

Draft minutes subject to approval

# **Burrator Parish Council**

## **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 28th November 2019 at Walkhampton Memorial Hall**

**Councillors present:** Cllrs Paskins, Scrivener, Wills, Hopson, Ayres, Glanville, Stribley, Gregory, Balkwill & Brunsdon.

**Also present:** Mr N Reeves, SWLT.

**Absent:** Cllr Palmer.

Cllr Paskins invited Mr Reeves to address the Councillors. Mr Reeves gave a verbal update on the ongoing management of South West Lakes Trust including current projects, visitor numbers and the five year management plan. Cllrs raised questions on visitor numbers, the non-native species management and whether there are many requests for use of the water for water sports. Mr Reeves clarified the questions and confirmed that any requests for water sports are declined.

The Chairman, Cllr Paskins opened the meeting at 7.45pm.

- 1. Apologies.**  
None.
- 2. Declarations of Interest.**  
There were no declarations of interest. Otherwise as recorded in the register.
- 3. Minutes of the meeting held on 31st October 2019.**  
It was noted to amend Item 1 to read nominations for Vice Chairman. With that amendment the minutes were signed as an accurate record by Cllr Paskins.
- 4. Matters arising from the minutes of 31st October 2019.**  
Item 5 Cllrs discussed the ongoing concerns of parking at Meavy School during drop off and collection times. It was agreed that the response letter from the School Governors was not satisfactory or accepted. Cllr Stribley advised of more complaints from local residents and read out a summary of issues. Cllrs agreed that this needs to be pursued firstly with some photographic evidence, a resident's petition if necessary, contact with the school liaison police officer and to repeat our request firmly to the governors - that a meeting is required.
- 5. Planning Committee.**
  - a) 0498/19 Proposed change of use of stable building and of store building to form 2 no holiday lets with associated works at Huckworthy Mill, Sampford Spiney. Cllr Gregory advised of her site visit along with Cllr Balkwill and summarised the proposals to the Cllrs. Cllrs enquired of any bat or swallow inhabitanacy and this was confirmed to be part of the application in the form of surveys. Cllr Gregory proposed that the Parish Council support the application, this was seconded by Cllr Balkwill and agreed by all.

- 6. Finance and General Purposes Committee.**

  - a) Bills for payment.** The bills were authorised. Proposed Cllr Glanville seconded Cllr Wills.
  - b) Financial Statements.** The statement was noted.
  - c) Parish Precept 2020/2021.** Cllr Glanville summarised the Finance Meeting held before this meeting and proposed that the Parish Council set a Precept of £5000 for 2020/2021. This was seconded by Cllr Scrivener and agreed by all.
  
- 7. The Royal Oak Inn Committee.**

Cllr Wills gave a brief report on the replacement of the kitchen flooring earlier in the week. Cllrs noted that the flooring to the lounge had been replaced by the tenant, although in a hard floor and not carpet as was expected. Discussion took place on whether this was really in keeping with the traditional character of the Inn and the Clerk was asked to clarify with the tenant that any further proposed changes be discussed with the Committee in the first instance.
  
- 8. Burrator Events.**

None.
  
- 9. Parish Plan Steering Group.**

Cllr Paskins opened discussion on the next phase of the Parish Plan. Cllrs agreed that now verbal feedback had been given on the questionnaire and results phase that a draft final Plan should be in the making. The Clerk was asked to email the Chair of the Steering Group and request when the data will be compiled and prepared by the Burrator Steering Group as a draft Parish Plan for Burrator.
  
- 10. Burrator Beacon.**

The Clerk advised that she would be collecting the Winter edition on Monday next.
  
- 11. Reports from outside bodies.**

  - a) Borough Councillors Report. None.
  - b) Any other reports. Cllr Hopson gave feedback on his attendance at the recent DNPA Forum, in particular the discussion held on the Julian Glover review of National Parks. This was discussed and agreed to place an agenda item for January's meeting to give Cllrs time to read the review and prepare comments for submission. Cllr Hopson also gave feedback on the recent Burrator Advisory Group meeting.
  
- 12. Public Relations.**

No reports.
  
- 13. Parish Property.**

  - a) Defibrillators. It was noted that Meavy and Burrator Toilet equipment remained in place.
  - b) The Clerk advised that the estimate from Mr Gibbings had been accepted and the works were awaited. Cllr Paskins advised that he is chasing this up.
  - c) Walkhampton Green. Cllrs briefly discussed the green and the potential sign that had come to possession. It was agreed that the sign was not needed to be erected.

It was agreed that Meavy and Sheepstor notice boards required repair and that Cllr Wills would ask a local carpenter to take a look.

**14. Highway Matters.**

It was noted that some improvements have been carried out in Meavy village.

**15. Correspondence.**

None.

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

None.

The Meeting was closed at 9.25pm.

Signed

Date