

## BURLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**Present via Zoom** Cllr P Daubeney (Chairman), Cllr R Clarke, Cllr N Martin, Cllr P Egerton, Cllr P Russell, Cllr V Johnstone, S Gale (The Clerk), Cllr K Mans (HCC)  
1 member of the public

**Date** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020

**Opened at** 6.30pm Closed at 7.30pm

**Subject** Burley Parish Council Monthly meeting (**HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM**)

The Chairman started the meeting by paying respects to Jane Kendall, who had sadly just passed away and was a previous BPC Councillor.

**1 Public Participation** None

**2 Apologies** Cllr Russell

**3 Declarations of Interest** None

**4 Approval of Minutes of the full BPC meeting held on 14th October 2020** Resolved – Having been previously circulated, the Minutes and Clerk’s report for the last meeting were agreed.

**5 Matters Arising and Clerk’s Report. As shown in the Clerk’s report the balance of the current account on 30th September was £13,255.68. The online payments detailed in the Clerk’s report were approved.** Cllr Egerton confirmed that he has checked the online statements for October.

Fencing Sandy Shoot: NM is in contact with Hampshire Highways.

Noticeboard: the Lengthsman has completed the necessary maintenance and this has been reviewed by a carpenter who agreed nothing further is required.

Fireworks: some noise was heard but complaints have been received.

Remembrance Sunday: approximately 100 members of the public attended and socially distanced. BPC published guidance in advance requesting people did not attend and paid respects after the restricted ceremony; however, it was felt that the event passed safely.

LDDN: RC, PD, PE, KM (HCC) met at LDDN to inspect the building on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Cllr Mans (HCC) has reported back to the Director of Children’s services.

Lengthsman: It was noted that budgeted BPC funds would be needed as planned for further Lengthsman work to the end of the financial year. Cllr Martin gave thanks to Bransgore PC Clerk Edwin for his support in coordinating the Lengthsman in this area and wished him a happy retirement.

**Reports:** Cllr Mans (HCC) reported that COVID rates are levelling off in Hampshire; and in education attendance is generally higher than across the country, reaching normal levels for the time of year.

**6. Broadband update** Cllr Martin reported that a summary of project coordinators in the village has been circulated to Councillors and a total of 318 properties are now registered as interested.

**7. Licensing** None

**8. Emergency Plan Update** It was observed that this second lockdown is different from the first in that people appear to want to collect their own prescriptions to get out in the fresh air and have human contact. There has not been an increase in deliveries. The annual PCSO Christmas lunch will not be able to be held. Members of “Burley Good Neighbours” are being encouraged to cook for one extra person this Christmas and deliver to a neighbour who is alone. **Agreed:** BPC Xmas lunch budget grant will be used for cakes and mince pies. These will be delivered to those that would normally attend the Christmas lunch (**PE**).

**9. Burley Watch – Police liaison** Suspicious activity continues to be reported on the app, keeping members alert and aware. There have been several attempted burglaries and a culprit has now been arrested. It was said that culprits should not be approached by members of the public but reported to the police.

**10. Roads and Traffic Report** Cllr Martin reported that:

- Lengthsman will clear the ditch by the kitchen shop in Ringwood Road, with a digger during November.
- A complaint has been received about the pinch point priority system from a resident requesting their removal. It was agreed this situation would continue to be monitored as there are arguments for and

against the pinch points. It was noted that the volume of traffic has increased in recent years contributing to traffic issues.

- The narrowing of Pound Lane on a bend has been reported as causing issues with walkers and cyclists. A suggestion of white lines to narrow the road and create a more defined area for pedestrians and cyclists has been made by an elector. As this is on a bend it was thought that narrowing the road further may be dangerous. Further suggestions included cutting hedges back as far as possible on the bend and signage to slow the traffic or stating blind bend. (NM)

**11 Planning** Decisions communicated by NFNPA since last report for BPC Meeting

Application No. & Date	Address	Proposal	BPC Recommendation	NFNPA Decision
20/00468	Marl House, Burley Street	Retention of outbuilding	R5 – NPOs to decide	Granted 21.10.20

Applications considered on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2020

NFNPA Application No. & Date	Address	Proposal	Deadline for BPC Response	BPC Recommendation
20/00714	Burley Grange. Mill Lane	Replacement outbuilding	18.11.20	R5 – NPOs to decide

There was a short discussion on local tree policy and the clearing of conifers to restore heathland. Concerns were expressed regarding bats and the number of trees that were seen to be dying or decaying on the recent BPC walk with Alex Howells (FE). Cllr Clarke said the planting of more saplings is needed e.g. Pound Lane.

**12 Urgent Business** It was agreed that Zoom recordings of BPC meetings would be kept until the minutes are agreed plus one month or that it could be agreed that a recording would be deleted at the time the minutes are agreed, as written minutes remain the official record of a meeting.

Christmas Carols – talks with the Church remain ongoing about whether a feasible socially distanced alternative to the annual carol singing can be planned. This will depend on current COVID restrictions. It was **agreed** that the budgeted grant for the Ringwood & Burley band be paid.

**The meeting closed at 7.30pm Next full meeting of BPC: Wednesday 2nd December at 6.30pm via Zoom.**