

BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 11th April 2017 at the Buckden Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present:

Councillor MacAndrew (Chairman)
Councillors: Bennett Burbidge Carter
Hayward Day Hayward Mrs Howell-Jones
Mrs Millard Pye Screaton
County Councillor Mrs Wisson 2 members of the public and J Chase (Parish Clerk)

(2016-17) 129	Apologies Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mrs Shirley, Moore, Hunstone, Emeleus and Ms Underwood	
(2016-17) 130	Open Forum 130.1 A member of the public spoke of a leaflet which had been circulated to parts of the village from Gladman's regarding the upcoming Public Inquiry. The PC was already aware of this leaflet. 130.2 Concern was expressed regarding the increase in car crimes over the last month and the Police had informed the PC that patrols had been increased.	
(2016-17) 131	Declarations of Interest. Cllr Carter declared an interest in item 134 relating to the Buckden Buckfest.	
(2016-17) 132	Minutes The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14 th March 2017 were agreed and signed. There were no matters arising.	
(2016-17) 133	County and District Councillor Reports 133.1 County Cllr Mrs Wisson gave a report and thanked the PC for their support whilst she had been our County Councillor. 133.2 District Councillor Hayward gave a report commenting on the plans for the upgrading of the A428 at the Black Cat and the consultation on the A1. He would continue to press for a Buckden Bypass and relief for Southoe. He reported that rumours regarding the closure of the Citizens Advice Centre in St Neots were incorrect. It was the HDC Advice Centre that was being closed.	

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<p>(2016-17) 134</p>	<p>Finance 134.1 Figures to the end of March 2017 were presented to the meeting. 134.2 Payments for sanction for March were proposed by Cllr Hayward and seconded by Cllr Carter and agreed. 134.3 Payments for sanction to 11 April were proposed by Cllr MacAndrew and seconded by Cllr Bennett and agreed. 135.4 An application for a donation to Buckden Buckfest for an additional power point in the Hall was discussed. Both the VHT and the Village Club had donated £250 each and it was requested that the PC donate the same. This was put to a vote and the proposal was carried with two abstentions.</p>	
<p>(2016-17) 135</p>	<p>Planning Committee 135.1 A report was given on the Planning Committee meeting held on 11th April 135.2 Cllr MacAndrew outlined the progress on the Council's Statement of Case for the forthcoming Inquiry to be held in May.</p>	
<p>(2016-17) 136</p>	<p>Transport Working Group. 136.1 A report was given of the meeting of 28th March which expressed concern at the increasing problems being experienced at the Offord level crossing. It was agreed that a dossier of incidents be kept and this would be highlighted in the Buckden Roundabout so incidents could be reported upon. 136.2 The draft letter on the A428 Caxton to Black Cat improvements was approved and will be sent. 136.3 A14. A mobile Visitors Centre explaining the progress and development of the A14 would be requested for Buckden Feast Day on July 1st.</p>	
<p>(2016-17) 137</p>	<p>To consider general correspondence received and any responses and actions. Cllr Howell-Jones will attend the Parish Council Planning Forum on 18 May</p>	
<p>(2016-17) 138</p>	<p>Items for report only The names of the candidates for the County Council elections and Mayor had been received.</p>	

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