

Draft minutes subject to approval

Burrator Parish Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 28th January 2016 at Walkhampton Memorial Hall, Walkhampton

Councillors present: Cllrs Moorhead, Hopson, Trueman, Fisk, Aves, Ellis, Lynn, Powell, Cole & Legassick.

Councillors absent: Cllrs Scrivener & Palmer.

Also Present: Mr Glanville, Mr Landick & Mr Paskins (for Items 3 & 13), Cllr D Moyse & Cllr D Cloke (Borough Cllrs) & other members of the public (for Item 13).

Cllr Hopson welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited Mr Paskins to address the Parish Council with his proposal regarding the Walkhampton Inn. Mr Paskins summarised his proposal, which had been circulated to the Cllrs before the meeting, which was to apply to list the Walkhampton Inn as an Asset of Community Value. Mr Paskins advised that the aim of such an application would be to add protection to any change of use application (in addition to the Inn being within a Conservation Area and a national Park), encourage the owners and management company to review their terms and conditions to attract a new leaseholder and provide the community with a moratorium of 6 months to consider purchasing the freehold such it be placed on the open market. The proposal was supported by a petition of 217 signatures to date from the local community. Cllr Hopson advised that the Parish Council is not in a position to purchase the freehold title should it be placed on the open market.

Councillors asked some questions of Mr Paskins' proposal to clarify points such as change of use, viability, parking and community support of a new tenant. Cllr Hopson thanked Mr Paskins for his proposal and advised that the Parish Council would discuss this within the meeting under Item 13 on the agenda (to be bought forward).

Cllr Hopson opened the meeting at 8pm.

- 1. Apologies**
Cllrs Scrivener & Palmer.
- 2. Declarations of Interest.**
None. Otherwise as recorded in the Register.

At this point, Cllr Hopson advised that Item 13 would be dealt with for the convenience of the public present at the meeting.

- 13. Walkhampton Inn.**
Cllr Hopson invited views of the Councillors, Cllr Aves spoke first objecting to the proposal for reasons of non-viability and availability of other Inns in the Parish. Cllr Trueman disagreed and encouraged the Parish Councillors to support the proposal and lead the application as is the request of the local residents. Other Cllrs agreed and strongly agreed that the Parish Council

should make the application to list the Walkhampton Inn as an Asset of Community Value however Cllrs agreed and made it clear that the Parish Council would not wish to, nor, is in the financial position to purchase the freehold title should the Inn be placed on the market. Proposed Cllr Cole Seconded Cllr Legassick and agreed with one vote against.

3. Co-Option of New Councillors.

Cllr Hopson welcomed Mr Glanville, Mr Landick and Mr Paskins to the meeting and invited them to make a short introduction of themselves to the Cllrs. Once introduced the three applicants left the room for the discussion and vote to take place. Cllrs discussed and agreed that all three applicants should be co-opted as follows:

Mr Landick & Mr Paskins to the Walkhampton Ward

Mr Glanville to the Walkhampton – Dousland Ward.

Proposed Cllr Cole Seconded Cllr Moorhead and agreed by all.

Cllr Moorhead welcomed the gentleman back into the meeting room where Cllr Hopson advised them of their successful co-option and welcomed them to join in the meeting although unable to vote on any matter until the Register of Interests forms were registered with WDBC.

4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th November 2015.

The Minutes were signed as an accurate record. Proposed Cllr Cole Seconded Cllr Moorhead.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes.

Cllr Legassick confirmed that she had photographed the boundary stones and gave copies to the Clerk. Cllrs discussed the possible replacement and suggested wording. The Clerk was asked to obtain a price for replacement signs in similar size and design with “Welcome to Burrator Parish Twinned with Mathieu, Normandy and to include the Parish Logo if possible. It was agreed that once an estimate was obtained, the Parish Council would consult the Twinning Association, Highways and DNPA to finalise the exact wording.

Cllrs advised that the culvert at Ringmoor is still blocked and the Clerk advised of Highways last email which disputed any issues. The Clerk advised she would forward the email to Corinna so that she may reply with a photo or two of the blockage.

Cllr Ellis advised that he has written an article for the Burrator Beacon regarding the Dousland Telephone Kiosk and the Clerk was asked to circulate the article to all Cllrs for information.

Cllr Hopson confirmed that the re-painting of the Sheepstor Notice Board was in hand.

6. Planning Committee.

a) Minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2016

Cllr Moorhead summarised the meeting and the minutes were noted.

b) 0016/15 Proposed demolition of existing log store and replacement with external steps and new log store at Hoo Meavy House, Hoo Meavy.

Cllrs Moorhead and Ellis summarised the application and proposed that the Parish Council support it. This was agreed.

0017/16 Proposed erection of machinery and hay store at Welltown Farm, Walkhampton

Cllrs Cole and Ellis summarised the application and proposed that the Parish Council support it. This was agreed.

7. **Finance & General Purposes Committee.**
 - a) **Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th January 2016.** Cllr Moorhead summarised the meeting and the minutes were noted.
 - b) **Bills for payment.** It was proposed to pay the bills of £3528.91. **Proposed Cllr Moorhead Seconded Cllr Cole.**
 - c) **Financial Statements.** These were noted.

8. **The Royal Oak Inn Committee.**
 - a) **Minutes of the meeting held on 14th January 2016.**

Cllr Cole summarised the meeting and the minutes were noted. It was clarified that a site meeting would take place between the Surveyor and the Conservation Officer for DNPA shortly and that Cllr Cole and the Clerk would also attend this.

9. **Burrator Twinning Association.**

No report.

10. **Burrator Beacon.**

The Clerk advised that the deadline for reports was Tuesday 2nd February and requested the new Cllrs to provide a short introduction of themselves as Parish Councillors to the Editor. Distribution was discussed as the Merrivale Road and others had not been delivered last time.

11. **Reports from Outside Bodies.**
 - a) **Borough Councillors Report**

Cllr Moyse and Cloke gave a short report each. Cllrs discussed waste collections, fly tipping and Yennadon Quarry.

Other reports:

Cllr Aves had provided a summary of the last Southern Links Committee Meeting and Cllr Scrivener had provided a summary of a Commoners Meeting that he had attended regarding event management.

Cllr Cole advised that the “Snow Tourist” issues had been a topic for Princetown Parish Council recently and the Clerk was asked to enquire of their discussions and any proposals to prevent similar behaviours in the future.

It was noted that ribbons and arrows had been placed at Burrator Reservoir for a Marathon event which had not been brought to the Parish Council’s attention. The Clerk was asked to enquire with DNPA of any permission sought for this event.

12. **Public Relations.**

Cllr Hopson advised that this item would be deferred to the next meeting as Cllr Scriveners input would be required.

14. **Highways**

Cllrs commented on the many potholes on roads around the Parish and the inadequate temporary repairs. In particular the Clerk was asked to report deep potholes on the road to Merchants Bridge from Meavy as the holes are very deep but full of water which would cause a cyclist to come off at any time.

Also many drains blocked around the Parish were discussed. The Clerk was asked in particular to report sewerage overflowing from the drain at the cut through land at Woodmans Corner to SWW and the EA.

15. Correspondence.

It was noted that all correspondence had been dealt with under other Agenda items.

16. Urgent additional business, by leave of the Chair.

None

The Meeting was closed at 9.28 pm.

Signed

Date