

BURWELL PARISH COUNCIL
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Minutes of the meeting of Burwell Parish Council held in The Jubilee Room, 99 The Causeway, Burwell, Cambridge, CB25 0DU at 7.30p.m. on Tuesday 25th August 2015.

Present:- Joan Lonsdale (Chair), Robin Dyos, Sylvia Greenaway, Jane Hall, Don Harrison, Gus Jones, Joe Parker, Jim Perry, Derek Reader, Gordon Roach, Michael Smith Liz Swift, Mike Swift, Paul Webb and Brenda Wilson.
District and County Councillor David Brown.
Peter Lancaster and Mark Hylton – Burwell Carnival Committee
Toni Hylton – Cheffins
1 no. resident

14.08.15 Apologies:- Apologies for absence had been received from Hazel Williams and District Councillors Lavinia Edwards and Michael Allan.

15.08.15 Declarations of any interest known to Councillors:- The following declarations were made:
Mike Swift – Burwell Carnival
Liz Swift – Burwell Carnival
Robin Dyos – Burwell Carnival
Sylvia Greenaway Planning – Land between 17 and 18 The Avenue
Derek Reader – Fencing at Pauline’s Swamp
Paul Webb – Planning – Flynet King William House
Joan Lonsdale – 71 North Street –Felling of Tree

16.08.15 Approval of Minutes:- The minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2015 were approved and signed as a true and correct record
Proposed – Gus Jones, Seconded – Paul Webb

17.08.15 Public Forum:- Mark Hylton and Peter Lancaster, Burwell Carnival Committee explained to the Council that due to the proposed building work at the school, they would be unable to use the school field for the Carnival in 2016 and 2017. They highlighted how the community and village benefits from the Carnival including the distribution of funds to local groups totaling around £50,000 over the last 5 years. They asked if the Parish Council would consider the Carnival being held on the Recreation Ground for the next two years. Members of the Carnival Committee having inspected the Recreation Ground, feel that access issues could be resolved and due to the time of year and strategic siting of heavy vehicles and equipment, will limit any damage to the ground. Any damage that did occur would be made good by them. They also confirmed that they would be sympathetic to the needs of local residents, in a similar manner as in the past to those in the vicinity of the school field. Council agreed that they would consider the request at the next Parish Council meeting.

Toni Hylton from Cheffins informed Council that she was working with Mr Faircliffe, owner of a parcel of land to the rear of Cornfields. Mr Faircliffe is looking to develop the parcel of land for affordable housing, possibly through a Housing Association. As this is an exception site, Parish Council’s support of the application is required prior to a Housing Association agreeing to take on the project. The proposal is for 14 bungalows or one and a half storey properties, which will allow the views of the church to remain. The design and tenure for the site has not yet been agreed. A footpath from the site directly into Isaacson Road is also proposed. The dwellings would be built to ECDC Life Time Standards.

Joan Lonsdale explained that in previous years the Council had not supported further development on this site and expressed that residents may not be happy to see further development on top of the 350 homes proposed for the Newmarket Road Site. Concern was also raised about the properties remaining as affordable in perpetuity. Ways of ensuring this would need to be discussed with any Housing Association taking on the development. Council agreed to consider the request at one of its September meetings.

18.08.15 The following planning applications were considered:

Planning

Applications: **15/00854/FUL Mr. and Mrs C Jones 20 Buntings Path**

Alterations and extension to existing dwelling

NO OBJECTIONS

15/00867/FUL Mr. D Saunders Land between 17 & 18 The Avenue

Proposed erection of a private detached dwelling and associated works

OBJECTION due to effect on street scene, access, overshadowing of adjacent properties and parking. Council noted that the site application notice has not yet been posted in the vicinity of the application site.

15/00675/FUL Mr. G Woodfield 19 Saxon Drive

Erection of new 3 bed detached house

Amendment involving The provision of a block plan detailing trees on site and protection measures

OBJECTION – The Parish Council cannot support this application as the land upon which the proposed dwelling is to be sited contains a covenant restricting the use of the land to an ornamental or vegetable garden.

15/00743/FUL Flynet Kingwilliam House, 6 The Causeway

Demolition of flat-roofed entrance lobby. Erection of new staff room and change of use of office to retail shop (A1)

NO OBJECTION as long as it is a condition of planning consent that all visitors and delivery vehicles for the retail shop park within the curtilage of the property.

14/01007/ESF Red Hill Farm, Cambridge Road, Stretham

Erection of 2 wind turbines, hub height of 75m with height to blade tip of 102 metres, concrete pads for crane use and small sub station

Amendment involving The Submission of a revised Environmental Statement containing new and updated information.

Burwell Parish Council is a consultee due to visibility of the turbines.

NO OBJECTION

15/00526/FUL 28 High Street – Proposed two bay cart lodge with stores

Amendment – Reduction in size of cart lodge.

NO OBJECTIONS

19.08.15 The following planning decisions had been received from the District Council:

Planning

Decisions: **15/00643/FUL Mr. A Grant 27 The Paddocks**

First Floor bedroom extension

APPROVAL

20.08.15 Update on Weirs Drove/Anchor Bridge River Frontage.

Action

Points

Update:-

The Clerk informed Council that she had received confirmation that the County Council was due to mark out the extent of the byway from the top of the river bank.

The County Council has been asked what action they intend to take regarding the obstruction along the byway.

The General Purposes Working Group has started to review the existing Cemetery Regulations and comments received through the consultation. Further work now needs to be carried out to see if the regulations can be amended to address some of the issues raised and provide some flexibility for the bereaved families. Many of the

individuals who had taken part in the consultation had stated that they were impressed with the level of workmanship carried out by the Handyman at the Cemetery. The Clerk was asked to pass these comments on to the Handyman. Gus Jones informed Council that he had looked at and taken measurements of the exit and entrance to the Gardiner Memorial Hall and felt that by swapping these over, along with reducing the wall on the right hand side back to the neighbouring property would improve safety. Council noted his comments. This matter is due to be discussed with the Highways Department in mid-September to see if they can come up with ways that the safety of those exiting the Gardiner Memorial Hall can be improved.

21.08.15
County & District Councillors Reports:
The attached County and District Councillor reports had been circulated to Councillors and was noted by Council.

22.08.15
County & District Matters:
ECDC Licensing Act 2003 – Statement of Licensing Policy – 5 year review consultation and ECDC Gambling Act 2005 – Statement of Principles Consultation
Council agreed following recommendations by the General Purposes Working Group to support the policy changes proposed by ECDC.
Newnham Lane area – Consideration of delivery of flyers regarding traffic access
The Clerk reported that there are just over 30 houses in the area which could be affected by the implication of access restrictions. Consultation flyers or letters could be sent out following discussions with Highways in September. Council noted that the hedge has been cut back by the resident to make the sign visible. However the hedge on the other side of the road has not yet been cut back.
Consideration of further correspondence regarding safety of users, bridge between Burwell and Exning
Council noted the suggestion of possible safety improvements to the Burwell/Exning Bridge. This matter is also due to be discussed with Highways. Working with Exning Parish Council, who are also keen to see improvements made and the proposed new developments in both villages may assist with persuading highways to take some action.
ECDC Tree Works Application to fell a Walnut tree to improve access at 71 North Street subject to a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) E/11/87
The Parish Council has been consulted on an application to fell a tree at 71 North Street which is subject to a Tree Preservation Order. Council agreed that they objected to the tree being removed.
CCC Summer Reading Award Ceremony
An invitation has been received to attend the Summer Reading Award Ceremony on 22nd of September. It was agreed that Joan Lonsdale and Brenda Wilson should attend.

23.08.15
Other Reports:
There were no other reports.

24.08.15
Finance
Council considered the following:
Consideration of quotations for stock fencing at Pauline's Swamp
Despite the Clerk having approached three companies only one quote to replace and repair the stock fencing at Pauline's Swamp had been received. Following discussion, including the suggestion that metal stakes should be used in preference to wooden stakes, Council agreed that the quotation from S R Landscape Services in the sum of £823.30 should be accepted.

25.07.15
Correspondence
There was no correspondence to consider.

26.07.15

To consider the following:

Report from the General Purposes Working Group

Council noted the attached report of the meeting of the General Purposes Working Group including the suggestion of an update being made available on the progress made on the review of the Cemetery and that the laying of the turf had been delayed until September to avoid prolonged dry spells.

The Clerk reported that the urinals at the Gardiner Memorial Hall had caused a flood and that it had been necessary to instruct a plumber to carry out the necessary repair work. One of the toilets is also broken and will need replacing.

Joe Parker informed Council that he was aware that someone had been camping on the Recreation Ground. He also reported that a resident had asked if any progress had been made to the suggestion of having some form of pedestrian crossing point along Ness Road.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.53 pm.

Signed this the _____ day of September 2015 _____
Chairman