

Minutes and Proceedings of Bury Parish Council
held at
Bury Village Hall, Wednesday 7th
December 2016 at 7.30 pm.

Present Cllr.P.Hazell Chairperson

Cllr.D.Wakefield
Cllr J.Hayes
Cllr K.Prestage
Cllr A.Johnston
Cllr K.Turner
Cllr.R.Scantlebury
Cllr/C.Cllr. M.Tew
Cllr. P.Brindley

DCllr P Bucknell

Mr J Mumford – Neighbourhood Plan Co-ordinator
Ms J McGlashan – Speedwatch Co-ordinator

2 Members of the Public

Clerk Mrs.C.Johnson

1216.01 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from DCllr Tavener

1216.02 COUNCILLORS INTERESTS

To receive from Councillors declarations as to personal or prejudicial interests and declarable pecuniary interests that might require the granting of dispensation the nature of those interests in relation to Agenda items.

No interests were declared.

1216.03 MINUTES OF MEETING of 2nd November 2016

The minutes of the above meeting were approved.

1216.04 POLICE REPORT

The Police have visited the village shop to advise Thusy about burglaries that have been carried out recently on similar shops locally.

DCllr Bucknell expressed his disappointment that the police did not turn up to help with the xmas light switch on as requested and has complained.

1216.05 COMMUNITY BUSINESS

Following the recent meeting of the Four Parishes Group Wistow and Upwood Parish Councils will welcome Bury Parish Councillors attending their meetings and are happy to attend ours when appropriate. Warboys is still to discuss.

1216.06 REPORTS

Councillors had nothing to report.

1216.07 RAF UPWOOD

A letter has been received from Larkfleet Homes asking to meet with the Parish Council to discuss their plans for the RAF Upwood site. It was agreed to invite them to the January meeting.

D.Cllr Bucknell advised the Council that the CIL money for the site has now been agreed but the 106 agreement is still on-going. When this is finalised the old barracks will be demolished.

1216.08 CLINIC SITE

Cllr Hazell contacted Upwood Estates, who advised him that they are still in negotiation with Huntingdonshire District Council concerning the 106 agreement and are hoping for this to be resolved in 2017. It would appear that the site is for sale.

1216.09 PLANNING

Ref: 16/00231/OUT Outline application for the erection of 2 dwellings on Land North of Lowbury, Bury Road.

Application refused appeal dismissed.

Ref: 16/02464/TREE T1 London Plane: reduce by 2-3 metres and removal of lowest limb to raise crown. 18 Valiant Square.

Approved unanimously.

1216.10 CEMETERY.

The interment of Mrs Dorothy Whitwell has taken place and all fees have been received.

The grave diggers employed by Swearers damaged the ground of an existing grave when working at the cemetery recently. Swearers have informed the grave diggers who have agreed to rectify the issue by the 4th December.

It was agreed to proceed with a metal fence around the Garden of Rest in the closed cemetery up to a value of £500-£600.

Cllr Hayes reported that some of the graves have decorative items on them. As the rules state that no such items should be placed on graves it was decided that all new burials should have the rules brought to their families attention.

1216.11 FOOTPATHS

The bus shelter on Valiant Square has now been removed. It was decided that the grit bin should be moved onto the shelter base in the spring when it is empty.

1216.12 PLAYING FIELDS

Quotations have been received from 2 companies for the outdoor gym equipment. It was decided to proceed with the quote from Caloo at a cost of £24000, which would almost be covered by the Bury Bugle magazine donation and the 106 money from the Valiant Square development. Cllr Prestage suggested that a rest area should be included. This was agreed. It was decided that a Public Consultation/Presentation should be held in conjunction with the Neighbourhood Plan and Speedwatch at the end of January.

The circus has contacted the Clerk to ask if we would like them to visit again next year. This was agreed.

The playground inspection report has been received. Cllr Johnston will straighten the railings as mentioned in the report.

Mr Badcock will deal with the relaying of the matting under the swing basket in the spring so the grass will grow before the apparatus is put back in action.

1216.13 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cambridgeshire ACRE were invited to the meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group in November and have been employed for 6 days to assist with a number of areas that will move the project on to the next stage. The group will make their first grant application in December to fund this work.

1216.14 LOCAL HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE

The application for funding from the Local Highways Improvement Initiative for speed management measures at the Upwood Road entrance to the village has been lodged. We await a date for the presentation to the Highways Department in January. A decision should be made by March.

1216.15 TUNKERS LANE

Cllr Tew explained the options available for Tunkers Lane:

1. We could have a Driving Traffic Order, which would mean that it would remain open to residents and emergency vehicles etc., but it would remove it from Satellite navigation as a through road. Signs would be erected at both ends.

2. Or we could put a break in at the Buryfields end, which would prevent through traffic altogether, but would then mean that dustcarts would not collect household waste from the properties along that section as it is an unadopted lane.
It was proposed by Cllr Hazell and seconded by Cllr Prestage to carry out a consultation with the village next year. This was agreed unanimously.

1216.16 GRENFELL ROAD

Following the work carried out on the new parking restrictions on Grenfell Road the Councillors expressed their disappointment that it was not completed as requested. It should have been 3 parking bays and they have marked an area quite a bit longer than that. It was decided that a Corporate Complaint should be made to the Highways Department.

1216.17 SPEEDWATCH

Despite various activities no more volunteers have come forward to help with Speedwatch. We are still waiting for the signs to be put up. Woodwalton have expressed a wish to buy into the Speedwatch equipment. This was agreed.

1216.18 ANNUAL PRECEPT 2017/18

Cllr Hazell proposed and Cllr Tew seconded the motion to retain the precept at £30,000. This was agreed.

1216.19 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The Clerk reported that she had received the following correspondence:

1. Wistow Parish Council have invited Councillors to join them for three Councillor Training sessions they have arranged for 7th, 14th and 21st February 2017.
2. MAGPAS raffle tickets have been received.
3. Confirmation from Barclays Bank that the signing mandate has now been amended.
4. Clarification from NALC on the legal position of Parish Councils with reference to donations for the maintenance of church buildings.
5. Details from Cambridgeshire County Council with reference to the impact lorries and other vehicles have on local areas. It was decided to write to HLC.
6. Consultation document in respect of an Interim Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations. Forwarded to all.
7. Information from HDC with reference to adopting the telephone box that is going to be de-commissioned.
8. Letter from a resident in Old Stable Walk with reference to inconsiderate parking at school times. It was felt that although we have no powers to prevent this perhaps the subject could be raised with the school.

1216.20 DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNATURE

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Power</u>
Cambridgeshire ACRE-re annual subscription	£54.00	Local Govt. Act 1972 s.112
S Bell-handyman duties Sep/Oct/Nov	£250.00	Open spaces Act.1906 s.9/10
C Johnson-Clerk's fees November	£442.50	Local Govt. Act .1972 s.112
The Play Inspection Company- Play area inspection	£60.00	Open spaces Act. 1906 s.9/10
M Badcock- cemetery gardening + extra cut	£450.00	Local Govt.Act. 1972 s.215

1216.21 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4TH January 2017 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

1216.22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Wakefield said the xmas lights switch on went very well but suggested that perhaps the time should be changed to later so that the volume of traffic would be reduced and proceedings could be heard better. The school choir and Thusy have been thanked for their help.

Cllr Brindley informed the council that a lot of people are asking about the streetlights being switched off over night. This will be discussed at a future meeting.

1216.23 PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

Mr Davis from 19 Owls End expressed his thanks to Cllr Tew for his help in getting