

# BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 at the Buckden Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present:

Councillor Mrs Shirley (Chairman)  
 Councillors: Bennett Mrs Burbidge Carter  
 Day Hayward Mrs Howell-Jones  
 Hunstone MacAndrew Mrs Millard  
 Moore Pye Screamton Walker  
 County Councillor Mrs Wisson, and J Chase (Parish Clerk)

(2015-16) 88	<b>Apologies</b> No apologies were received	
(2015-16) 89	<b>Open Forum</b> Nothing was raised	
(2015-16) 90	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> None declared	
(2015-16) 91	<b>Minutes</b> 91.1 The minutes of the Meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 were agreed and signed. 91.2 Actions from the minutes had been carried out.	
(2015-16) 92	<b>County and District Councillors Reports</b> 92.1 County Councillor Mrs Wisson reported that work was starting on improving signage on the A1M and whilst this was taking place there could be lane closures and diversions. She also reported that there was a new fund for small grants being launched by the County Council.  92.2 District Councillor Hayward reported that he had been to a presentation on the A14 Ouse Valley Crossing Design. He added that the leader of the District Council would be standing for the post of Police and Crime Commissioner in the forthcoming election.	
(2015-16) 93	<b>Finance</b> 93.1 Updates to 30 <sup>th</sup> November were presented to the meeting.  93.2 Payments for sanction for December were proposed by Cllr Hunstone and seconded by Cllr Mrs Shirley and agreed  93.3. The Parish precept for 2016-17 was proposed at £75,750 by Cllr Hunstone, seconded by Cllr MacAndrew and approved.  93.4 Cllr Hunstone proposed, Cllr Moore seconded and approved that the sum of £100 be given to St Neots Museum to enable free entry for Buckden residents.	
(2015-16) 94	<b>Planning Committee</b> A report was given on the Planning Committee meetings held on 24 <sup>th</sup> November and 8 <sup>th</sup> December	
(2015-16) 95	<b>General Purposes Working Group.</b> A report on the meeting held 28 <sup>th</sup> October had been distributed. (see attached)	
(2015-16) 96	<b>Highways and Road Safety Working Group</b> Cllr Walker reported that he was waiting on responses from Cambridgeshire Highways on several outstanding issues. Concerns were raised about the increase in congestion between Brampton and Huntingdon in the morning and afternoon busy periods. Queuing traffic was a daily occurrence. The issue would be raised with Highways.	Cllr Mrs Shirley

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(2015-16) 97	<b>20 MPH Working Group</b> It was reported that the survey was under way. The correct address for survey monkey was <a href="http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/buckden20mph">www.surveymonkey.com/r/buckden20mph</a>	
(2015-16) 98	<b>Green Memorial</b> The bollards were in the process of being replaced.	
(2015-16) 99	<b>Housing Needs Survey</b> After discussion it was proposed by Cllr Mrs Shirley and seconded by Cllr Mrs Burbidge and agreed by 4 votes to 3 with 7 abstentions that <i>Buckden Parish Council approves the proposal by Cambridgeshire ACRE that a Housing Needs Survey be carried out by them, using the templates attached.</i>	
(2015-16) 100	<b>Public Rights of Way and Trees Working Group.</b> Cllr Walker reported that the new Rights of Way signs had been installed and that he was waiting confirmation of who the new County ROW Officer would be following the departure of the previous officer. He also reported his disappointment at the number of trees that had been removed/cutback in Park Road by HDC.	
(2015-16) 101	<b>Cemetery Working Group</b> A progress report was given. There was some concern over some of the work planned and it was pointed out that this was agreed by the Council prior to planning permission being applied for.	
(2015-16) 102	<b>To Consider General Correspondence received and any responses and actions.</b> HDC would be changing, from April 2016, the way that they consulted with Parish Councils about planning applications. Paper copies of the applications would no longer be sent to local councils. The Council agreed that the Clerk should look into obtaining a projector.	Clerk
(2015-16) 103	<b>Items for Report</b> It was reported that there would be an information update on the A14 Cambridge to Huntingdon improvement scheme on 15 <sup>th</sup> December at Wood Green Animal Shelter starting 6.30pm	

Signed .....

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