

BUCKMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 11 July 2017

Present:

Councillor Liz Exton Chairman
Councillor Jill Arnold
Councillor Graham Exton
Councillor Kate Bygott
Councillor Enid Woodcock

Councillor Malise Graham Melton Borough Council

MINUTES

- 01/17-18 **Apologies for non-attendance** - All council members were present.
- 02/17-18 **Apologies for absence** - County Councillor Rhodes and Police representative.
- 03/17-18 **Approve Minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2017** - The minutes were approved without amendment.
- 04/17-18 **To receive declarations of interest both personal and prejudicial on matters arising on the agenda** – No declarations were made.
- 05/17-18 **Public Participation** - members of the public did not attend.
- 06/17-18 **To receive reports** – County Councillor Rhodes and the police representative were absent. Borough Councillor Graham had nothing to report.

The new clerk was welcomed to his first meeting. The clerk referred to his previous appointment between 2008 and 2010 and was looking forward to supporting the Parish Council in his new appointment. He had nothing further to report.

The chairman referred to the recent accident on the A1 that had resulted in a significant diversion of traffic on Timber Hill. Measures to consider weight limit and speed restrictions might need to be considered. Problems with untaxed cars in Sewstern had been identified and would be reported to the police and the DVLA.

The chairman reported that she was waiting for the necessary papers before advertising for a candidate to fill the vacancy on the Parish Council following the retirement of Councillor Rose Clark.

07/17-18 **Update on highway matters in Sewstern** - The chairman reported that Western Power had advised its intention to reroute the supply of electricity in Sewstern; 3 poles situated on land owned by the Buckminster Estate would be affected. Street lights had been attached to the poles and consequently these would be removed; the Estate had asked that the poles be removed from its land when the power supply was rerouted.

Western Power had offered to restore power at no cost to any replacement poles and lighting should the Parish Council wish to consider that option. The installation of the poles and lighting would be at the Parish Council's expense. Western Power had provided 6 months' notice of their intentions and had given similar notice to BT who also made use of the poles.

The chairman advised that the cost of providing a replacement pole and lighting would be in the region of £500 to £600. The locations for repositioning poles were limited. Discussion on the options suggested that lighting at the Main Street/Timber Hill junction was already provided by the illuminated Halt sign and could be enhanced by relocating an existing pole on Main Street part way to the junction.

Action 170701 It was agreed that the chairman would circulate a letter to residents in Sewstern who were likely to be affected by the Western Power decision informing them of the work to be undertaken and the proposal to relocate an existing pole to compensate. Residents would be asked to respond by 31 July with any comments.

(Post meeting note: It was decided that in retrospect it would be prudent to involve all village residents and a notice was circulated accordingly)

Update on highway matters in Buckminster – Councillor Arnold reported that some street signs had been removed. There were also issues with ensuring that the road markings near the Buckminster Store permitted access and prevented cars parking inappropriately.

Action 170702 Councillor Arnold would provide details to the clerk of the signage that had been removed so that Councillor Graham could be formally notified. Councillor G Exton would provide the clerk with similar details for signage in Sewstern

Action 170703 The clerk would confirm the details required for the road markings with Councillor Arnold before writing to Councillor Rhodes

08/17-18 **Planning Matters**

Planning Application 17/00492/FUL Land Adjacent 37 Main Street – the application had been approved and the details were available on the Borough Council website

Leicestershire County Council Planning Application ID: 2017/CM/0150/LCCA
A.R.Birch & Son - Extension of existing compost site pad into existing agricultural field - compost site, Buckminster road, Sproxton, Melton Mowbray

– the proposal would provide additional space to enable vehicle movement but there was an assurance that there would be no increase in the number of vehicles.

Applications awaiting enforcement – 12 Timber Hill – awaiting update from planning

09/17-18 **Invoices for approval** – None

10/17-18 **To approve and sign the bank reconciliation for the current period**

The Community current account stood at £3811.86

The savings account stood at £1152.50

The total balance stood at £4964.36

The bank reconciliation was approved and signed

11/17-18 **Correspondence received and action taken** – none

12/17-18 **Future meetings** – the clerk had reviewed the dates for previous meetings and proposed that future meetings should be held on the following dates:

12 September 2017

21 November 2017

27 February 2018

15 May 2018

The dates were endorsed

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Chairman