BURTON-IN-KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Burton-in-Kendal Memorial Hall on Thursday 18th May 2023 at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. A. Wren, M. Taylor, F. Mason-Hornby, G Isherwood, C Nolan, D Wilson Also present: Parish Clerk C Davidson and 3 members of the public.

1) TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2023/24

Cllr Mason-Hornby was proposed by Cllr Wren and seconded by Cllr Wilson and elected unanimously as Chairman.

2) TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Chairman signed the acceptance of office.

3) TO APPOINT A VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR COUNCIL YEAR 2023/24

Cllr Nolan put himself forward for Vice Chair and seconded by Cllr Isherwood and elected unanimously as Vice-Chairman

4) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

5) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION:

Full Declaration of interest forms circulated to Councillors for completion and return to Westmorland and Furness Council.

6) MINUTES OF THE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

The previous minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

7) TO APPOINT PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

a) Burton Education Foundation
 b) Burton Recreation Trust
 d) Memorial Hall Committee
 e) Quarry Liaison Committee

 No representative –
 George Isherwood
 Chris Nolan
 Alan Wren

f) School Governors - George Isherwood g) Fireworks Working Group - No longer required i) Parking & Traffic Working Group - No longer required

8) TO ASSIGN RESPONSIBILITY TO THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

a) Boon Town Play Groundb) Lengthsman AdministratorMike TaylorMike Taylor

c) Plain Quarry - Francis Mason-Hornby d) SID - Alan Wren as required

e) PSICA - Chris Nolan

9) RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM CHAIRMAN

None

10) OPEN FORUM

Three residents attended the meeting to observe and obtain more information about the Casual Vacancies

11) REPORTS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

No report

12) REVIEW AND APPROVE RISK ASSESSMENTS AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

The Risk Assessment and Internal Controls were previously circulated to Councillors. Cllr Wren proposed the document be approved and agreed, seconded by Cllr Nolan and Chairman signed the document.

13) APPOINT COUNCILLOR TO REVIEW PARISH COUNCIL ASSET REGISTER

It was agreed that the Clerk should circulate the Asset Register document to all Councillors to review.

14) TO APPOINT INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 2023/24

It was agreed that Mr Richard Clarke would carry out the internal audit for the Parish Council.

15) TO APPROVE FINAL INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR Y/E 31ST MARCH 2023

Cllr Wren proposed that the Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2023 be approved by the Council. Seconded by Cllr Taylor, unanimously agreed and signed by the Chairman.

16) TO CONSIDER, AGREE AND SIGN THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE AND ANNUAL GOVERNANCE & ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN FOR YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Cllr Wren proposed the Parish Council agreed and sign the Exemption Certificate and Section 1 and 2 of the AGAR for the year ended 31st March 2023, seconded by Cllr Isherwood and unanimously agreed and signed by Chairman.

17) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

 a) SL/2023/0215 Church Bank House, Main St, Burton-in-Kendal Convert unused storeroom and stable into residential annex.
 No comments

18) INCOME & EXPENDITURE

Consider the bank balances and the Income and Expenditure Account noting the receipt of the precept and Council grant of £15,826.18 and CIL payment of £1737.51. Authorise the release of the following payments by Cllrs Wilson and Taylor.

Authorise payment of the following accounts:

a) Lengthsman hours and expenses	£377.00
b) Clerk's Salary & Expenses	£387.80
b) BHIB Insurance Premium	£2409.09
c) Ashlea Landscapes (April grass cutting)	£ 285.53

19) OUTSTANDING ITEMS

No	Item	Reported	Action	Status
		by		
1	Benches			Work to be carried out 31st May
2	Traffic & Working Group			Crossing is a possibility.
				Feasibility study to now take
				place
3	Casual Vacancies			Ongoing, New suggestions to be
				considered.
4	Picnic Benches			Timber ordered, Forestry
				England will do the work when
				staff available.
5	Community Asset Register	FMH	CD	Nomination forms to be
				submitted more information has
				been requested by Council.
6	Coronation			School garden project to be
	Commemorations			added to June agenda for
				approval.
				Other ideas still to be considered
				– curved benches, trees
7	Meadow Close to Boon	CN		Work to be carried out very soon.
	Town footpath			

20) REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS AND REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS AND CLERK.

- a) Lengthsman to be asked to cut back overgrown hedge and bottom of Post Office Lane.
- b) Cllr Taylor asked if the trees on Tarn Lane could be trimmed back to go on Lenghtsman list

21) TO RECEIVE AND ACTION COMMUNICATION RECEIVED. None

22) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Thursday 15th June 2023 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall – this will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting.