

BISHOP BURTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Bishop Burton Parish Council meeting held in Bishop Burton Village Hall on Monday 28th November 2016 at 7.30pm in Bishop Burton Village Hall.

Present:

Councillors: Cllr Martin Gary; Cllr David Oxtoby; Cllr Jack Wray; Cllr Trevor Thomas; Cllr Mark Hoddinott; Cllr Mrs Sue Ellerington; Cllr Jonathon Dolton; Cllr Leonard Byass

Cllr Pollard was present for part of the meeting.

Members of the public-none

11.1138 Apologies for absence: Cllr Andrew Oxtoby.

11.1139 Declaration of Pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests and requests for dispensations: Cllr D.Oxtoby in respect of 11.1161 d)

11.1140 Open Forum – no matters arising.

11.1141 Minutes if previous meetings – Minutes of the full council meeting of the 26th September 2016 and planning meetings of the 31 October and 7th November 2016 were previously circulated. **Resolved** minutes were a true and correct record, proposed Cllr Gray, seconded Cllr Wray. The minutes were duly signed by the chair.

11.1142 Matters arising:

- a) Lambing Sunday 2017 – Matter ongoing. ERYC liaising with Bishop Burton College. **Resolved:** Clerk to continue to follow up and advise if councillors help needed.
- b) Signage on fence – matter is in the hands of ERYC.
- c) Johnsons pond – **Resolved:** Cllr Gray to carry out repair work in the summer of 2017 when the water levels are low.
- d) The Green – damage to the posts and green –**Resolved:** Clerk to follow up.
- e) Bus standing westbound – **Resolved:** Cllr Gray to construct a seat.
- f) Stiles – Dale Gate and Cottage Field – **Resolved:** Matter ongoing –Cllr Gray to repair as required.
- g) Notice boards by the shop and the Mere. Cllr Thomas was thanked for arranging the repair to both boards. They both now open easily. **Resolved:** The backboard on the one near the Mere needs replacing. Cllr Thomas kindly agreed to arrange.
- h) Duck signs – now in place
- i) Ratten row – correspondence has been received from the resident confirming that the garage is still to be built per the original plans submitted. Noted that no timescale for the garage had been given. **Resolved:** Clerk to request expected timescale.
- j) Bryan Mere Green – carried forward
- k) Heritage weekend. Clerk commented that she would contact parties who may be involved to see if they would be interested and report back.
- l) Pay Phone – Clerk confirmed that she had written to ERYC objecting to the removal of the payphone on the A1079 as this area was an accident blackspot and there is a very poor/no mobile coverage.

11.1143 Community led housing - Resolved: Cllr Thomas to attend the workshop on the 8th December in Market Weighton.

11.1144 Playground:

- a) Annual inspection. The inspection report was reviewed. The inspector assessed the overall risk rating for the playground as low. Only point of note - the risk of finger entrapment in respect of the shearing point on the self-closing mechanism of the gate. The report assesses that the matter requires monitoring. **Resolved:** to accept the report and monitor the gate closing mechanism.
- b) Weekly inspections – only matter reported is risk of finger entrapment noted above.
- c) Note: grass is now being cut regularly.

11.1145 Kerbing around the village – All samples were review and discussed. **Resolved:** not to go ahead with the kerbing. It was felt it was too expensive. **Resolved:** Clerk to inform all those involved. Concern was raised that without the kerbing problems re drainage and damage to the grass will continue. To try to alleviate the drainage problems **Resolved:** Clerk to investigate the cost of sweeping the village when required. In respect of erosion of the verges it was agreed that damage seems to have lessened since the yellow lines have been in place. **Resolved:** to keep a watching brief on the matter.

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11.1146 Lease on Cottage Field. – It was confirmed that a letter had been sent to Hornsey's and that the Parish Council would be invoicing £510 when required.

11.1147 A1079 – Update re meeting with Nigel Leighton. Email of 1 October indicated currently considering relocating the masts, and, that putting a buffer zone eg 40mph or 50mph would not be effective. Clerk has chased for further update and copy of report. **Resolved:** Cllr Pollard to chase.

11.1148 Police

- a) Humberside Police and Partners meeting. Cllr Hoddinott presented his report. It was noted that Funding is available towards the development of open spaces through the Tesco Community bag funding scheme. **Resolved:** to see if Bishop Burton could apply in respect of two of the outside wooden seats that are no longer serviceable. Cllr D.Oxtoby to obtain quotes for replacement seats, Cllr Hoddinott to progress the application for funding.
- b) Quarterly Anti-social behaviour reports – contents were noted.

11.1149 Electric update

- a) Npower goodwill gesture – still not received. **Resolved:** Clerk to chase.
- b) Charging re new lights. The rate appears to be incorrect. Clerk has contacted Opus who have confirmed they are charging as advised by Northern Powergrid. **Resolved:** Clerk to contact Northern Powergrid and progress the matter.

11.1150 Bonfire – 2016

- a) The Bonfire went well, there was a good turnout and the funds raised covered the costs. Many who attended commented that the fireworks were very good. Closing the road had gone down well, and there had been no negative comments re moving the bonfire. Overall a very successful evening. Cllr Wray was thanked for organising the event.
- b) Funds raised were £738.32, costs £583.34 (£700 inc VAT) and the balance on the account now stands at £851.32.

11.1151 Ice House listing. Historic England had been contacted. They have advised that it is possible to list such things as Ice Houses. Unanimously **Resolved:** Clerk to start the listing process for the Ice houses in the village.

11.1152 Donations for 2016/17

It was unanimously **Resolved** that the council in accordance with its power under section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure: -

Donation to: Bishop Burton News - £320; Parochial Church Council £450; Parochial Church Clock - £35; Ralph Hansby Charity - £350

which in the opinion of the council are in the interest of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit in a manner commensurate with the expenditure. All amounts are to be paid immediately.

It was also **Resolved** that a donation of £750 should be given to Bishop Burton Village Hall. It was **Resolved** that this could be used as the 3rd party funding element in respect of a WREN grant should the Village Hall be successful in their bid re a new kitchen. If they are unsuccessful it will be paid in cheque as will any difference between the third-party funding amount and the agreed £750.

Note: All amounts are the same as the previous year.

11.1153 Dates for 2017. Revised dates were agreed.

11.1154 Wall around the War Memorial – to carry forward to March meeting.

11.1155 ERYC – budget event update. Cllr Wray commented that the event was very useful in understanding the pressures on ERYC. It was noted that ERYC intended to increase their budget by 3.99%.

11.1156 2017/18 Budgets and Precept

Prior year numbers and budget estimates were circularised. These were discussed. It was noted that ERYC had advised the provisional Band D equivalent as 211.2, and, that ERYC were raising their precept

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by 3.99%. Cllrs felt that with the squeezed ERYC budgets they were already seeing services being cut, eg street sweeping less often, which would ultimately mean that they would be forced to incur more costs picking up the areas ERYC no longer did. In view of this, subject to ERYC confirming the tax base, Cllrs **Resolved** to put the Band D equivalent up 3.99%, subject to final discussion in January.

11.1157 Drains in the village. It has been reported that Rattan Row is again blocked. This has been passed onto ERYC.

11.1158 Planning

ERYC have approved the following applications:

- a) 16/02103/PLF. Proposal: Erection of and agricultural building for free range egg production with associated feed bins and hardstanding. Location: Land West of Crawberry Hill Walkington Heads, Walkington, East Riding of Yorkshire. Applicant: Knights Garth Farm.
- b) 16/02373/PLF. Proposal: Erection of two dwellings following the demolition of agricultural buildings. Location: Eastfield Farm, The green Bishop Burton, East Riding of Yorkshire, HU1 8QA. Applicant Mr&Mrs R&L Middleton and E&L Rudd.

ERYC have refused the following applications:

- a) 16/02820/PLF. Proposal: erection of dwelling and conversion of existing dwelling to form garage and office all in connection with equestrian use (resubmission of 16/00849/PLF); Location: Heath House Stables, Newbald road, Bishop Burton, East Riding of Yorkshire, HU17 8EF; Applicant: Ms Caroline Mackevych.

Planning appeals received:

- a) AP/E2001/W/16/3160871. (ERYC ref:16/00067/REFUSE). Land South of the Granary, Calais Croft, Bishop Burton HU17 8QL. Erection of 2 cottages and associated parking (resubmission of 14/02999). Appellant: Mr Trevor Walkington.

Unanimously **Resolved** Clerk to respond to the inspectorate re the points made in the appeal document.

Planning applications received – none.

11.1159 Finance – year end accounts to 31 March 2017.

- i. Main account – **Resolved** to approve the receipts and payments account and bank reconciliations circulated. Proposed Cllr Ellerington, seconded Cllr Thomas. The chairman duly signed the accounts and reconciliations.
- ii. Fireworks account – **Resolved** to approve the receipts and payments account and bank reconciliations circulated. Proposed Cllr Ellerington, seconded Cllr D.Oxtoby. The chairman duly signed the accounts and reconciliations.
- iii. Deposit account – carried forward.

Finance – Other

To Pay:

Clerks overtime & expenses (cheque 101483)	£474.63
SLCC – Christmas meeting (cheque 101484)	£10.00
Playsafe Limited (cheque 101485)	£79.80
Bishop Burton News (cheque 101486)	£320.00
Bishop Burton Parochial Church (cheque 101487)	£485.00
Ralph Hansby (cheque 101488)	£350.00

Paid:

Clerk expenses re computer (cheque 101471)	£783.31
Yorkshire Water (cheque 101472)	£21.27
ERYC -re playground course (cheque 101473)	£75.00

It was **resolved** that the above be approved and paid. Proposed Cllr Ellerington, seconded Cllr Wray. Note: cheques 101486 to 101488 fall under section 137 as **resolved** in minute 11.1152.

The following has been received: Nil

11.1160 Correspondence

- a) Improving Urgent Care Services – East Riding NHS is consulting opinion on replacing six minor injury units with 2 or 3 Urgent Care Centres. **Resolved:** Clerk to put in mag encouraging residents to take part.
- b) Dependant carers allowance questionnaire – noted

11.1161 Any Other Business

- a) Christmas lights. It was unanimously **Resolved** that the council in accordance with its power under section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should purchase up to £100 of additional Christmas lights for the Mere which in the opinion of the council are in the interest of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit in a manner commensurate with the expenditure. Proposed Cllr Ellerington, Seconded Cllr Thomas. Cllrs Byass and Gray to obtain lights and put them up. **Resolved** Clerk to confirm with The Old School house that they were happy to provide the electric. Clerk to purchase gift as token of appreciation.
- b) Leaves – The grass contractor has enquired whether the Council wishes the leaves on the greens to be cleared. Cost estimated at £120 per day and time to be 1-2 days. **Resolved** not at the moment, to re-consider in the spring.
- c) Dog Kennel Lane - Cllr Gray commented that there had been another bad accident at the entrance to his property at Dog Kennel Lane and enquired as to whether the Parish Council would consider writing to ERYC on the matter of the accident blackspot to see if a slip road/central turning area could be created. Unanimously **resolved** Clerk to write to ERYC, to enquire if there are any plans afoot and suggest the matter is looked into.
- d) Snow Clearance. Cllr D.Oxtoby enquired as to whether the Parish Council wished to use his services should it snow over the winter. The other councillors unanimously **resolved** to use Cllr D.Oxtoby’s snow clearance services.

Date of next Parish Council Meeting 16th January 2017 7.30pm Bishop Burton Village Hall.

Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chairman