

BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 12th November 2013 at the Buckden Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present:

Councillor Mrs Shirley (Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs Woods Mrs Tewson

Mrs Millard Clough Day

Hayward Hunstone MacAndrew

Moore Richardson Walker

County Cllr Mrs Wisson, 2 members of the public and John Chase (Parish Clerk)

(2013-14) 80	Apologies Apologies were received from Councillors Griffin and Bennett. Cllr Mrs Surridge had resigned from the council	
(2013-14) 81	Declarations of Interest No interests were declared.	
(2013-14) 82	Open Forum A complaint about wet leaves making the footway between Burberry Road and Hunts End was referred to the Clerk.	
(2013-14) 83	Minutes 83.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 8 th October were agreed and signed. 83.2 There were no actions	
(2013-14) 84	County and District Councillors Reports 84.1 County Councillor Mrs Wisson reported that she had received complaints regarding vehicles speeding in Greenway and asked if the Council would consider conducting a speedwatch session in Greenway. Another resident had expressed concern over icy pavements during the winter and the resident had been advised to make use of the salt bins provided. 84.2 District Councillor Clough reported that HDC had supported the A14 scheme provided that the viaduct was removed and that local roads in Huntingdon were improved. He also reported that the District Council had cut costs by £1 million last year and that this year the target was a £2 million reduction.	
(2013-14) 85	Finance 85.1 Monthly reports were presented to the meeting. Copies are attached to these minutes. 85.2. Cllr Hunstone proposed and Cllr Mrs Millard seconded the November payments for sanction and they were agreed unanimously. 85.3 Cllr Hunstone reported that the Parish would not be receiving any contribution to offset the reduction in tax base resulting from the changes to Council Tax benefit in 2014-15 and this would be taken into account when the precept was considered. A proposal would be put before the December meeting.	
(2013-14) 86	Planning A report was given on the planning meetings held on 22 nd October and 12 th November.	
(2013-14) 87	General Purposes. A report had been prepared on the meeting held 22 nd October and a copy is attached to these minutes. The next meeting was to be held on 26 th November	
(2013-14) 88	Merging with Diddington The Council agreed unanimously that it would be willing for Diddington to merge with the Parish Council	
(2013-14) 89	Roundabout Article After discussion about the recent article on VHT finances it was resolved that <i>The Parish Council Chairman would liaise with the VHT Chairman to write an article for a future edition of the Buckden Roundabout.</i> Proposed by Cllr	

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	MacAndrew and seconded by Cllr Richardson.	
(2013-14) 90	A1 Roundabout It was resolved not to pursue the possible sponsorship of the A1 roundabout.	
(2013-14) 91	Village Welcome Pack. A report had been submitted to the meeting and the footpaths team would report in January on their progress. Cllr Mrs Millard would replace Mrs Surridge on the project team.	
(2013-14) 92	Buckden VHT A report had been submitted to the meeting and is attached to these minutes.	
(2013-14) 93	Footpaths and Trees 76.1 A report is attached to these minutes.	
(2013-14) 94	Roundabout 94.1 The November edition of the Roundabout had been produced on schedule 94.2 It was resolved to donate £25:00 as prizes for a children's book quiz in the Roundabout.	
(2013-14) 95	Village Plan The Chairman of the Steering Group gave a presentation on the draft plan and it was agreed to form a small team of Councillors to study the draft and raise points of fact or clarification.	
(2013-14) 96	To Consider General Correspondence received and any Responses and Actions. 96.1 It was agreed to accept the legal responses that CIL meaningful proportion receipts brings to the Council. 96.2 There would be no submission to the Minor Highways improvement Scheme this year. 96.3 The Council had no views on the draft SCI issued by the County Council.	
(2013-14) 97	Items for report. Councillors' attention was drawn to the Ecops replacement system Neighbourhood Alert.	

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