

BURRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of Parish Council Meeting Held on 19th October 2020 by Zoom Conferencing due to Covid19

Attendees:

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

1. **Apologies for Absence** - Mr. Mark Hughes, PCSO Julie Berchall
2. **Minutes** of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14th September 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** - Patrick Keating advised that feedback from phase one was quite useful and has been well analysed. The second phase of the process will be published on 2nd November and will remain open until just before Christmas. There are six different options and the opportunity will be given for suggestions to be made.
 - 4.2. **Kissing Gate Modifications** - As a temporary measure it was agreed that the 'kissing gate' will be removed to allow prams and mobility scooters access. A long-term solution will be sought.
 - 4.3 **NSC Revision of Rights of Way Plan** - PK thanked RD for his work in submitting our request to NSC. Other interested parties such as the AONB will be consulted during the next stage.
 - 4.4 **Potholes & Blocked Drains** - one pothole has been repaired. NSC have advised they will sort the blocked drains issue in Burrington village.
 - 4.5 **Ash Die-back** - A local resident is happy to remove dangerous branches and has mentioned the problem to the AONB to seek their thoughts from a conservation perspective.
 - 4.6 **Auto Speed Watch / Traffic in Langford Road**
NSC responded they would have no major concerns using this equipment. However, Avon & Somerset Constabulary are not supporting it at this time. It appears that Avon & Somerset constabulary do not reply to emails and RD undertook to speak with our local PCSO to see if things can be moved forward. PK advised that he is on a police advisory panel at Weston Super Mare and at the next meeting he will raise the issue of increased speeding in Burrington Combe.
5. **District Councillor's Report** - there is pressure on Central Government and MPs to review the planning reforms. The level of housing being put on North Somerset is impossible to meet. The Recycling & Waste Disposal contract with Biffa will not be renewed. Other options are being considered including NSC setting up an in-house company. All vehicles are owned by the Council. Churchill Leisure Centre remains closed due to narrow corridors and not being able to comply with social distancing rules. Banwell bypass - a decision is to be made on who will undertake the work, and the impact of traffic must be emphasised. The level of Covid19 sufferers in North Somerset remains low compared to other areas within England but is rising, not only in the cities but villages too and we must continue to adhere to the rules laid down by Government.
6. **Burrington Combe Toilets** - Mendip Hills AONB would like to see the toilets open and all agreed that we should do so. Soap, water and sanitiser has been provided and a sign saying 'one person at a time' will be displayed. Payment to the Hushers will be increased to the full amount with effect from 1st November. The Clerk undertook to advise local businesses that we will be opening the facilities soon and asking that any financial support they can offer would be greatly appreciated.
7. **Police Report** - can be accessed online.

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8. **NSC Liaison Officer's Report** - Mark Hughes sent his apologies any queries to be referred to him.
9. **Correspondence:**
 - 9.1 **NSC Re-wilding** - noted. All agreed that wild flower seeds be purchased and planted within the burial ground.
 - 9.2 **A38 New Road & Bristol Road closures & Ashley Lane amendment to prohibition** - works now complete although some signs still remain. The Clerk has written to NSC regarding Says Lane and the 30-mile limit planning condition and is awaiting a response.
 - 9.3 **Have your say on Road Policing**- noted.
 - 9.4 **CPRE** request for a donation - it was felt that our annual membership fee was enough contribution.
 - 9.5 **PCAA AGM 22nd October** - RD hoped to attend
 - 9.6 **University Land** - no planning application yet received.
 - 9.7 **Dog Fouling** - All agreed that the 'stick & flick' system should be applied on the Ham, but not in the villages. HJ undertook to look out relevant signs to consider before displaying.
 - 9.8 **Remembrance Day** - noted.
10. **Planning Applications**

New:
20/P/1931/TRCA - Y Stabl - T! Silver Birch reduce the crown - Approved
5 late applications have been received and Councillors will review and send their comments to the Clerk and will be discussed at the next PC meeting in November.
The tree felling application for Clifton House will be left to the Tree Officer to decide.

Updates:

 - **Bristol Airport Expansion** - the appeal was lodged late September. PCAA are lining up legal support to take patron the public enquiry.
 - **Blagdon Water Gardens** - nothing further at this stage.
11. **Burial Ground** - A leaf blower has been purchased. Headstone inscription for Mrs. Shirley Hadley was agreed.
12. **Accounts for Payment** - payment of the accounts below proposed by HJ and seconded by RD.
13. **Any Other Business**
 - **Parish Website** - a new website will incur a one-off fee of £850 + VAT and there will be an ongoing annual server charge.
 - **Volunteers** - it was noted that individuals involved with the Duke of Edinburgh Awards scheme are finding it difficult to achieve their goals due to the Covid19 restrictions. After discussion, it was agreed that two young students in the Parish - Harry Jackson and Emily Hillman - would undertake volunteer work in the Parish and photographs of their work would be taken as evidence. Alan Green, the Village Orderly, is happy to oversee work such as trimming back in Rickford Lane, clearing the church path, litter clearance within the village, drain/culvert clearance, emptying bins in the burial ground. PK agreed to meet with the individuals and their parents to talk through what would be expected.
14. **Date of Next Meeting** - Monday, 30th November at 7.30 pm. Should Covid19 restrictions continue, it was agreed that this meeting will be held by Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.

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ACCOUNTS

Receipts

Bank Interest - Business Reserve a/c Sept 2020	£0.06
- Liquidity Account 7 July-7 Oct 2020	£4.50

Burrington Combe Public Conveniences

No Monies received, due to closure of facilities during Covid19, from Mendip Outdoor Ltd, Caving Services or Safepost Box

Total Receipts	£456
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Payments

Southern Electric Supply to BC Toilets (DD) - Collected 27 Sept 20	£13.44
JG & T Martin - Strim & Grass cut Burial Ground 1Oct20 @ £55.00	£55.00
C Husher -Cleaning of BC Toilets 28 Sept-30 Oct 5 weeks @£20 2-28 Nov - 4 weeks@ £40	£260.00
H. Jackson - purchase of leaf blower for Burial Ground	£246.50
GeoXphere Ltd - Parish online annual fee	£36.00
T Martin - Clerk's salary July-Sept 2020	£543.00
HMRC - Tax on Clerk's salary July-Oct 2020	£7.00

Total Payments	£1,160.94
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