

Draft minutes subject to approval

Burrator Parish Council

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Thursday 29th July 2021. At Walkhampton Parish Council

Councillors present: Cllrs Paskins (Chair), Scrivener, Stribley, Wills, Glanville F, Glanville R, Balkwill, Ayres, Milne, and Brunsdon.

Also present: Katharine Griffiths (Parish Clerk) and three members of the public.

Absent: Cllr G Palmer and S Hopson.

Cllr Paskins opened the meeting at 7.30pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr R Hopson.

2. Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest. Otherwise as recorded in the register.

3. Co-option of new members.

Two people have submitted application forms for co-option to the council. The forms have been circulated to members for information.

Both were present at the meeting and were invited to speak. They both spoke and gave a brief introduction about themselves. The chair asked them to leave the room whilst the applications were discussed. It was agreed that they would both be co-opted onto the Parish Council.

The chair welcomed Cllrs H France and R Radmore, the clerk will liaise with them both with regard to the relevant paperwork required.

4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th June 2021.

It was noted that there were a couple of amendments, item 13, change to Walkhampton, spelling mistake of poll to pole, and Church View not Lane.

With the amendments were the minutes were agreed.

5. Matters arising from the Minutes 24th June 2021.

Item 8, the Burrator Inn have volunteered to store the Burrator Beacon for collection prior to delivery. There has been one further offer for assisting in delivery. It was noted that a number of Cllrs are willing to delivery wherever there is a need.

Cllr F Glanville gave an update with regard to the sale of the garages at Church View, it is understood that they will sold to people outside of the area. Concern has been raised that they could be used as storage for building materials as well as other uses, which could significantly increase the vehicle movements in an area that is already very busy. The Clerk will write to LiveWest that own the garages and DNPA to see if there are any restrictions on their usage.

6. Planning applications to consider:

0384/21 The Cottage, Sampford Spiney Proposal: Extension to south elevation.

Cllrs R Glanville and F Glanville have looked at the application and do not have any concerns with regard to the proposal. It is currently a U-shape and the extension will fill in the gap. It was proposed by Cllr F Glanville that the application be supported this was seconded by Cllr Stribley and agreed by the committee.

0388/21 Land at Goodameavy Proposal: Extension to agricultural shed

It was felt that there was insufficient information to make a decision.

The chair was passed to Cllr R Glanville .

7. Finance & General Purposes Committee

a) Bills for Payment

It was proposed by Cllr R Glanville, seconded by Cllr Brunsdon and agreed by the Council that the payments would be made.

b) Bank Reconciliation

The bank reconciliation was noted.

c) Grant request

A grant request has been received by St Marys Church at Walkhampton towards their ground's maintenance costs in 2020. The matter was discussed, and it was noted that a request from Sheepstor had been received in the last financial year but due to councils depleted funds the application was withdrawn.

It was proposed by Cllr Wills that the grant to St Marys Church be paid and that Meavy & Sheepstor Churches be contacted in order to ascertain if they had similar funding shortfalls for grounds maintenance., this was seconded by Cllr Brunsdon and agreed by the council.

The chair was passed back to Cllr Paskins.

8. The Royal Oak Inn Committee

Cllr Wills commented that that the rent is now up to date and that the missing pub sign has not been replaced yet.

The area around the window has not been painted yet. Cllr Balkwill offered to paint around the window Cllr Wills offered his assistance.

9. Burrator Events

No current events.

10. Burrator Beacon

The next issue will be a hard copy. As indicated in Item 5, the Burrator Inn have volunteered to store the Burrator Beacon for collection prior to delivery. There has been one further offer for assisting in delivery. It was noted that a number of Cllrs are willing to delivery wherever is needed.

11. Reports from outside bodies

There were no DCC or WDBC Cllrs present.

12. To resolve that the Parish Council formally adopts the findings of the Community Led Plans for Burrator.

Cllr Scrivener gave a brief update and a summary of the meeting held remotely on the 22nd July 2021. A discussion was held around the information that had

originally been circulated in February and again today. Cllr Brunsdon commented that there were some recommendations which the Council would find difficult to support and proposed that the Plans be considered further in a dedicated meeting before being agreed by the council.

It was noted that some of the requests are aspirational and difficult to achieve and also that some points have already been completed.

It was proposed by Cllr Scrivener that the council **resolve to formally note the findings of the Community Led Plans for Burrator** this was seconded by Cllr Stribley and agreed by the council.

It was suggested by Cllr Scrivener that the Parish Plan becomes a standing item on the agenda.

13. Public Relations

There are currently many roadworks being undertaken within the parish involving road closures. The council are being advised of some, but not all the closures. What we are aware of is being put on the Facebook page.

14. Parish Property

a. Defibrillator Maintenance

The defibrillators are all fine.

b. Noticeboards

The three new noticeboards have been ordered. The artwork has still not been received and the clerk is chasing. It is becoming increasingly frustrating.

The Clerk will continue to contact the company request an update and advise that if sufficient progress is not made a full refund will be requested.

c. Update on Wildflower Areas

Cllr Brunsdon and Cllr Stribley met with the ground maintenance contractor to discuss the different areas. A proposal to wildflower a selection of sites has been compiled by Cllr Brunsdon and circulated.

Depending on the area, different techniques and planting schemes are required. An article will be put in the Burrator Beacon and possibly Moorlinks requesting comments and asking for volunteers. This was proposed by Cllr Brunsdon and seconded by Cllr Stribley.

It was commented that it would be good for the schools to get involved, the clerk will contact them initially.

15. Highway matters

The clerk commented that there is a cycle race coming through the parish that may cause congestion. The Tour de Britain on the 6th September from Sherford to Exeter. Further information and the route can be found at:

<https://www.devontourofbritain.co.uk/route/>

16. Correspondence

Nothing Further.

17. Pursuant to Section 1(2) Public Bodies [Admission to Meetings] Act 1960, to resolve to exclude the public and press due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Agreed.

18. To discuss a complaint received by the tenant of the Royal Oak Inn.

The matter of the complaint was discussed. The clerk will write to the tenant confirming that the complaint was not from a councillor.

Issues concerning outstanding invoices relating to the alarm systems were also discussed and it was agreed that as per the lease it was a matter for the tenant to address. It was also noted that additional complaints of noise and odour from the ROI have been received by the council.

19. To resolve re-admittance of public and press to the meeting.

Agreed.

20. Urgent additional business, by leave of The Chair

There were two items raised concerning planning permission for the Walkhampton Inn and why they are having issues considering what has happened at other local establishments.

The issue of the reinstatement of the railings around the war memorial at Meavy Green was discussed, the person that has them will be contacted and asked to reinstate them.

The Meeting was closed at 21.22 pm.

Signed

Date