

BURRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Held on Monday 1st March 2021 by Zoom Conferencing due to Covid19

Attendees:

Mr. Paul Keel (Chair) (PK)	Mr. Craig Husher
Mr. Roger Daniels (Vice Chair) (RD)	Mr. Patrick Keating
Mrs. Helen Jackson (HJ)	
Mr. Richard Dors (RDors)	
Mr. Mark Northcott (MN)	
Mrs. Teresa Martin (Clerk) (TM)	

1. **Apologies for Absence** - there were none.
2. **Minutes** of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th January 2020 were approved by Councillors and were signed by the Clerk on behalf of the Chairman, who will endorse when lockdown restrictions are relaxed. The Minutes have been displayed on the Website and Notice Boards.
3. **Questions from the Public** - there were none.
4. **Matters Arising:**
 - 4.1 **New Local Plan 2035** - the NSC 'Call for Sites' request has given us the opportunity to promote possible sites within the Parish. More information will be gathered for the next meeting.
 - 4.2. **Potholes & Blocked Drains** - PK will be meeting with Geoff Richardson from NSC to look at problem areas on the A368 and also the parking situation on the entrance to Rickford village. PK undertook to keep an eye on Lower Langford Lane where NSC had agreed to make good damage caused by excess traffic during local road closure. PK will send details to PKeating.
 - 4.3 **Parish Website** - MN & RD will continue to set up the new system and costings are likely to be in line with original quotes.
 - 4.5 **Annual Newsletter** - PK has started the first draft of the Annual Newsletter which this year will be distributed by email and shown on the Website. Hand deliveries are not allowed due to Covid restrictions and the cost of a postal delivery service is prohibitive. MN & RD will provide an update on the new website; HJ will comment on the Churchill Mini Bus; RD will update on Bristol Airport and Blagdon Water Gardens and PKeating will provide matters of interest to Burrington.
5. **District Councillor's Report** - Patrick Keating will be meeting with Tim Mead of Yeo Valley to find out their plans for the Garden Centre site and he will update the PC in due course. The Local Plan process is moving on to Spatial Strategy stage, laying out where development might take place and this will be submitted for approval late April. The focus is on development in Weston-Super-Mare, Nailsea and the edge of Bristol near Long Ashton. Residents have been informed of the new payment required for garden waste collection which has been brought about by constraints on the NSC budget. The Rickford Chapel planning application has been approved but the situation re parking and usage will need to be monitored. PK asked that it be Minuted how much we appreciate the help of Patrick Keating on this matter.
6. **Burrington Combe Toilets** - facilities are still open and being well used. Repairs to faulty lights in the ladies toilets have been completed and also to the roof with gutters being cleared. Councillors acknowledged with thanks the work undertaken freely by Barry Dimond. There is very little income from safe post box being received and outgoings far exceed income. PKeating advised NSC has funding in place which we may be able to obtain and undertook to send through contact details.
7. **Police Report** - can be accessed online. PK will raise again the question of whether there are any police funds available to contribute towards the upkeep of the Burrington Combe public toilets.
8. **NSC Liaison Officer's Report** - NSC have confirmed that they will not be providing a Liaison Officer for the foreseeable future. The situation will be reviewed later in the summer.

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9. Correspondence:

- 9.1 **Rickford Stream Damage to Edge** - NSC have been advised that large trucks providing materials for building works within Rickford village have caused damage to the stream edge. Surveyors are due to visit shortly.
- 9.2 **Land Registry Survey** - PK has completed a return advising that the cost of registering land (i.e. The Pound) it is more expensive than the cost of the land and our limited annual Precept is already accounted for.
- 9.3 **NSC - Creating Sustainable Buildings Planning Consultation** - Councillors will discuss at next meeting.
- 9.4 **NSC - National Walking Month** - Noted. It was suggested that NSC should add the Public Rights of Way (PROW) improvement plan to their website.
- 9.5 **NSC Green Infrastructure Draft Strategy Consultation** - Noted.
- 9.6 **20's Plenty for Us - Zoom Meeting** - Noted
- 9.7 **PROW - Request for Contribution** - RD will remind them we have prioritised 5 pathways but unfortunately we have no money available to contribute.
- 9.8 **NSC Charge for Garden Waste Collection** - Noted.
- 9.10 **Mobile Library Parking Rickford** - the mobile library has encountered difficulties on a couple of occasions trying to park in their normal place by Mill House on the entrance to Rickford village due to cars and work vans parking there. They have advised that they may have to cancel stopping at this venue if the situation continues. This will affect a number of residents who regularly use the facility and also the local Rickford book club. PK will speak with the local PCSO to see what 'no parking' cones can be provided.

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New:

21/P/0144/FUH - Brook Cottage, The Batch - construction of wet room, erection of single storey rear extension and a window to first floor. NO COMMENTS

21/P/0415/LDE - Annexe, Withy Cottage, Saxon Street, Langford - Certificate of Lawfulness for use of the Annexe as an independent self-contained dwelling house - as this is a matter of law, the PC will not respond.

Update:

20/P/2980/FUH - Brook House, The Batch - erection of timber store, tool shed and log stool with associated hardstanding - application refused.

20/P/3177/FUH Valencia, Station Road, Langford - erection of single storey domestic outbuilding - Amended plans show that the height has dropped from 6.5 metres to 5.5 metres. The Clerk undertook to resend our comments advising that the revised plans do not overcome our objections.

20/P/2020/FUL - The Chapel, Rickford - change of use to Business use (Class B1) - APPLICATION APPROVED

20/P/2452/FUH: Oak Tree Barn, Frys Lane, Burrington - amendments to the original application have been made and approved without giving the Parish Council chance to respond. Our concerns over the application, and the process carried out, have been sent to NSC planning office and we are awaiting a response. It was noted that there appears to be little consistency between the different case officers.

Updates:

- **Bristol Airport Expansion - moving** on towards the public inquiry later this year
- **Blagdon Water Gardens** - nothing further at this stage.

Two Councillors have been informed of a possible planning contravention within the Parish. The situation will be monitored and reviewed at a later date.

11. **Burial Ground** - it had been agreed that the excessive mound on the Wade grave will be reduced by the Undertakers at the request of the family. The wording for the new headstone for this grave was approved.

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12. **Accounts for Payment** - payment of the accounts below proposed by RDors and seconded by HJ. It was noted that, whilst Covid restrictions remain, the safe post cash is collected by PK, paid into his bank account and transferred directly into the PC current account via online banking.

A copy of the draft Annual accounts, having been distributed to Councillors, were noted.

PK proposed that, should it be necessary, a transfer of £2,000 be made from the PC Deposit account to the current account where the current balance is £1,367. HJ seconded the proposal and all Councillors agreed this course of action.

13. **Any Other Business:**
Parish Room - C Husher confirmed that the Parish Room broadband is up and running.

14. **Date of Next Meeting** - Monday, 19th April 2021 at 7.30 pm. This will be the Annual Parish Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

ACCOUNTS

Receipts

Bank Interest - Business reserve A/c 5 Jan -5 Feb 2021 £0.05

Burrington Combe Public Conveniences

Safepost Box cash collection £41.00

Total Receipts £41.05

Payments

Southern Electric Supply to BC Toilets (DD) - Collected 30 Jan 21 £14.95
- Collected 27 Feb 21 £14.20

Alan Green - Village Orderly £100.00

Pete Marshall - village maintenance £280.00

C Husher -Cleaning of BC Toilets 1 Feb 21 – 28 Mar–8 weeks @£40 £320.00

Harwoods Electrical Services - Replacing faulty light BC Ladies toilets £68.40

Total Payments £797.55