

BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL
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**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 20 October 2005 at
7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall, Burton-in-Kendal**

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Seven members of the public.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Cllr. K.Ray, B.Willink, R.Bingham (District Cllr.), PC Casson

2. **MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS** held on 15 September and 11 October, having been previously circulated, were confirmed as correct and signed by the Chairman

3. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Action by)

- There were no volunteers to attend the Army Presentation on 31 October in Kendal
- North West Regional Spatial Strategy Consultation invitation to participate accepted (for further information log on to rssnwra.dialoguebydesign.net) (JH,GI & FM-H)
- CALC invitation to AGM 12 November, 2005 at Cleator Moor Civic Hall accepted (JH)
- CALC urgent request for views on the Audit Commission Review of Road Safety in Cumbria (GI)
- SLDC invitation to respond by 28 October 2005 to their draft Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report. (For further information log on to www.southlakeland.gov.uk/main.asp?page=1901) (JH,GI & FM-H)
- Cumbria Police Authority 2005 Annual Report and questionnaire requiring a response by 27 October regarding restructuring proposals (PR)
- Petition from Tim Farron MP to Save Cumbria Police Force. Cllrs. instructed the Clerk to reply by saying it is more appropriate for the MP to approach individual local businesses himself (CD)
- Letter from SLDC regarding proposed training standards for parish clerks (CD)
- Notification of the Community & Parish Plans conference 21 October 2005, now postponed to February
- Notification from Tim Farron MP's advice surgeries for Autumn 2005 for the Parish Notice Board (CD)
- Application for transfer of liquor licence to Mr Hulme for the Dutton Arms. **Cllrs. had no objections**
- Request for financial support from the North West Air Ambulance. **Cllrs. agreed a donation of £50**
- Shutters on the Royal Hotel are now fixed inside the windows
- Westmorland Gazette request for information on local eyesores to launch a 'Stop the Grot' campaign
- Joint Lancashire Minerals & Waste Development Framework Submission Draft Statement of Community Involvement from Lancashire County Council
- Request from CCC for an update on responses to the Cumbria Minerals & Waste Development Framework Submission Draft Statement of Community Involvement by 12 November (RB)
- Invitation to 'Energising Cumbria' Conference in Carlisle 3 November (FM-H)
- PC Casson emailed her apologies, promised a report as soon as possible for October and confirmed steps were in place to place a Speed Indicator Device outside the Green Dragon Farm. Cllrs confirmed this had occurred at both ends of the village, but as the device is shared, it is not permanent

4. **OPEN FORUM – Points raised: -**

- Members of the public expressed concern regarding extra traffic that the proposed development for affordable housing will generate at Boon Town and the poor access onto Main Street. Confirmation was sought that only locals will benefit from the development.
- Concern was expressed about Clawthorpe signs. Clerk will contact CCC for a site visit (CD)
- Dissatisfaction with pavement repairs was expressed. CCC is hosting the CALC Council meeting in the Kendal County Hall on 24 November at 6pm. Highways issues are on the agenda and the Parish Council is invited to submit items for this agenda item. Explanation of the audit system for repairs was suggested. Members of the public were urged to contact the Highways Hotline (0845 6096609) to report any highways problems
- A complaint was made about an overgrown hedge at 2 Fern Terrace (CD)

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

- Successful Appeal for planning permission granted for **SL/2005/0334** – Coppers End, Tanpits Lane – First floor extension for Mr. P. Wearing

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SL/2005/1072 – Boon Town, Burton – Erection of seven affordable dwellings for Impact Housing Association Ltd. **Councillors unanimously agreed that the following response to SLDC:**

- 'Locals only' – the Parish Council requires reassurance that first priority will be given to residents of Burton Parish and request a copy of the wording of the S106 Agreement relating to this
- The playground is not visible from the road and is situated behind the gardens of the proposed houses, which are shown as having 1800mm high fencing. This makes it unacceptable to parents and children using the playground, unacceptable to the potential users of the houses and a potential problem to the village generally.
- The type of play equipment and its siting needs specifying
- Confirmation that the play equipment will be provided by the Housing Association and that it be adopted by SLDC
- Highways have already expressed concern over traffic exiting onto Main Street from Boon Town. A solution is required from them to improve vision at the junction and slow down the traffic along Main Street
- Visitor parking spaces should be allowed for
- Footpath to the play area crosses the 3 parking bay and runs too close to the gable end of the bungalow
- A planted bed is required alongside this gable end to prevent balls being kicked against it
- Tiled roofs are inappropriate. They should be slate to match all the other houses on Boon Town
- The Parish Council regards the use of Upvc as unacceptable in all developments in Burton and wishes to see painted timber window frames and doors

6. FINANCE

Balances at the bank at 20 October 2005: -

BOI Treasurers Account	£10,100.11
Income to date	8,733.22
Expenditure to date	5,906.74

7. ACCOUNTS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHEQUES SIGNED

Clerk's salary and expenses	£289.15
Audit Commission fee for 2004/05	141.00
SLCC – Governance & Accountability, Practitioners Guide (as required by Paragraphs 1.6 & 18.1 of the Financial Regulations)	22.99
Stramongate Press – Printing 700 Newsletters	90.00
SLDC – lighting costs for 2004/05	458.00

8. UPDATED FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Cllrs. unanimously agreed to adopt the current NALC model after the removal of the first sentence of Paragraph 3.2 (CD)

9. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

Cllrs. unanimously agreed to adopt the revised version distributed with this months agenda

10. PARISH PRECEPT 2006/07

Cllrs. unanimously agreed to hold the precept at previous years levels, in line with the budget proposals made at the last Parish Council Meeting

11. MEMORIAL PLAQUE TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF WORLD WAR 2 + PARISH NOTICE BOARD

- The Chairman reported that another quote had been received for £570. Cllrs. decided another quote should be obtained from Able Memorials Ltd. Using stone donated from Holme Park Quarry (JH)
- The Chairman reported that the Notice Board required repainting as part of the refurbishment and undertook to obtain a quote from a local tradesman (JH)

12. HIGHWAYS ISSUES ON THE JUNCTION OF VICARAGE LANE AND MAIN STREET

Cllrs. considered the letter from the Principal Highways Engineer, reporting on his proposals agreed with Mr. Brownsord. They agreed with these, and asked the Clerk to reply to his letter and confirm the mirror is effective and should remain in place.

13. ROAD SIGNS AT THE JUNCTION OF THE A6070/TARN LANE/DALTON LANE

Cllrs. agreed the Clerk should ask the Principal Highways Engineer for a site visit to agree suitable signs compatible with those on the Vicarage Lane/Main Street junction agreed in agenda item 12 above (CD)

14. BURTON MOREWOOD SCHOOL RAILINGS

Cllr.Isherwood reported that a planning application is awaited for railings 1.2 metres high around the site

15. CO-OPTION OF NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR

Members of the public were asked to withdraw so that Cllrs.could discuss the applications. The result of a ballot was a majority in favour of Richard Lawson. Clerk was instructed to write to all candidates **(CD)**

16. REPORTS

- Cllr.Boddy on the AGM of Burton Leisure Ltd, which is part of Burton Recreation Trust, and of a proposal for the school to use the Trust's facilities
- Cllr.Rogers reported a site visit with a representative of the Cumbria Waste Management Environment Trust to the historic signposts that need refurbishing. They will give favourable consideration to the Council's application for a grant.
- Cllr.Mason-Hornby reported rocks being thrown onto picnic tables at Plain Quarry
- Cllr.Isherwood explained that white lines outside the school are not being extended up Morewood Drive. There is a suggestion that the verge be removed & Main Street parking bay extended back to the school

17. COMMUNICATIONS – See Schedule below**18. WEBSITE:**

Cllrs. unanimously agreed the Hot Topic for the coming month would be 'Those who stop their car, even for a moment, outside the Post Office create a serious traffic hazard' **(CD)**

The meeting finished at 9.55

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will take place on **Thursday 17 November 2005 at 7.30pm** in the Memorial Hall**SCHEDULE OF COMMUNICATIONS TO 17 OCTOBER****Website**

- **Hot Topic:** Do you like the new Parish Quarterly Newsletter?
Yes: 11 votes No: 3 vote
- **Feedback:** I appreciate hearing the views of the PC via their newsletter but couldn't a report be placed in Burton News every quarter and a donation made to BN thus saving some of the £400 pa that the PC newsletter is reported to cost - surely there are better ways of using this money?
- Sarah, this has been discussed by the BN committee at the request of the PC, but the BN committee felt it could not guarantee the regular quarterly space needed by the PC due to the limitations on our space/funding levels.
We also felt that the PC newsletter should have its own identity to reinforce the work that the PC do, rather than risk it being lost in the general content of BN amongst our other regular and occasional columns.
Anne Nichols, Burton News editor
- This sounds as if BN made the decision for the PC!
Many parish councils have a newsletter in some form or other. We need to keep all parishioners abreast of what we are doing now and in the future (we work on your behalf after all)! and we wanted to make everyone aware of the website so that you can access full details and give your views and opinions (as Sarah has done). We are aware that not everyone reads the minutes posted on the notice board every month so delivering a quarterly newsletter to every household should reach everyone.
BN is an excellent village magazine but the parish council news needs its own separate identity (as BN editors agree)
We asked BN for a price for printing a separate newsletter and delivering it with BN that they declined to do. We obtained two quotations from local printers and agreed it would be a very good idea if the parish councillors delivered them themselves!
- Actually my previous post doesn't state or infer that BN made any such decision for the PC. It simply stated the views & decision of the BN committee in reply to a request from the Parish Clerk.

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I must also correct your assertion as to what BN was asked to quote for, it was not, as you state, "for a price for printing a separate newsletter and delivering it with BN". The request which BN received from the Parish Clerk was this: "The Parish Council wish to consider at the next Meeting how much it will cost for space extending to two full sides each quarter to accommodate their proposed Quarterly Report."

As I stated in the earlier message, BN committee could not guarantee the regular quarterly space needed by the PC due to the limitations on our space/funding levels. This space was requested inside the magazine, not as a separate newsletter.

Anne Nichols, Burton News editor

Other Communications

- Kent Estuary Neighbourhood Forum minutes for meeting 6 September
- Letter to SLDC reporting the decision of the Council at the Special Meeting held 11 October regarding Further Electoral Review
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For Circulation

- Submission to the Cumbria Democracy Commission from CALC
- Request for parish support for crematorium at Sampool Bridge planning application from 'In Memorium'
- CALC Annual Report for November
- Notification of CALC AGM 12 November 2005
- CALC Circular for October 2005
- Friends of the Lake District report and newsletter Autumn 2005
- Cumbria Second Local Transport Plan from CCC
- Glasdon play equipment leaflets
- Wicksteed play equipment brochure

Glossary of Abbreviations:

CALC	Cumbria Association of Local Councils
CCC	Cumbria County Council
CWT	Cumbria Wildlife Trust
DEFRA	Dept. for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
ODPM	Office of the Deputy Prime Minister
SLCC	Society of Local Council Clerks
SLDC	South Lakeland District Council

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