

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BUNBURY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE PLAYING FIELDS PAVILION, BUNBURY ON 11 JANUARY 2017**

PRESENT: Councillor R Pulford Chairman
Councillor N Parker Vice Chairman
Councillors, M Ireland-Jones, P Brookfield,
L Potter, G McCormack, Christopher Greenwood

IN ATTENDANCE: Marilyn Houston, Clerk to the Parish Council
Members of the Public, CEC Cllr. Michael Jones

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PRESENTATION TO HONORARY ALDERMAN BRIAN DYKES – The Clerk reported that she had delivered the commemorative tankard with a card from the Parish Council. Brian sent his sincere thanks.

OPEN FORUM

A resident commented that the appeal against refusal of planning consent 16/2010N Land off Oak Gardens had implications for the Neighbourhood Plan and wondered what the response of the PC was. The Chairman referred to item 6.1. on the agenda. Another resident said that a hedge needed cutting and gave details of the location in the playing fields area of Wyche Lane. The Chairman undertook to speak to the landowner.

Cllr. Michael Jones joined the meeting and gave his view on the issues raised by the appeal. He believes the Bunbury Neighbourhood Plan is robust as it is positive on housing growth.

A resident asked for clarification on date new housing is counted from. The Chairman responded, the Neighbourhood Plan's definition of New Development, which is contained in the Plan glossary, refers to housing built during the plan period 2010 to 2030.

11.01.01 APOLOGIES

Cllr. G Griffiths, T Greco and M Thomas.

11.01.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION

Members were invited to declare any personal interest (non-pecuniary) or disclosable pecuniary interest which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

Cllr. M Ireland-Jones declared an interest in 6.2. G McCormack declared an interest in 6.3

11.01.03 MINUTES

(ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 9 NOVEMBER 2016)

RESOLVED: to note that the approved minutes of the meeting held on 9 November 2016 were incomplete :-

Signed cheques also included:-

£756.00 Audit fee BDO

£211.20 Clerk's expenses M Houston

£48.80 Engraved item for Honorary Alderman Dykes L Potter

£600.00 Removing turf for bonfire Tarpoley Landscapes

(ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 14 DECEMBER 2016)

RESOLVED: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 December 2016

11.01.04 LOCAL POLICING ISSUES

There were no Police representatives in attendance.

11.01.05 HIGHWAYS REVIEW

The Chairman reported that an article in the Link will ask for volunteers to train to operate the speed gun. The gun has been purchased. The Cheshire East Highways survey will be completed at the next PC meeting. A pothole by the Fox pub needs to be reported to Cheshire West and Chester.

11.01.06 PLANNING MATTERS**11.01.06.1 Appeal against refusal of planning consent**

(Ref.APP/R0660/W/16/3165643) 16/2010N Outline application for 15 dwellings

LAND OFF OAK GARDENS For response by 2 February

The Chairman referred to several points in the appeal statement which were inaccurate. The PC response needs to point these out. The reference to conjoined development is the same as co-location in the Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED: The Chairman to draft a detailed response with Andrew Thompson to be circulated to Members before sending to Cheshire East.

11.01.06.2 16/5637N Detailed application for 12 dwellings on land at Vicarage Lane Land adjacent to Bunbury Medical Practice, Vicarage Lane

RESOLVED: To follow precedent and hold an Extra Ordinary Meeting on 25 January to discuss this application.

11.01.06.3 Planning Applications received for comment

Variation of condition 3 (approved plans) of planning approval 14/3167N - Outline application for demolition of existing derelict house and outbuildings. Construction of two storey apartment block consisting of 4 apartments, 6 detached two storey houses & 4 affordable houses

THE GRANGE, WYCHE LANE, BUNBURY Comments by 14 January

The Chairman clarified that the PC had previously resolved not to object to the application and the variation proposed was not a material alteration.

RESOLVED: No objection

Cllr McCormack sat back from the table and took no part in the discussion or voting.

11.01.06.4 Proposal by Highways to introduce parking restrictions on School Lane and the Highlands - Update

Deferred to next meeting due to School Holidays.

11.01.06.5 Decisions made by Cheshire East Council

None to report.

11.01.06.6 Brantwood – Planning enforcement

No update

11.01.06.7 New Housing Developments – Bunbury

The Chairman had no new development to report. Cllr. Jones informed the meeting that developers are having pre-application discussions with Cheshire East about further development down Heath Farm Lane.

11.01.07 PLAYING FIELDS**11.01.07.1 Disposal of Old Playground Equipment**

Hough and Chorlton Parish Council had expressed an interest and have been contacted. If they are not interested Chalco will be asked to circulate the advert to all Parish Councils again.

11.01.07.2 The future development of the area.

Deferred

11.01.07.3 Bonfire Night Event 2017

The date of Sunday 5 November for next year's event was confirmed as the information has been received that there will not be a church service in Bunbury at the time of the event when the Chairman spoke to the Vicar.

RESOLVED: Lighttech fireworks to be booked.

There was a discussion about drones taking photos. Although some concern was raised about safety it was pointed out that no legal restrictions exist.

11.01.07.4 Report from Playing Fields Committee – Report from Cllr. Parker

- Update –A plumber has been contacted to fix a problem with the heating control. The next committee meeting will be on 18 January.
- Playing Fields Lease – being dealt with by Cllrs. Pulford and Parker who will report back to a future meeting.

11.01.08 REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE

- Repair and refurbishment of noticeboards on Village Hall.- Cllr. Pulford has arranged for the work to go ahead based on a written quote of £820 for the three bay PC boards. They will then need to be varnished.
- Replacement of bench at the Triangle and refurbishment of base – Awaiting delivery of the bench.

11.01.09 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT (COUNCILLOR M E JONES)

CEC Cllr. Jones shared his views on the following:-

- Impending court cases
- CEC Planning
- CEC budget and precept
- Market village in Handforth
- Impact of Brexit on devolution, planning and education budgets
- Child abuse issues
- Highways budget

11.01.10 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

- Cllr. Parker had been contacted by Harbrook Engineering who are sending an amended invoice for the bonfire container, having omitted to charge VAT. He reported on lessons learnt on arrangements for Christmas Eve carols around the tree event. The borrowed gazebo had been destroyed by the wind and a window pane was accidentally broken. The collection for Tarporley Hospital totaled £259.30. Over 200 people attended.

RESOLVED: to replace the borrowed gazebo at a cost of £84.90 and to pay for the window pane.

- Cllr Potter reported on a Royal British Legion event to honour Bill Corn.

11.01.11 CORRESPONDENCE

- A Health promotion pack produced by Cheshire East was passed to Members for circulation.

- Cheshire East Travel Survey – Members will look at individually and then it will be collated into one response.
- An enquiry about Broadband to be referred to Connecting Cheshire.

11.01.12 FINANCIAL MATTERS

11.01.12.1 Establishment of a Pension scheme to comply with statutory requirements by January 2017.

The Clerk reported that this was ongoing.

11.01.12.2 Clerk's 3rd quarter out of pocket expenditure for approval

Deferred to next meeting

11.01.12.3 To consider the request for a donation to support North West Air Ambulance Charity

RESOLVED: to make a donation of £100

11.01.12.4 Setting the budget and precept 2017/18

The Clerk had circulated a report setting out projected expenditure up to March 2017 and the estimated end of year balance. The budget was set. This enabled Members to consider the level at which to set the precept.

RESOLVED: to set the precept at £20,000 at the same level as the previous year.

11.01.12.5 Authorisation of Payments – Cheques to be signed

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:

- £562.26 Gross salary (December with adjustment of overpayment in November) - Marilyn Houston, Clerk
- £178.80 Plant hire for Christmas event – Ron Pulford
- £35.00 Training course – Chalc

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