Minutes

Burton & Winkton Parish Council

20 June 2022

Minutes of the Meeting of Burton Winkton Parish Council held this day at Burton Community Centre commencing at 7.30pm.

Present: John Stevens (Vice Chairman), Cllr David Flagg, Maxine Mussell, June Davis, Cheryl Pountain and Jodie Sloane.

Also present: T Mayled (Clerk), Cllr Simon McCormack and 2 members of the public.

Part 1 Open Items

22/067 Apologies for Absence.

Claire Wade is on leave of absence.

Alinda Howland, Tony Bragg and Bob Boyce sent their apologies.

22/068 To Confirm the Minutes of the Meeting Held on 10 May 2022.

The minutes were then taken as read, confirmed as a true record and to be signed by the Chairman. Proposed June Davis seconded by Maxine Mussell and unanimously agreed.

22/069 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests.

Maxine Mussell declared her business interest through Hut Wash.

Public Participation.

John Bedford advised that the scouts had received a request from the school to use the scouts hut and recreation ground for an event. The scouts are happy to help and the parish council confirmed they are more than happy to agree the request.

John Bedford also asked about the Community event application form that the parish council have introduced and which he is completing for the scouts carnival event. The councillors explained that this had recently been introduced to formalise any event taking place on the rec and in future would be publicised on the new website.

Cllr Flagg asked if the scouts would be prepared to reintroduce their cleaning of the stone compass on the village green. John Bedford will enquire but supported the request.

22/070 Chairman's Comments.

The chair advised that he had spoken with Sir George and it is possible that the field running up to Preston lane & Tinyard lane may be used to set up a solar farm. It is understood that probably only three properties would be able to see the site once hedging etc was in place. John Stevens will keep the parish council advised.

22/071 Planning Applications.

See separate schedule.

No objections or comments were raised.

22/072 Correspondence.

None.

22/073 Police report.

June Davis had prior to the meeting circulated the latest news.

Regrettably the police have advised that our local PCSO attending meetings is not the best use of her time and that local crime figures can be obtained from the police website.

June Davis thanked Anna Lillywhite for switching shifts to attend the recent maypole event on the green.

Van and theft from vehicles continues to be monitored by the police in the village.

The next Street corner meetings are;

Sandy plot 19th July 4pm,

Winkton 9th August 6pm,

Burton Green 6th September 6pm,

Burton One Stop 4th October 6pm.

Concerns were raised following the attendance of Inspector Deakin at a neighbouring parish council meeting and her comments regarding the police not responding to certain crimes. It was also reported that local officers are often dispatched to neighbouring areas.

The Clerk was instructed to invite Inspector Deakin to the next meeting to answer concerns regarding adequate police cover .Depending on the outcome contact with the police commissioner will be considered.

22/074 Ward Councillors report.

Cllr Flagg advised that most of the news from BCP Council is distributed direct at the same time that ward councillors are informed.. Cllr Flagg confirmed that the verge cutting is ongoing across the village. Cheryl Pountain asked when Winkton would be cut and if it is possible to have a works schedule. The Clerk will try to obtain a schedule of works generally across the parish.

Cllr McCormack again stressed the importance of registering requests for work to be carried out on the BCP Council website as multiply enquiries will raise the urgency of the matter.

22/075 To discuss website review.

Maxine Mussell advised that the new site should launch this week. Training has been booked and then the new dedicated email addresses should be available. A link to the Neighbourhood plan will also be introduced.

22/076 To receive reports from the Environment & Amenities working party.

Hard copy of report attached to minutes.

The bollards on the rec now have new reflectors and access to the site should be through the gates and the bollards should not be removed.

Clerk

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The annual play park inspection and report is due. The company used in previous years has quoted a fee of £350 plus VAT. Proposed by John Stevens, seconded by Cheryl Pountain and unanimously agreed to proceed. The Clerk to arrange.

Clerk

Maxine Mussell reported that 17 of the replacement trees in the rec have been planted this year and it was agreed that quotes for the further replacements are obtained pending planting in October.

AFC Burton has reported that the football association have agreed to provide them with a defibrillator. The Clerk was instructed to review if planning permission would be required and if agreement from the rec landowner would be required.

The Clerk reported that regrettably despite chasing quotes from BCP Council and the engineering company previously used these are still awaited regarding the new fingerpost. Contact is also still awaited regarding the repairs to one other post.

Cheryl Pountain raised concerns over the Clockhouse stream which at Winkton has dried up and dead fish have been discovered. Cllr McCormack agreed with the comments and continues to investigate the flow through the village. Enquiries will be made with the Environment Agency.

Jodie Sloane reported that her campaign to have road warning signs erected re care horse riding has been successful. Four signs have been authorised but initially two will be placed on Burley road. This is the first trial in Dorset.

22/077 To receive reports from the Burton Community Centre working party.

Hard copy of report attached to the minutes.

Necessary maintenance service of Trend BMS in plant room £500 net (see report) proposed by Jodie Sloane and seconded by Cllr Flagg agreed.

22/078 Approve Accounts for year ending 31/3/2022.

Accounts have been audited by Do the Numbers limited and the figures transferred to the audit return document.

The Chair asked for full sets of the accounts to be circulated.

The Clerk advised that the internal audit report would be circulated and discussed at the next meeting.

22/079 Approve section 1 & 2 of the Annual Accounts return.

Documentation was distributed prior to the meeting by the Clerk and has been signed off by the internal auditor.

A/ Section 1.

B/Section 2.

Completed and approved.

Proposed by Cllr Flagg, seconded by Maxine Mussell and unanimously agreed to sign off the return to the external auditors.

22/080 Investment strategy for year to 31/03/2023.

Clerk

The Clerk advised that the banking is held with NatWest.

The accounts are run free of charge by the bank.

The auditor has advised a reduction in the number of accounts held to simplify the records. The Clerk will action.

22/081 DAPTC subscription 2022/23.

After a short discussion agreed to renew the subscription which this year is £995, (£946 last year) proposed by Maxine Mussell and seconded by John Stevens. Unanimously agreed.

22/082 To discuss the traffic & Highways report.

Cheryl Pountain advised that the issues previously reported continue regarding the new silage site. Cllr Flagg has reported the problems several times and BCP officers have attended but not taken any action. Cheryl Pountain will continue to monitor and supply photographs to support the complaints.

22/083 Neighbourhood Plan briefing.

John Stevens will issue the AECOM report and requested feedback from the other councillors.

22/084 Financial Statement as at 20 June 2022 as attached.

Resolved to ratify payment of above accounts.

Proposed by June Davis seconded by Jodie Sloane. Unanimously agreed.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm.

Date of Next Meeting Monday 18th July at Burton Community Centre, Sandy Plot at 7.30pm.