

Burrator Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council

held on Thursday 30th November 2023

At Walkhampton Memorial Hall

Councillors present: Cllrs Paskins, F Glanville, Palmer, Wills, Scrivener, Milne, Stribley and R Glanville

Also present: Katharine Griffiths (Parish Clerk), 2 members of the public.

Absent: Cllrs Radmore and France,

Before the meeting started proper a member of the public spoke with regard to the Royal Oak Inn, all present were reminded that matters pertaining to the Royal Oak Inn were being dealt with under a confidential section due to the confidential nature of the business. An update was provided to the members of the public, on the matter. The meeting was opened by the chair Cllr F Glanville at 7.45pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Radmore and France. The resignation of Cllr Mark Brunson were accepted, the council would like to offer their thanks to Mark for his efforts whilst a councillor.

2. Declarations of Interest.

None to declare.

3. Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting held on 26th October 2023

It was proposed by Cllr Palmer that the minutes were agreed as an accurate record, with one minor amendment and signed, this was seconded by Cllr Milne and agreed by the members present.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes 26th October 2023

It was raised that the Parish Plan should be sent to the DNPA for information. The clerk will action this.

5. Planning Committee

No planning matters to consider.

6. Finance & General Purposes Committee

a. Bills for Payment

It was proposed by Cllr R Glanville, seconded by Cllr Milne and **agreed** by the council that the circulated list of bills would be paid.

Payments to be made:

Payment	Amount
AWL – Alarm monitoring ROI	£111.40
Beacon Editor	£250.00
Printing of Beacons	£475
Vickery Holman - Dilapidations	£1680
Walkhampton Hall hire	£27

Meavy Hall Hire	£56
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b. Bank reconciliation

The bank reconciliation was noted.

c. To consider a recommendation of a precept request of £20,000, the request needs to be submitted to WDBC before the end of January 2024.

The precept was discussed, the matter will be taken to the Finance committee in the January meeting.

7. Burrator Events

It was agreed to write to Highways and SWLT will be contacted with regard to a proposal for an alternative option rather than closing the road when events occur.

8. Burrator Beacon - <http://burrator.gov.uk/burrator-beacon/>

The Winter edition will be available for distribution soon.

9. Reports from outside bodies

Cllr Wills gave a brief update from a meeting he attended concerning livestock being killed or injured on local roads. The meeting was held by SPPC. A number of actions are being looked into to try and prevent incidents. These include involving Dartmoor Speedwatch.

10. Parish Property

a. Update on Grit Bins,

The grit bins should be installed shortly by DCC.

The additional grit bins should be sufficient.

11. To consider the planting of oak saplings from the royal oak tree at Meavy

Cllr R Glanville and Wills have offered to have 10 of the saplings each and to record their location, so if required at a later date the location of the trees will be known and could possibly use as a replacement for the Royal Oak at Meavy.

12. Councillor Training supported by Southern Links

There is free councillor available the clerk advised that the information has been circulated and for councillors to look on the DALC website for dates when the specific training is available.

Cllr Milne is part way through the training and commented that it is very good.

13. Highway matters

A large amount of logging has been going on near Norsworthy Bridge at Burrator reservoir and has left a considerable amount of mess on the roads. The clerk will contact, Highways, SWLT and SWW to report issues.

Cllr Wills reported that the drain at Meavy Bridge is blocked on one side and needs clearing.

Cllr Milne reported that a culvert is blocked by Elbow Bend, on the road to Walkhampton Church.

The clerk will report the issues to DCC Highways

Draft minutes for approval

14. Correspondence

A letter has been received from Geofry Cox MP regarding a petition concerning the state of rural roads in Devon. The petition will be scanned and circulated, for community members to complete and return.

15. 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, the members of the public left.

16. The Royal Oak Inn Committee

It was agreed that there would be a deadline for the dilapidations to be completed by. If there is still work to be carried out the council will consider what needs to be done.

It was agreed a meeting would be held on 7th December to consider the lease.

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

Agreed. No person re-entered the meeting.

18. Urgent additional business, by leave of The Chair

Nothing further.

The Meeting was closed at 21.17

Signed

Date