

# BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011 at the Buckden Millennium Community Centre at 7.45pm

Present: Councillor Mrs Shirley (Chairman)  
 Councillors Day, Goodger, Hayward, Hunstone, MacAndrew, Mrs Woods and Mrs Millard, and John Chase (Parish Clerk) and 1 member of public.

(2010-11) 103	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Clough and County Councillor Richard West. Cllr Wise had resigned from the council due to work commitments.	
(2010-11) 104	<b>Declaration of Interest</b> No declarations were made.	
(2010-11) 105	<b>Minutes</b> 105.1 The minutes of the meeting held on January 11 <sup>th</sup> were agreed and signed. 105.2 The following actions from the meeting of 11 <sup>th</sup> January were ongoing: 95.1 Interest rate on B of S deposit account 97.1 Consider purchase of grit bin. 100.2 The Clerk had ascertained that Carillion had responsibility for the subway mirrors and he had been advised by their local manager to hold back on buying replacements from the Council's funds for the time being. He would speak to them again at the end of February	Cllr Hunstone Cllr Mrs Millard  Clerk
(2010-11) 106	<b>County and District Councillors Reports</b> Neither were present	
(2010-11) 107	<b>Finance</b> 107.1 Monthly reports were presented to the meeting. 107.2 Cllr Hunstone proposed and Cllr Hayward seconded the payments for sanction and they were agreed unanimously.	
(2010-11) 108	<b>Planning</b> 108.1 A report was given on the Planning Committee meeting held 11 <sup>th</sup> January	
(2010-11) 109	<b>General Purposes.</b> 109.1 It was reported that the partial resurfacing of the Footpath 1 had been completed. 109.2 The next meeting of the GP working group would be on 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	
(2010-11) 110	<b>Footpaths/Trees</b> 110.1 It was explained that FP3 had been closed between the track to Diddington and the Anglian Water road whilst work was carried out to remedy flooding of the path resulting from measures that had been taken to control the spread of the dickerogammarus villosus "killer shrimp." Whilst the official diversion followed official footpaths Thornhill Estates had agreed that the track from the bench to the Anglian Water road could be used. 110.2 As there had been no progress in the Thornhill Estates efforts to formalise the footpath between the bench and the Anglian Water road the	

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	<p>Council would go ahead with its application. Now that the weather had improved arrangements would be made to collect and plant the new trees.</p>	
(2010-11) 111	<p><b>Quality Council</b> 111.1 It was reported that there had been a good a good attendance at the Parish Plan which meeting took place on 25<sup>th</sup> January. Around 12 people had shown an interest on joining the steering group and a meeting had been arranged for 16<sup>th</sup> February. 111.2 More details had now been obtained from the Councils preferred web site designer and the Council were satisfied that the order could be placed.</p>	
(2010-11) 112	<p><b>Highways and Road Safety Working Group</b> 112.1 Cllr Goodger was to be Chairman of the working group. 112.2 Later in the year there would be survey of the village roads to log problems with uneven footways and pot holes. 112.3 An issue had been raised at the open forum regarding the dropped kerb on Burberry Road where it entered the millennium Hall car park being blocked by parked vehicles on busy days. Cllr Goodger agreed to pursue with CCC Highways.</p>	Cllr Goodger
(2010-11) 113	<p><b>Allotments</b> <i>113.1 It was proposed that the revised Eligibility Criteria and Allocation of Plots and You and your Allotment: policies are adopted by the Council and implemented. Proposed Cllr Day, seconded Cllr Hayward and carried unanimously.</i></p>	
(2010-11) 114	<p><b>Staffing Committee</b> 114.1 It was reported that the Committee had held its first meeting and would concentrate in the first instance on updating contracts of employment and job descriptions for both the Clerk and the Handyman.</p>	
(2010-11) 115	<p><b>General Correspondence</b> 115.1 It was agreed that The Chairman would represent the Council at any consultative meetings regarding the future of Buckden Library. 115.2 Cllr Hunstone was delegated to attend the New Lorry Strategy meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 115.3 The situation with regard to the Village maintenance grant was noted.</p>	
(2010-11) 116	<p><b>116.1 The Quarry site</b> Cllr Hayward reported that he was trying to speak to Buckden School regarding using part of the Lafarge site as nature area for educational visits.</p>	

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