

Minutes of the Burrowbridge Parish Council meeting held on 12th May, 2015 in the Coronation Hall, Burrowbridge.

- 025 Welcome:**B.Tyler(Chair),R.Quinton,C.Loughlin,V.Orton, D.Graham,D.Fothergill,D.Cossey,M.Payton(Clerk)
Two members of the public were also in attendance.
- 026 Apologies:**P.Stone,D.Tilley,S.Kirk.
- 027 Co-option of two Parish Councillors: (Members of the public left the room.** C.Loughlin gave a brief outline of his career. B.Tyler proposed and R.Quinton seconded and everybody was in agreement that he should be co-opted. D.Graham proposed and R.Quinton seconded that V.Orton be co-opted again. All the Councillors were given the 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office forms to complete and the Register of Members' Interest forms. It was noted, of course, that two Councillors were absent. Therefore, the necessary forms will need to be completed at the meeting on the 9th June.
- 028 Election of Chair person:** The Clerk asked for nominations for Chairman. R.Quinton proposed B.Tyler and C.Loughlin seconded and all were in agreement. B.Tyler accepted for another year
- 029 Election of other officers:** D.Graham proposed and R.Quinton seconded that S.Kirk continue as **Vice Chair**.
B.Tyler proposed and R.Quinton seconded that D.Graham continue as **Financial Officer**
B.Tyler/D.Tilley and C.Loughlin offered to form the **Planning Committee**. V.Orton proposed and D.Graham that this goes ahead.
D.Graham proposed and B.Tyler seconded that V.Orton would attend the **SALC meetings** whenever possible.
- 030 Public Question & Answer session:** There were none.
- 031 Minutes of the April meeting** were signed once the 'Action' points checked.
- 032 Matters arising from the Minutes:**
a.Security Cameras Curry Moor Pumping Station. B.Tyler had spoken to the EA and had been assured that the cameras were not pointing directly at the track or houses opposite and that the residents who had been reprimanded for walking along in front of the Pumping Station had received letters of apology. A Bristol based security firm are operating the system.
b.A notification had been received of two meetings at TDBC to explain the Infrastructure Levy to Parish Councils. D.Graham offered to go.
c.Speeding Stanmoor Road. The Clerk reported that this was now in the hands of the Speed Enforcement section.
- 033 Flood Matters:**
a.It was stated that there was no further progress and the next meeting was to be held on 27th May.
- 034 Planning:**
a.51/15/0001 Erection of a two-storey rear extension at Peppers, Stathe Road, Stathe.After a discussion, all were in agreement to 'Support' this application on the grounds that there was no reason not to.
b.51/150002/LB Installation of metal panels to handrails for flood

defences on Burrowbridge bridge. **The meeting closed to allow P. Kerr to state his views and was re-opened again.** A discussion followed and all were in agreement that an ‘objection’ comment be given for the reasons that it is a listed structure/visual intrusion/loss of sight line/pedestrian safety compromised and that flooding is not a common occurrence.

c.51/15/0003 Conversion of former primary school to form 2 dwellings at Primary school, School Lane. After a discussion all agreed to ‘Support’ this application as it was good use of buildings with a proviso that attention be paid to the exit onto the A361 and if possible instigate a ‘no left turn policy’.

d.Continued and renewed activity in the field next to Lilac cottage, Stathe Road. The TDBC Councillor, Duncan Cossey was asked to follow this up as the matter had been going on for over 8 years.

**Action:
D.Cossey**

035 Finance:

a.The Insurance Renewal from Came & Co. was due. B.Tyler proposed and R.Quinton seconded that the fee of £265.00p be paid.

b.The SALC membership renewal was due. D.Graham proposed and B.Tyler seconded that the £119.85 be paid.

c.An invoice from the Somerset Accountancy Services had been received for £66.00p for operating the PAYE system. C.Loughlin proposed and B.Tyler seconded that this be paid.

d.The Clerk had paid for the flowers for P.Hawks on retirement. R.Quinton proposed and B.Tyler seconded that the £30.00 be reimbursed.

e.Two invoices had been received from Somerset Day. i.The Mummings had requested that the £75.00p originally quoted be donated to The American Fund for Charities. D.Graham proposed and C.Loughlin seconded that this go ahead.ii.An invoice for £104.00p had been received from Coronation Hall for the free refreshments for the Mummings and Strummers. V.Orton proposed and B.Tyler seconded that this be paid.

David Fothergill thanked Burrowbridge for putting on this event and stated that it appeared to have been very successful.

f.D.Graham proposed and V.Orton seconded that a cheque be made out for £125.00p in order that B.Tyler could collect the present of a wooden hare for P.Hawks

g.The Coronation Hall Secretary had informed that their insurance renewal was now due. When setting the precept, Councillors had agreed to donate £750.00p per annum towards the total. R.Quinton proposed and B.Tyler seconded that this be paid.

h.The Clerk stated that the precept for 2015/16 had been received which made a total of:Community Council £5293.62/Active Saver £4664.42.

i.It was proposed by RQ and seconded by BT that £3500.00p be transferred from the Community Account to the Active Saver.

j.The Clerk reported that the end of year figures had been approved by the Internal Auditor, Tony McKenzie. The Accounting Statements and the Annual Governance Statements were duly approved. B.Tyler proposed that the relevant documents and cash book be signed and D.

- Graham seconded this.
- k.The Clerk gave the new mandate form to D.Graham for completion. **Action DG**
- 036 Highways:**
a.All noted that the temporary road closure of Huntworth Lane for flood defence has been postponed until 24th May and it will be a full closure for 10 weeks.
- 037 Footpaths:**
There was nothing to report.
- 038 SALC:**
There was nothing to report
- 039 Community Council for Somerset:**
The Thatch e-magazine had been received and circulated.
- 040 Neighbourhood Watch/Police Matters:**
There was nothing to report.
- 041 National Trust/Burrow Mump.** D.Graham offered.
- 042 Parish Council website:**
D.Graham stated that it was proceeding slowly.
- 043 Super Fast Broadband:**
D.Graham had spoken to Nick Sloane of Stoke St. Gregory who is in negotiation with BT. He felt that Burrowbridge should write a letter of support.
- 044 Annual Parish Meeting:**
All had received the information that Ravi Singh was unwell and could not attend. D.Tilley was hoping that Natural England and/or RSPB would be able to help out with short talks.
- 045 Correspondence:** There was none.
- 046 Matters to be reported:**
Chairman/new Councillor/responsibilities/planning/road closures/P.Hawks retiring/APM.
- 047 Items of Information of Council only:** Thank you letter to G.Slattery.
- 048 Date & time of next meeting:**APM 19th May/9th June at 7.30pm.
- 049 Close of meeting:** 9.20pm.

Signed.....Date.....
Chair