

# BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2012 at the Buckden Millennium Community Centre at 7.45pm

Present:

Councillor Mrs Shirley (Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs Barrett Mrs Tewson

Mrs Millard Clough

Hunstone Day

Gaughan Richardson

Holden MacAndrew

1 member of the public

and John Chase (Parish Clerk)

(2012-13) 64	<b>Apologies</b> Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Woods, Mrs Surrige, Griffin and Hayward.	
(2012-13) 65	<b>Code of Conduct</b> Two Councillors still had to complete their Register of Interests and return to the Clerk	
(2012-13) 66	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest.	
(2012-13) 67	<b>Minutes</b> 67.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2012 were agreed and signed. <b>67.2 Actions from previous meeting</b> 53.3 Cllr Mrs Shirley reported that the District Library Manager had assured her that the donations are spent within Buckden. 55.4 We were still awaiting a response from the scouts. 58.4 Cleaning of the drainage channel had taken place on the speed hump in Burberry Road.	
(2012-13) 68	<b>County and District Councillors Reports</b> Cllr Clough reported that the draft development management policies that were out for consultation did not show any additional building in Buckden above that already identified in earlier plans. He also reported that HDC leisure centres had come out in the top three for satisfaction in a recent nationwide customer survey.	
(2012-13) 69	<b>Finance</b> 69.1 Monthly reports were presented to the meeting. Copies are attached to these minutes. 69.2 Cllr Hunstone proposed and Cllr Mrs Tewson seconded the payments for sanction and they were agreed. Copy attached.	
(2012-13) 70	<b>Planning</b> 70.1 Report was given on the planning committee meetings held on 25 <sup>th</sup> September and 9 <sup>th</sup> October. Minutes had been circulated.	
(2012-13) 71	<b>General Purposes.</b> 71.1 Notes of the meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> September had been circulated. 71.2 Buckden for Business (B4B) had asked the Council for a donation towards the cost of providing banners to advertise the Christmas Lights "switch on". Whilst there was some support for making a donation, there was opposition on the basis that the Council was already heavily committed to providing the Christmas lights and that other organisations provide their own banners for their events, <b>the proposition by Cllr Barrett seconded by Cllr Gaughan that the Council funded the cost of two banners was rejected.</b>	

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(2012-13) 72	<b>Parish Charter</b> There was nothing to report.	
(2012-13) 73	<b>Footpaths and Trees</b> A report is attached to these minutes.	
(2012-13) 74	<b>Highways and Road Safety</b> 74.1 A report on the working group meeting on 25 <sup>th</sup> September is attached to these minutes. Cllr MacAndrew suggested that the High Street/Church Street junction pedestrian crossing arrangements might make a suitable project for the next jointly funded improvement scheme. 74.2 A report on the meeting of the A1 safety group held 20 <sup>th</sup> September is attached to these minutes.	
(2012-13) 75	<b>VHT</b> Report attached to these minutes.	
(2012-13) 76	<b>Other items that need decisions.</b> <b>76 Roundabout Distribution of Flyers</b> Following a meeting with the Editor it was <b>proposed by Cllr Hunstone and seconded by Cllr Mrs Millard that the inclusion of flyers would cease with effect from the January 2013 edition for 6 months and this would be reviewed in June 2013. The proposition was agreed.</b> The reasons for ceasing were centred on the difficulties that loose leaf inserts were giving the delivery teams. It was also noted that many of the flyers were from organisations that already advertised within the magazine. Concern was expressed that the loss of the facility to have a single sheet flyer delivered to all properties in Buckden via the Roundabout would be missed by the Council and other non-business groups.	
(2012-13) 77	<b>Items for report only</b> The Clerk reported that he had received complaints that parking in Church Street by the pedestrian refuge was causing vehicles to pass on the wrong side of the bollards and that parking with wheels on the footway was obstructing the passage of wheelchair and pushchair users.	
(2012-13) 78	<b>Confidential Business</b> Discussion took place on a draft document received from the Village Hall Trust regarding the setting of rents	

Signed .....

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