

# **Burgh Castle Parish Council**

Chairman: Trevor Greenacre Vice Chairman: Bob Grimmer

## **Minutes from the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at Burgh Castle Village Hall**

**Present:** Cllrs T. Greenacre (Chair), B. Grimmer, T. Austin, W. Griffiths, B. Swan, K. Palmer (Clerk), and 5 members of the public including Borough Cllr Myers.

*The public section commenced at 7.30pm*

### **PUBLIC SECTION**

-It was reported the Burgh Castle Fun Day Group have been awarded a grant from the Tourism Board to go towards the set up costs for the 2018 event.

-Borough Cllr Myers reported he is currently helping two members of the public, one that is experiencing harassment by a neighbour, the second with a planning application to set up a business in a rural area.

-It was agreed that both the Parish Council and Borough Cllr Myers would support Belton with Browston Parish Council in objecting to the planning application below as access to the new property would be on the apex of the bend as Stepshort goes from Burgh Castle toward the New road roundabout which would be extremely hazardous. Proposed Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Grimmer. All In Favour.

REF 06/17/0505/F Cool Runnings, Farman Close, Belton 3 bed detached dwelling

*With no further business the main meeting commenced at 7.36pm*

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllrs Hogg and Nichols and County Cllr Smith. To accept the apologies Proposed Cllr Griffiths, Seconded Cllr Austin. All In Favour.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **3. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

Minutes from the meeting held on the 13/11/17 had been prior circulated by the Clerk to all members. To accept the minutes as a true and accurate record. Proposed Cllr Grimmer, Seconded Cllr Swan. All In Favour.

### **4. MATTERS ARISING**

-Cllr Grimmer stated the work to install the fencing and planter will commence in the New Year weather permitting.

-Cllr Swan stated he will be checking the works undertaken by NCC at the Cherry Tree Corner concerning the clearance and drains and will report back to the Clerk. If the works are not satisfactory the Clerk to notify County Cllr Smith.

### **5. PLANNING**

06/17/0725/F Burgh Hall Holiday Park Change of use from 20 pitches to 15 Statics

It was agreed to submit no objections subject to the condition that the new static homes are only occupied for 11 months of the year. Proposed Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Austin. All In Favour.

### **6. SPEED WATCH**

Cllr Griffith gave the following report:

Following up from the previous month a Community Resolution was issued and a letter of apology was sent to the members of the Speed Watch Group that were effected. During the last month 17 vehicles were caught speeding and 16 of them had letters sent to them by the Police. The Group will be on a break for the next month.

## **7. BROADS AUTHORITY PARISH FORUM**

Following the emails from Somerton Parish Council it was agreed to support their request that future Broads Authority Parish Forums are held within local Parishes.

## **8. PARISH PRECEPT**

The Clerk had prior distributed to all members a copy of the 2018/19 draft precept. Cllr Swan reported, taking into account the increase of the tax base equivalent of properties from 406 to 463 in 2018, if the increase to general reserves was raised to £400 and the donation to the Archaeological Trust was reinstated the increase would amount to a 16% rise which would be an annual increase of £2.30 per household. To propose to accept the precept with this change Cllr Swan, Seconded Cllr Grimmer. All In Favour. Please note a copy of the precept is appended to and does form part of the minutes.

## **9. NCC PARISH PARTNERSHIP SCHEME**

Following the quotation received from NCC Highways for the Church Triangle project which total cost comes to £2500, Batemen Ground Works were unable to provide a quotation therefore the works will have to be undertaken by NCC. Cllr Swan Proposed to commence with the application subject to The Church PCC and the Archaeological Trust are both written to to request a contribution towards the Parish Council element for the works. Seconded Cllr Grimmer. All In Favour.

## **10. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

To Propose the sheet below for payment Cllr Grimmer, Seconded Cllr Swan. All In Favour.

Cheque Number	Detail	Amount
101200	Kate Palmer salary 376.64 less tax £75.40	£301.24
101201	Nina Dockerty wage	£78.75
101202	Sage Gardening	£394.75
101203	HMRC Kate Palmer tax 75.40	£75.40
	Total	£850.14

## **11. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA, PLUS TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

-Parish Partnership Scheme      -Speed Watch      -Cherry Tree Corner      -Village Planter  
The next meeting is Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 7.30pm

*With no further business the meeting finished at 7.58pm*