

# **Burrator Parish Council**

## **Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council**

### **held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

### **At Walkhampton Memorial Hall**

**Councillors present:** Cllrs Paskins, F Glanville, Palmer, Wills, Stribley, R Glanville and Radmore

**Also present:** Katharine Griffiths (Parish Clerk) 6 members of public, DCC Cllr Philip Sanders and WDBC Cllr West.

**Absent:** Cllr France, Milne and Burbage

The meeting was opened by the chair Cllr F Glanville at 7.36pm

#### **1. Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr France, Milne and Burbage. WDBC Cllr Viney also offered her apologies.

#### **2. Declarations of Interest.**

None declared.

#### **3. Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

It was noted that the date and location were incorrect, the clerk has amended the error. It was proposed that the minutes were agreed as an accurate record and signed this was agreed by the members present.

#### **4. Matters arising from the Minutes 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

Burrator Events – still waiting for a response with regard to being consulted prior to road closures within the parish, especially around Burrator reservoir.

A temporary repair has been carried out on the road at Sheepstor.

#### **5. Planning Committee**

One application was considered.

[0075/24](#) Consultation Request Letter - Application at Burrator House, PL20 6PF

After due consideration the parish council would like to object to the proposal on the following grounds.

That the application does not meet the criteria for diversification of farmland and the land and barn were purchased, 6 months ago, speculatively with the intention of conversion to a holiday let.

If the barn was to be converted into a holiday let this would have a severe detrimental impact on the neighbouring properties by way of increased noise and light. The outside seating would require lighting and would be in contravention of the protecting tranquillity and dark night skies policy.

The area is currently a haven for wildlife and the development would have a negative impact on the ecology and biodiversity in the area.

If a new vehicular access were to be created this would have a negative visual impact on the appearance of the area. There is currently no vehicular access to the barn.

The proposal is not situated close to Burrator House but is in a remote piece of woodland and is not considered to be in a sustainable location. A car would need to be used to access amenities such as shops and pubs. The number of vehicle

movements would increase further with deliveries, cleaning and maintenance vehicles.

It is clear from representation at the meeting that a large proportion of the residents of Sheepstor are opposed to the development.

## **6. Finance & General Purposes Committee**

### **a. Bills for Payments**

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

Payments to be made:

Payment	Amount
Meavy Hall Hire Jan 24	£64.00
AWL – Fire alarm system sensor replacement.	£1232.59
AWL – Intruder Alarm detection box replacement	£838.15
Catering Hygiene Specialists – deep clean of kitchen	£1771.20

### **b. Bank reconciliation.**

The bank reconciliation was noted.

### **c. Grant request from Sheepstor PCC for ground maintenance 2023**

It was proposed by Cllr R Glanville that the grant would be paid in April 24 this was seconded by Cllr Stribley and agreed by the council.

## **7. Burrator Events**

Nothing further.

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

The Spring edition will be circulated shortly, and extra distributors are being requested.

## **9. Reports from outside bodies**

### **a. Borough Councillors Report**

Cllr West have an update. In response to the challenges and opportunities faced by communities, West Devon Borough Council's Hub has set out its priorities for the coming four years. The full report can be found on the [WDBC website](#). Other issues that have been raised are speeding through Dousland, pot holes and rubbish collections.

There is funding available for village halls through.

### **b. Devon County Council Report.**

Cllr Sanders provided an update on the proposed parking meters for Tavistock, he confirmed that they haven't been purchased yet. The next stage would be to get full council approval and there are a number of meetings in the next few weeks. Cllr Sanders commented that he is very much against the idea of the parking meters and there is little justification for them.

There is a proposal being put forward for a multi-modal transport hub at Yelverton. That would include allowing cyclists to use the bus lane and changes to the parking system.

The budget for DCC has been agreed and will provide extra funds for Adult and Childrens services, also a little extra for Highways.

### **c. DNPA**

Philip Sanders gave an update, there is a new head of planning - Dean Kinsella. There is currently still no pre-app advise being given. The new planning system has a few issues and is not doing what was promised.

The Development Management meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> March will include the Yennadon Quarry application.  
DEFRA have yet to inform the National Park as to what their funding will be for the forthcoming year.

**10. To consider dates for the 3 separate Annual Parish Meetings in w/b 15th April.**

As previously agreed there will be three separate Parish Meetings at each location. Sheepstor – 16<sup>th</sup> April, Walkhampton – 17<sup>th</sup> April and Meavy 18<sup>th</sup> April, all meetings will take place at 7.30pm.

**11. Parish Property**

Nothing to note.

**12. Highway matters**

Nothing further.

**13. Correspondence**

Nothing to note.

**14. 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 and actioned.

**15. The Royal Oak Inn Committee**

Cllr Wills gave an update on the current situation.

An inventory will be drawn up with photographs.

It was agreed to send the letter regarding the deposit with a few amendments.

It was agreed that the electrical survey will be carried out.

**16. Accommodation in Walkhampton**

It was agreed that a letter would be sent to the relevant bodies.

**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 Raised

**19. Dates of next meeting.**

14 March, Meavy Parish Hall, Planning followed by Royal Oak Inn

28 March Meavy Parish Hall, Full Council

The Meeting was closed at 21.55.

Signed

Date