

Minutes and Proceedings of Bury Parish Council held
at
Bury Village Hall, Wednesday 6th September 2017 at
7.30 pm.

Present	Cllr.P.Hazell	PH	Chairperson
	Cllr. P.Brindley	PB	
	Cllr.D.Wakefield	DW	
	Cllr J.Hayes	JH	
	Cllr A.Johnston	AJ	
	Cllr.R.Scantlebury	RS	
	Cllr K Prestage	KP	
	Cllr/C. Cllr. M.Tew	MT	
	C. Cllr P Bucknell	PBL	
	C. Cllr A Costello	AC	
	Clerk Mrs. C. Copley	Clerk	

0917.01 APOLOGIES

0917.02 COUNCILLORS INTERESTS

No interests received

0917.03 MINUTES OF MEETING 5th July 2017

One amendment was made to section 0717.11 "Playing Fields". The Chair confirmed Miss Louisa Scotney of Bury CofE School would in fact be awarding the prizes at the Bury Garden Show, not Mr Shailesh Vara MP, as stated in the minutes.

0917.04 COUNCILLOR VACANCY

No applications received therefore it was decided to continue with the advertising.

0917.05 POLICE REPORT

RAF Upwood –

Reports of trespassers on 21 July, 29 July, 2 August, 5 August and 20 August. The group of approximately 10 youths seen trespassing on the 20th August were also seen damaging the village road/speed sign.

Shillow Hill, reports of RTAs on 7 July (2 x incidents), 11 July, 23 July and on the 24 August it was reported a tree had fallen partially across the road causing a dangerous obstruction. A local farmer working nearby removed the tree promptly.

Upwood Road/High Street Bury, 17 July, reports of an RTA on the junction after the driver of a vehicle was suddenly taken ill at the wheel of their car.

Bury, On the 13 July after failing to stop the police pursued at speed a Ford Transit from Warboys through Bury and on to Ramsey St Marys. The driver subsequently abandoned the vehicle.

Ramsey Road, 23 August at around midnight police stopped a vehicle for speeding in Bury and whilst talking to the driver noticed a strong smell of cannabis. The driver admitted having a small supply of cannabis in the vehicle and was subsequently issued a formal cannabis warning

0917.06 COMMUNITY BUSINESS

0917.07 REPORTS

KP attended the latest Bury Village Hall Committee meeting and confirmed that the meetings no longer require a representative from the Council. Councillors are more than welcome to attend the AGM and Neighbourhood Plan meetings as members of the public.

All future room bookings for the Parish Council meetings at the Village Hall will be free of charge.

MT received an email from a member of the public complaining about the bird droppings on the childrens play equipment, it was suggested plastic covers be purchased.

The play equipment rubber matting is being pulled up, it was suggested clips be purchased (approx. £10 for 100) to secure the matting and **PB** will seek advice from Caloo before purchasing.

The **Clerk** will follow up on correspondence with Caloo regarding the replacement rubber handles and 2 small pots of green and blue paint as requested by **PB**.

Concerns have been raised regarding threatening behavior from the youths seen hanging around the equipment. Steps are being taken to obtain evidence to take the matter further. Bury School have also voiced their concerns regarding the safety of the school pupils with the youths hanging round the equipment. **MT** had a discussion with Sgt Street around the possibility of installing CCTV at the village hall. The idea did not meet opposition and further discussions will be had around costs, siting and maintenance of the equipment. The Parish Council will discuss possibilities with the Village Hall Committee.

PH reminded the Council that Shailesh Vara MP will be officially opening the new gym equipment site this weekend at the Bury Village Garden Show.

PH attended the Ramsey Civic Service

0917.08 RAF UPWOOD

PBL updated us on the current position of the development. Currently quotes are being put together for the infrastructure works including demolition on the site

0917.09 CLINIC SITE

Official people have been seen walking around the site and **PBL** confirmed Upwood Estates have contacted Adrian asking questions.

PBL stated that as part of a possible "areas of interest" excess land off Valiant Square and Tunkers Lane has been highlighted as possible development sites for 50 dwellings whilst land south of Buryfields" 120-130 dwellings. This was only requested for sites to show the Inspector. This will need to be incorporated in to the Neighbourhood Plan.

0917.10 PLANNING

Development of a new bungalow, 9 Woodfield Avenue and extension to 6 Buryfield. It was decided that planning applications are to be printed off and circulated to each Councillor ahead of the deadline from now on.

0917.11 FOOTPATHS

Bi Monthly Footpaths report with supporting photographs from Cllr Scantlebury (Report and photographs circulated via email)

Gardeners have been seen clearing the garden of the property opposite the Lion Pub.

The tidiness of the village hall car park was noted with an area near the residents brick garden walls needing weeding.

PB will carry out a further inspection of the brick wall that backs on to the childrens play area, if needbe he will contact the owners to make them aware.

0917.12 PLAYING FIELDS

Repairs to the rope climbing frame have been made successfully (by CGM) and the zip wire seat and chain have also been repaired.

0917.13 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Request received from John Prestage on behalf of the Neighbourhood Plan for a cheque from the Council for £250 was agreed.

0917.14 CEMETERY

A request and cheque of £70 from Fenland Stoneworks was received for additional inscription to T/L J J Simes headstone

0917.15 SPEEDWATCH

The Speedwatch signs have been put up but seem to have had little effect.

MT has put in a request for funding for the new scheme (gates,rundell etc)

Wistow are currently installing new speed signs

The **Clerk** will contact Mr Large for an update on the Speedwatch training etc

Once works commence on the Upwood base sites a road restriction can be put in force between Upwood and Bury reducing the speed down to 50mph and possibly lower.

0917.16 ANNUAL RETURN

PKF Littlejohn have completed their review of the Annual Return for Bury Council and informed the Clerk of further instructions. The Return will need to be displayed on the Council website and notice boards. The **Clerk** will forward the relevant papers to **PB** for the village website

0917.17 SPEEDING TRAFFIC/OWLS END

PB has put the application for funding (8k) in and until the funds have been confirmed the order cannot be placed. It was agreed the **Clerk** is to contact Scott Parsons for clarification as to why the village speed signs will not be repaired following electronic failure and if so, can we install our own on the existing posts.

0917.18 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

1. An invite to attend Huntingdonshire Parish Council Conference taking place on Friday 15th September 2017. The conference is an opportunity to meet with Jason Ablewhite (Police and Crime Commissioner) as well as representatives from the Police, Fire and Rescue and the local authority to discuss local issues and receive updates. (circulated via email).

2. Update on the silver caravan parked on Pound Road. The caravan is still there despite being given a Notice to Remove. **PBL** will look in to this matter again.

3. An email was received from a lady hoping to hold a children's charity event on the field. Unfortunately the lady was put off after not realizing she would be required to complete a Risk Assessment despite the offer of assistance from Cllr Brindley, she advised she will have another think and get back to me with a view to holding one next year.

4. It was noted that an event is being held in the Village Hall and on the playing field on the 23rd September, the **Clerk** will contact the event organiser to clarify the booking as the playing field belongs to the Parish Council it will need to be booked out and relevant insurances and risk assessments raised. **PB** received an email from the organiser and will forward this to the **Clerk**.

0917.19 DATA PROTECTION UPDATE

PB updated the Council on the position so far. Most documents have been produced and will be in circulation soon. Once completed the policy documents will be stored on a safe area of the village website until all Councillors have read and approved them.

MT to send the Financial Regs and Publications Scheme to the **Clerk** for forwarding to **PB** for the website.

0917.20 FUNDING SUB GROUP

PB has proposed a funding sub group be formed as a way of keeping track of funding applications and schemes available to us.

PBL agreed to speak to Clare Burton regarding the CIL (on new build houses) due in from the Owls End development.

PB to chase the 106 agreement monies due in for the gym equipment

0917.21 DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNATURE

<u>Payee</u>		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Power</u>
M Badcock, cemetery grass cutting	July	£300	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
HMRC, Clerks PAYE	July	£32.40	Local Govt Act 1972 s.112
C Copley, Clerks fees	July	£384.26	Local Govt Act 1972 s.112
Littlejohn, Audit Fees	July	£240	
CGM Group, grass cutting services	July	£140.40	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
Caloo gym equipment	July	£27975.14	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
CGM Group, grass cutting services	July	£51.30	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
CGM Group, grass cutting services		£126	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
C Copley, Clerks fees August		£425.08	Local Govt Act 1972 s.112
HMRC, Clerks PAYE		£32.40	Local Govt Act 1972 s.112
M Badcock, cemetery grass cutting		£300	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
R Brown, grass cutting, Upwood Rd		£200	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
S Bell, Caretaking duties		£250	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
Streetmaster, New bench to The Pound		£932.40	Open spaces Act 1906 s.9/10
V A Steward, Engraving Garden Show Shield		£16.00	Local Govt. Act 1976 s.19

0917.22 WORKING PARTIES

DW informed us of the "Ram Shed" group, currently working out of Manor Farm.

RamShed recently visited **PH** and will be refurbishing the old phone box on Valiant Square and possibly spruce up the village notice boards. It was noted the Village Hall sign on Brookfield Way is in need of some repair.

0917.23 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The date and time of the next meeting will be Wednesday 4th October at 7.30pm
Apologies from **CCllr Bucknell** and **Cllr Hazell**

0917.24 ANY OTHER BUSINESS/FOR DISCUSSION AT NEXT MEETING

0917.25 PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

3 members of the public (Tusi, Lucy and Paul), attended the meeting at 8.30. Lucy is a Specialist Nurse at Addenbrookes NHS Trust and came along to discuss the possibility of the village installing a defibrillator. Tusi has very kindly agreed to allow the defibrillator to be installed at Bury Stores. It was agreed Lucy would attend the next Parish meeting to discuss the logistics and costs involved etc.