agenda Item 12 (2).

6) RECEIVE REPORTS FROM COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Report from County & District Councillor Bingham was received and circulated to Councillors and Press prior to the meeting.

They think it's all over"-no I'm not referring to the Euro football World Cup but to COVID. A month ago-it was reported by the County's Health Chief Officer Colin Cox that Cumbria had recently suffered no COVID deaths. Now the grim mortality tables have been turned –yet again. In the first half of June there were 77 new cases in the County. The greatest number were in Eden, once the 'safest' district. Even so all Cumbrian districts were below the averages for vulnerable areas especially the Lancashire Districts around Blackburn which are only 50 miles from us. 19 COVID patients admitted to Carlisle hospitals and there were no new cases admitted to Lancaster, RLI or the other Morecambe Bay hospitals.

To politically minded people the biggest news for many years concerns the changes on constituency boundaries. Apparently Cumbria's require six MPs are too many for our

population while expanding areas mainly in the south –east require more representatives. Thus our current Westmorland and Lonsdale Constituency is to be broken up. In particular our immediate area is to become part of 'Morecambe and South Lakeland'. This will include Morecambe, Carnforth and our immediate Lancashire villages like Warton and in South Westmorland our current Lower Kentdale Division as far as Preston Richard, Milnthorpe and Arnsdale and the Lyth Valley villages like Levens. BUT Bowness and Windermere will become part of Copeland –so irrespective of the Lakes and Mountains in between Windermere will be linked to Whitehaven. Kendal, Kirkby Lonsdale and points north will form another Constituency of Westmorland and Eden as far as Penrith. North Eden will form part of Carlisle. The proposals for our area may bring nearer the prospect of our joining a Unitary Morecambe Bay Authority which so far has been discounted by many authorities. Please what do you think?

Meanwhile normal business continues. I have had complaints about the temporary closure because of infra-structure repairs to the public car-park on Boon Town and was told it would only be for 'a few days'. At the same time several people have contacted me about the MUGA –recreation area. I intend to give the MUGA a grant. On highways I am pleased that Vicarage Close has been 'patched' and that a phase three of the flood work is soon to be implemented.

7) **PLANNING**

To formulate comments to the following planning application:

SL/2021/0546 10 Hollowrayne, Burton-in-Kendal
Lawful Development Certificate – rear extension
No comments or objections

SL/2021/0542 Hemplands, Burton-in-Kendal
Raise roof of existing bungalow to create first floor.

The Parish Council have not yet been asked by SLDC for comments. However, there were no comments or objections to this application.

Applications with decision

SL/2021/0368 Newlands, Vicarage Lane, Burton-in-Kendal
Glass Balcony to front extension – granted with conditions.

8) **TO AGREE DATES FOR THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2021/22**

The dates for the Council meetings were agreed as every 3rd Thursday of the month:

15 July 2021	Parish Council Meeting	
19 August 2021	Parish Council Meeting	
16 September 2021	Parish Council Meeting	
21 October 2021	Parish Council Meeting	
18 November 2021	Parish Council Meeting	
16 December 2021	Parish Council Meeting	
20 January 2022	Parish Council Meeting	
17 February 2022	Parish Council Meeting	
17 March 2022**	<i>Annual Parish Meeting</i>	(7:15pm)
17 March 2022**	Parish Council Meeting	

It was agreed that the usual 7pm attendance by a Councillor will not continue as the Clerk and other Councillors are available to contact at any time by telephone or email for residents unable to attend the meetings.

9) TO DISCUSS SUGGESTIONS & IDEAS FOR LOCAL TEENAGERS

Discussions took place following a recent request from teenagers of the village for a skate park or similar. As the Parish Council do not own any land that a skate park could be installed this idea needs to have a lot of thought. It was agreed that Cllr Wren would look into costs and implications for a skate ramp being installed at Boon Town Playground and this would be discussed further when more information has been obtained.

10) PARKING

Lengthy discussion took place regarding parking in Burton-in-Kendal. It was agreed that there is no easy solution. Different options were discussed including the Park Share Scheme where residents, with unused parking, rent space to vehicle owners. It was agreed that the Parish Council would request expressions of interest both from car owners wanting parking and residents with space. The PC would then help facilitate the scheme. The second option would be to ask Cumbria Highways to come and do a survey of possible roadside parking and kerb drops.

This item will be back on the July agenda for further discussion.

11) FINANCE

Consider the bank balances and the Income and Expenditure Account and agree that Councillors Wren and Bailey authorise the payments

Authorise payment of the following accounts:

a) Lengthsman Hours and Expenses	£ 650.00
b) Clerk's Salary	£357.60
c) CALC Training	£40.00
d) Ashlea Landscapes	£271.92

12) OUTSTANDING ITEMS

No	Item	Reported by	Action	Status
1	B4RN	FMH		This item is ongoing and will now be removed from Outstanding items
2	PSiCA	CN		See report below
3	Slape Lane			Cllr Mason-Hornby to get contractor to visit site and report back to see what can be done for the £1000 ringfenced money.
4	Church Bank Gardens Issues	JH		Ongoing – Tom Harvey dealing – Clerk to ask for update
5	Community Group Update	LB/CD		Very few calls now
6	Rubbish Bin – Square	Clerk		Will be replaced when scaffold has gone.
7	Boon Town Playground/South Lakes Housing	AW/JH		Playground equipment will be installed this week. Values have been received to be added to Asset Register.
8	Barrier, Plain Quarry	FMH	CD	Barrier has been replaced. Clerk has sent thanks to Forestry Commission.
9	Potential Market	CN		No progress

PSICA

A site meeting took place on 10th June with Stakeholders and Chairman Alan Wren and Cllr Chris Nolan. The following works were agreed:

EAST SIDE.

- Re lay/replace odd sets and level sets.
- Fit new slot drains damaged by contractors.
- Replace all damaged conservation kerbs.
- Patch & replace odd coating on farm track.

- **WEST SIDE.**

- Fix down spout & extend shoe on old Bank.
- Re point cobbles with correct mix.
- Replace plastic grid with cast iron.

- **ROAD.**

- Re surface patch with correct coating.
- Fix defects in road coating.
- Remove drain cover in road and cap.

13) LENGTHSMAN'S LOG, REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK.

- a) Cllr Isherwood is still looking into electric car charging points
- b) Cllr Mason-Hornby requested the Parish Council look into cost to provide a litter bin at Plain Quarry and also asked if the Lengthsman could mow some path around the picnic area.
- c) Cllr Rogers has cut back vegetation on Slape Lane, the Lengthsman has done weeding in The Square and SLDC has been round the village with the sweeper.
- d) Cllr Nolan asked about the siting of the bench in The Square as he believed the owners of The Royal has planned to put tables out.

14) TO RECEIVE AND ACTION COMMUNICATION RECEIVED.

All correspondence deal with under previous items.

15) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on **Thursday 15th July 2021 at 7.30pm** in the Memorial Hall