BURWELL PARISH COUNCIL

The Jubilee Reading Room

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Chairman: Mr D A Reader Clerk: Mrs Y Rix

Minutes of the meeting of Full Council held on Tuesday 11th February 2014, 7.30 pm in The Jubilee Room, 99 The Causeway, Burwell, Cambridge, CB25 0DU.

Present:-

Derek Reader (Chairman), Laura Barrett, Liz Goodman, Silvia Greenaway, Don Harrison, Gus Jones, Pat Kilbey, Joan Lonsdale, James Perry, Michael Scarff, Heather Sims, Michael Smith, Liz Swift, Fay Whitehouse, Brenda Wilson and Hazel Williams.

One resident was also present.

01.02.14 Apologies:- Apologies for absence had been received from Tim Clay

02.02.14

The following pecuniary interests were declared:-

Declarations of any interests

Joan Lonsdale and Derek Reader 11.02.14 Finance –Payment of Accounts. Liz Goodman and Laura Barrett 05.02.14 Planning Applications – 14/00046/OUM

Sylvia Greenaway 05.02.14 Planning Applications – 14/00067/FUL

known to Councillors:-

03.02.14 Approval of Minutes:- The minutes of the meeting of the Full Council held on Tuesday 28th January 2014

were approved and signed as a true and correct record. Proposed – Laura Barrett, seconded – Sylvia Greenaway

Don Harrison arrived at 7.32 pm

04.02.14

In relation to 12.02.14 Burwell Youth Bus the resident informed Council that

she understood that funding for sessions in Burwell was available

Public Forum:-

until April 2014. She explained that the bus is used by a number of children aged 11 and above and is increasing in popularity. The bus provides a safe environment for this age group and is beneficial to and enjoyed by those attending the sessions. She requested that the Council's financial support for the scheme to continue beyond

April 2014. The resident left at 7.35 pm.

05.02.14

The following Planning Applications were considered:

Planning

Applications:- 14/00046/OUM

County Park Estates Ltd - Former D S Smith Site

Residential development for up to 70 new homes, new business units (Class B1), provision for public open space, alterations to existing vehicular access of Reach Road, new cycle/footpath links to Reach Road and Swaffham Road

Burwell

The majority present considered that the application was not in line with the Burwell Masterplan and that the Council should object to the proposal. The number of dwellings is likely to be in addition to the 350 on the proposed Newmarket Road Site. The proposal does not include any buffer zone between the development and Pauline's Swamp and access to the proposed industrial units is unsuitable. Two letters in objection had been received from neighbouring residents. A vote was taken for objection to the proposal, being out of line with the Burwell Masterplan: In favour of the objection – 10, against -2

Council agreed therefore to object to the proposal.

14/00058/PDR Mr P Goldsmith – 4 Station Gate

Single storey rear extension

No objections

14/00067/FUL Mr L Suttle – 3 Dysons Drove

Single storey side extension

No objections

06.02.14
Decisions
from County
and District
Council:-

No planning decisions had been received from East Cambridgeshire District Council (ECDC)

07.02.14 Action Points Update:- The flooring has now been completed at the Jubilee Reading Room. The Building Inspector has carried out the final check and raised no concerns other than obtaining confirmation from the architect that the automatic door has a facility to open in the event of a power failure. An article on Pauline's Swamp has been included in the recent newsletter. Gus Jones raised concern over the shared access to Pauline's Swamp. Joan Lonsdale confirmed that there is an official footpath sign posted to the Swamp, over which farm vehicles has access to adjoining land. The Tree Policy is being compiled. A proposal for the Basketball area showing costs has now been received from Sovereign, the contents of which will be reviewed.

A request had been received from the school for the use of one of the gritting machines. In return, If agreed by the Head it may be possible for the machine to be stored at the school. Mick Scarff to find out what space is available at the cemetery to store the machines.

08.02.14 Grounds – Weekly Play Area Inspection Reports

Parish Reports :- Weekly inspections of the Play Areas had been carried out with no items in need of attention.

There had been a problem with one of the heaters at the Gardiner Memorial Hall due to a problem with the switchboard. Although it had been possible to fix on this occasion, the board is now obsolete and any further repairs will not be possible. A meeting is due to take place with a Building Surveyor next week to look at a possible survey of the overall work required at the Gardiner Memorial Hall.

Trees/Environment

Notification has been received from ECDC of tree works at the following properties:

27 The Causeway

T1 Sycamore - Fell, T2 Cherry - Fell.

10 Lime Close (TPO)

T1 Sycamore – Crown reduce height by approximately 50%. Reduce spread of crown to shape and balance remainder.

09.02.14 Provision of additional bins for garden waste:-

County and District Matters:-

Notification had been received from ECDC that residents will be able to have an additional bin for garden waste. There will be a charge for the bin of £48.00 per year, which will be reviewed annually. Details to be included in the next newsletter.

10.02.14 The reports listed on the agenda had been circulated to Councillors for information. **Other Reports:**

11.02.14 Notification of settlement details of Public Liability Claim:

Finance:- Notification had been received from the Insurers that the Public Liability Claim

regarding an incident at Spring Close had been closed with no payment having been

made.

Consideration of payments to the following:-

The following payments were approved:

Proposed - Liz Goodman, seconded Gus Jones

Paul Hawes Wayne Reader

Debbie Cawley

Burwell Office Cleaning

Ely Dial a Ride

Andy Martin

Mrs. J Lonsdale

Countryside Services

ESPO

Magpas

Thurton Foundries Ltd

Burwell Cricket Club

Dent Security Systems Limited

PRS for Music

Burwell Computers

East Cambridgeshire District Council

Salaries, Wages etc.

Return of Deposits - Gardiner Memorial

Hall/Mandeville Hall/Allotments

12.02.14 Burwell Youth Bus

Corres
Pondence:-

An email and letter had been received from parents asking for the Council to financially support the Youth Bus after April 2014. There has been no request made from connections for further funding. It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Connections regarding their plans for the next year. Recent sessions have been cancelled due to staff illness.

Proposed Burwell Beer Run

A request had been made from a resident for permission to hold a Beer Run in the village. The resident does not need to obtain permission from the Council to hold the event. The Clerk was asked to explain this to the resident and express the need to obtain permission from Highways, Police and to hold adequate insurance cover for the event.

13.02.14 Ely and Soham Dial a Ride

Following the request from Soham and Ely Dial a Ride for support against proposed County Council cuts to funding and subsidies for concessionary fares, information had been obtained showing that all users of the fortnightly trips to Ely were entitled to a concessionary fare. If subsidies are stopped there is likely to be a fall in numbers using the service. This will increase the level of financial support made by the Council. Council agreed that a letter should be sent to the County Council objecting to any cuts.

14.02.14 The Causeway:-

Jim Perry raised concern over the current condition of the verge along the Causeway which is a hazard due to the mud. Council agreed that a site meeting should be arranged with the Highways Supervisor to assess the situation and possible solutions.

Derek Reader thanked the Council for their support during his recent bereavement.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed this day of 2014 _____

Chairman