

BURY PARISH COUNCIL

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Bury Parish Council met on Wednesday 2nd June 2021 from 7.30pm at Bury Village Hall, Main Hall

Minutes

0621-298 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Councillors M. Tew (Chairman), J. Prestage (Vice Chairman), D. Wakefield, R. Scantlebury, J. Hayes, K Prestage.
District Councillor Clarke
Clerk – C Copley and 1 member of public

Apologies received: Cllr Johnston, Hazell, and County Councillor Costello

0621-299 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

0621-300 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

To allow up to 15 minutes (3 minutes per person) for any members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business on this agenda.

The member of public present did not wish to speak.

0621-301 MINUTES OF MEETINGS FOR APPROVAL

Minutes for approval of Parish Council Meeting of 5th May 2021.

Two corrections were received under the following items.

277 – Cllr Prestage was re-elected Vice Chairman, not Chairman

290 – Icenis are not the developers for the pedestrian crossing and should read the “developers consultants Icenis have indicated that issues relating to the road surface condition and lighting levels will be addressed as part of the details design”.

Resolved That the amendments be noted and following no further changes requested be signed by the Chairman.

0621-302 COUNCILLORS UPDATES - To receive verbal reports from the Parish Councillors on their portfolio of responsibilities and actions carried out since previous meeting:

Road Safety

Cllr M Tew reported pot holes have been filled in the village as far as the Wistow turning.

Footpaths/Trees

Cllr R Scantlebury – nothing to report this month.

Garden Show

Due to Cllr P Hazells absence no update has been received.

Cemetery

See working group update below.

CAPALC

Cllr M Tew reported CAPALC are now providing an internal audit service and new training courses have been added.

Playing Fields

Cllr A Johnston did not provide an update in his absence.

Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr J Prestage confirmed the Neighbourhood Plan has passed its final stage and is now fully made. The Plan can be viewed on the Parish Council website and Huntingdonshire District Councils website under;

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/media/5342/bury-village-neighbourhood-plan-2019-2036.pdf>

Public Engagement

Cllr Tew continues to receive and report incidents of planning violations from the various village development sites to the Enforcement Team.

Flood Working Group

Cllrs Wakefield, J Prestage, R Scantlebury and Tew had no updates.

Finance Working Group

Cllrs Tew, Wakefield, Hayes reported the next group meeting would be in September 2021.

Cemetery Working Group

The Clerk reported the new bench was delivered damaged and has been returned to the supplier, its replacement should arrive in August. The sundial is yet to be installed.

Planning Working Group

Cllrs K Prestage, Wakefield, J Prestage and Scantlebury – see item 312 below.

0621-303 REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

County Councillor Costello forwarded the following report in her absence.

As no one party did not get an overall majority, a 'Rainbow Coalition' was formed between LibDems, Labour and the Independents who now control the council. They are making changes, so the number of service committees has been cut by 2 but the number of attendees increased from 10 to 15. They have also decided that these committees need only meet every 3 months and indeed the same for the full council. This means that many decisions are being delayed.

0621-304 CRIME REPORTS

Two reports of crime within the parish over the last month as follows.

Valiant Square, Bury – Police towed away a black Transit van found abandoned on Valiant Square on Tuesday morning, 11th May, when checks showed that it had previously been stolen elsewhere in the County. (Ref CC-11052021-0101)

Owl's End, Bury – A similar report of cars causing problems at school times along Owl's End was received on Thursday 27th May. This has also been passed to the Neighbourhood Policing Team. (Ref CC-27052021-0229)

0621-305 VACANCY

The statutory period for electors to request an election to fill the vacancy on the Council, due to the resignation of Cllr Alyce Barber, has now passed without such a request having been made. Therefore, the Council can now make the necessary arrangements to co-opt to fill the vacancy. Interested parties should contact the Clerk in the first instance.

0621.306 VILLAGE GRASS CUTTING/THE POUND

To confirm ground works to be carried out at the Pound at a cost of circa £500, along with clearance works to the sports field boundary following recent works to the adjacent property that has left an amount of rubbish, ivy, and overgrowth on the sports field side of the fence, at a cost of circa £550.00.

Resolved The works to the Pound area be carried out at a cost of £500.
The works to the sports field fence be carried out but with care to not damage the brick wall adjacent to the site, at a cost of £550.00.

0621-307 BMX TRACK

The Clerk has received draft Heads of Terms from the Caton Trust agents, Carter Jonas and forwarded them to Councillors on the 4th of May for consideration. The Clerk has also contacted Serjeant and Sons of Ramsey to enquire as to costs relating to the Councils purchase of this land. A reply was received from Serjeant and Son on the 25th of May, also forwarded to Councillors for consideration.

Resolved That the newly formed Planning Committee take forward discussions in relation to the Councils purchase of the land within the reasonable budget set.

0621-308 ONE LEISURE ACTIVE LIVES PROGRAMME SUMMER 2021.

To receive costings for the Active Lives programme for Summer 2021 collaboration with Upwood Parish Council.

Bury

Friday 30 July – 10:00–12:00

Wednesday 4 August – 10:00–12:00 (potential)

Friday 6 August – 10:00–12:00

Upwood Playing Field

Friday 13 August – 10:00–12:00

Friday 20 August – 10:00–12:00

Friday 27 August – 10:00–12:00

The Clerk confirmed the costs for the three sessions hosted by Bury Parish Council will be a total of £391.68 for One Leisure and £45 for the cost of hiring the hall, in total £436.68.

Resolved To continue to support the scheme again this year and collaborate with Upwood Parish Council to roll out the sessions which will be free of charge to users. The costs to the Parish Council will be met through the funds remaining from the Memory Box scheme set up by Cllr Barber in 2020.

0621-309 RAF UPWOOD

Councillors who attended a recent meeting regarding the RAF Upwood Guard Room site provided an update to full Council on the discussions. Cllrs recently met with Kevin Jewell of Hyde Housing at the Guard Room, RAF Upwood. The focus of the meeting was to initially observe the condition of the Guard Room with a view to the Council exploring the opportunity to acquire the building for a community center.

Resolved A formal Parish Council Planning Committee be formed to focus on current planning applications including but not exclusive to the acquisition of the BMX track and community space at RAF Upwood.

The Clerk has previously circulated to Councillors draft Terms of Reference outlining the scope of Committee, which are appended to these minutes.

0621-310 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS

Cllr. J. Prestage reported he is awaiting further instruction from the County Council on the next steps to proceed with the Council funded crossing.

06.06.2021 further update has been received from the County Council to say the design drawing will commence shortly. They will then commission BBLP to produce the electrical design and seek quotations for the supply and installation of the Zebra crossing and the power supplies. County Council will also request a stage 2/3 road safety audit. It is anticipated all the above will be completed and the information on cost available by the end of August.

0621-311 TRAFFIC DATA

The logger was placed on Upwood Road from the 27th of April 2021 to the 7th of May 2021.

Speed violations 11.19% with top speed 76mph [car Wednesday 28th between 20.30 & 21:00]

Average number of vehicles (total both directions) 4,700; weekdays; 3,500 weekends; 2,500 on the bank holiday.

From the 18th of May 2021 to the 28th of May 2021 the logger was placed on Bury Road.

Speed violations 30.48% with top speed 64mph [car Friday 28th between 01.30 & 02:00]

Average number of vehicles (total both directions) 9,900; weekdays; 7,000 weekends.

0621-312 PLANNING – To receive planning applications.

21/00919/HHFUL- Single storey front and rear extensions and first floor side extension- 2 Redebourn Lane Bury Huntingdon

0621-312.1 To receive an update from the Clerk on previous applications.

0621-312.2 To receive an update from Cllr Tew with regards to the RUB Alliance activities throughout the past month.

Resolved 312. Was unanimously resolved to continue to oppose the development on the grounds of the new side extension still prevents access to the rear. The Council also felt the new design is not in keeping with the existing neighbouring properties.

312.1 to receive and note the updated list of planning applications which are also appended to these minutes.

312.2 To receive and note the contents of Cllr Tews update on the RUB Alliance activities who continue to put pressure on the authorities responsible for parish and neighbouring villages infrastructure. The Alliance continues to look at traffic movement throughout the area with focus on the Phase 2 RAF Upwood re-calculation of junctions and the White Lion, Bury junction.

0621-313 FINANCE – To confirm agreement of payment of outstanding debts.

May 2021 payments:

1. S/O C Copley	Clerk wages for May	£ 790.18
2. C. Copley	Expenses for May	£ 24.39
3. HMRC	PAYE	£ 19.36
4. M Badcock	Cemetery Maintenance	£ 450.00
5. M Badcock	Village grass cutting	£ 774.20
6. Caloo Ltd	Installation of SUDs surface to gym shelter	£ 2266.80
7. AskIT	Website hosting, annual subs, 01.05.21-30.06.22	£ 395.00

Resolved To approve the above invoices numbered 1 to 7 for payment, and the online payment be facilitated by Cllrs Hayes and K Prestage.

0621-313.1 Monies received.
0621-313.2 Bank reconciliation for May 2021.

Resolved 313.1 No monies have been received this month.
313.2 The Chairman and Vice Chairman confirmed the bank reconciliation as correct.

0621-314 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- 1). Request from local apiarist looking for land to place hives.
- 2). SERV Suffolk and Cambs – post grant report.
- 3). HDC Press release – Cambs Wi-Fi.
- 4). HDC Press release – District Councils plans and Ministry of Housing. St Neots is set to benefit from investment from the Government's Future High Streets Fund, alongside only 71 other high streets from across England.
- 5). HDC Press release – Electric Vehicle Charge Points installations.
- 6). HDC Press release – OneLeisure concessions scheme.
- 7). HDC Press release – ARG Grants live.
- 8). Copy of correspondence sent from a resident to County Council Highways regarding drain clearing on Owls End/

0621-315 MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION (decisions cannot be made under this item)

0621-316 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 7th July 2021, 7.30pm Bury Village Hall.

With no further business to conduct the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21:33.