

# BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November at the Buckden Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present:

Councillor Carter (Chairman)

Councillors: Bennett, Mrs Burbidge, Day, Emeleus, Mrs Howell-Jones, Hunstone, MacAndrew, Mrs Millard, Moore, Pye, Mrs Shirley, Mrs Underwood

County Councillor Downes, and Mrs G West (Parish Clerk)

(2017-18) 71	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received from Cllrs Hayward & Screaton	
(2017-18) 72	<b>Open Forum</b> Nothing raised.	
(2017-18) 73	<b>Declarations of Interest.</b> There were none.	
(2017-18) 74	<b>Minutes</b> The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2017 were agreed & signed but it should be noted that the following are still open and will be moved forward to the December BPC meeting: 60.2 Ownership of the land at the rear of Manor Close; a response has been received from CCC but further clarification has been requested. 61.1 Cllr Hayward to report on meeting with Highways England & Kier. 65.2 Cllr Screaton to give update on submission of LHI application.	Clerk TH RS
(2017-18) 75	<b>County and District Councillor Reports</b> 75.1 County Cllr Downes had circulated a report before the meeting. County Cllr Downes discussed in greater detail the difficulties experienced with traffic coming over the narrow bridges from the Offords. It was agreed that BPC would write to the Mayor of the Combined Authority stating their concerns. It was also agreed that a reminder regarding the usage of the crossing would be put in the January edition of The Roundabout. 75.2 District Cllr Hayward circulated a report before the meeting.	IDC FS
(2017-18) 76	<b>To discuss the use of Working Groups and amend Standing Orders as appropriate &amp; to review Terms of Reference.</b> It was agreed that that this be discussed within a Working Group and be fed back to full BPC. Interested parties to email the Clerk. Meeting to be convened as soon as possible.	All
(2017-18) 77	<b>Finance</b> 77.1 The meeting was given the update to 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2017. 77.2 Payments for sanction as at 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2017 were proposed by Cllr Hunstone, seconded by Cllr Moore and agreed by all. 77.3 It was agreed to make a donation of £500 to Citizens Advice Rural Cambs. Proposed by Cllr Hunstone, seconded by Cllr Mrs Howell-Jones & agreed by all. Citizens Advice Rural Cambs to be mentioned in The Roundabout. 77.4 It was agreed to make a donation of £60 towards refreshments for community litter pick volunteers after the last litter pick of the year on 03/12/2017. Proposed by Cllr Hunstone, seconded by Cllr Mrs Burbidge & agreed by all. 77.5 It was agreed to make a donation of £89 to cover costs for a 'thank you' social for the volunteers of The Roundabout. Proposed by Cllr Hunstone, seconded by Cllr Bennett. Agreed by the majority with two abstentions.	FS

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(2017-18) 78	<p><b>Planning Committee</b></p> <p>78.1 Cllr MacAndrew reported from the Planning Committee meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> October 2017 where planning application 17/02073/HHFUL was approved. In addition, Cllr MacAndrew informed Council that he had responded to the HELAA on behalf of BPC.</p> <p>78.2 Cllr MacAndrew gave a verbal report on the Planning Committee meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017 when two applications were discussed. Application 17/02025/HHFUL – no comment. Application 17/01336/FUL – refused.</p>	
(2017-18) 79	<p><b>General Purposes</b></p> <p>79.1 Cllr Mrs Millard presented her report.</p> <p>79.2 Cllr Mrs Millard proposed that Council agree a budget of £2000 for refurbishment of the BT kiosk to house a defibrillator and that the Clerk has the authority to spend up to £2000 on this project. Seconded by Cllr Mrs Shirley &amp; agreed by all.</p> <p>79.3 Cllr Mrs Millard proposed to accept the quotations of £14,460.36 (excluding VAT) from Fenland Leisure for the refurbishment of the children's playground. Seconded by Cllr Pye &amp; agreed by all.</p>	Clerk
(2017-18) 80	<p><b>Cemetery Working Group</b></p> <p>80.1 Cllr Mrs Shirley proposed to accept quotation of £990 for removal of hedge and fence from the cemetery. Seconded by Cllr MacAndrew &amp; agreed by all.</p> <p>80.2 Cllr Mrs Shirley proposed to accept quotation of £11,230 received for works on main footpath and new footpath in the cemetery. Seconded by Cllr MacAndrew &amp; agreed by all.</p> <p>80.3 Cemetery regulations to be discussed further at the next Cemetery Working Group meeting and be fed back to full Council. Regulations to be issued for each interment.</p>	Clerk
(2017-18) 81	<p><b>Highways and Road Safety Working Group</b></p> <p>Cllr Mrs Howell-Jones gave a verbal report in the absence of Cllr Screaton. Speedwatch is going well with seven volunteers trained so far. There are four locations where the Speedwatch Team will be located; Perry Road, High Street, Church Street &amp; Lucks Lane. Six sessions have taken place on Perry Road to date. The Speedwatch Team have received good feedback from residents. Cllr Cater asked if volunteers are aware that they are general area s volunteers and not for just one location. Cllr Mrs Howell-Jones confirmed that they are aware. Cllr Carter asked if Silver Street would be included at any point. Cllr Mrs Howell-Jones responded that there are very specific regulations governing where Speedwatch cameras can be used which may preclude this location.</p>	
(2017-18) 82	<p><b>Transport Working Group</b></p> <p>Cllr Bennett presented his report from the Highways England Strategic Studies Stakeholders briefing held on 18<sup>th</sup> October, which focussed on the implications for this area. In addition, it is expected that the A1 Study should be completed by the end of the year &amp; expected to be published in the early part of 2018.</p>	
(2017-18) 83	<p><b>Rights of Way &amp; Trees Working Group</b></p> <p>Cllr Mrs Underwood presented the RWTWG report. It was agreed that as there is an overlap between footpaths &amp; trees that Cllr Mrs Burbidge would liaise with Cllr Screaton. In addition, Cllr Mrs Burbidge will liaise with the PRow Officer. Cllr Mrs Burbidge reported that has had a successful meeting with the PRow Officer regarding cycle path and the area at the end of Taylors Lane and is hoping to have a meeting with Anglian Water soon. A cycle safari will take place next Friday to look at potential improvements.</p>	AB/RS  AB/PE
(2017-18) 84	<p><b>Allotments Working Group</b></p> <p>84.1 Cllr Emeleus proposed to accept quotation of £395.22 (excluding VAT) for plot number signage and £462.94 for main allotments signage. Seconded by Cllr Mrs Burbidge &amp; agreed by majority with one abstention.</p> <p>84.2 Cllr Emeleus informed Council that the container storage is no longer available and is looking at alternatives. Cllr Emeleus will update Council when further information is available.</p> <p>84.3 It was noted that Cllr Mrs Underwood is now a member of the Allotment Working Group.</p>	PE  PE

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(2017-18) 85	Completion of the survey 'Growing a Rural Community' will be undertaken by the Clerk.	Clerk
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