

BURLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Draft Minutes to be approved on 13th January 2016

Present Cllr P Daubeney (Chairman), Cllr J Kendall, Cllr K Hall, Cllr R Clarke,
In attendance S Gale (the Clerk), Cllr M Steele (NFDC), Cllr K Mans (HCC)

Also present 2 members of the public

Date Wednesday 2nd December 2015

Opened at 6.30pm **Closed at** 8.35pm

Subject Burley Parish Council Monthly meeting

1 Public Participation A member of the public reported that there is still one loose bar on the cattle grid from Pound Lane to Warnes Lane. The Chairman said this information would be passed to Cllr Martin on his return. The elector thanked Cllr Martin for his communication with Hampshire Highways regarding the problem of a caravan parked on a residential road (See previous minutes); however the problem of parking on the pavement is ongoing.

A member of the public asked what help BPC can give to residents who have no access to superfast broadband. The new cabinet serves just fewer than 600 properties. Just fewer than 200 properties in Burley village have "exchange only" lines which do not go through a cabinet. The elector reported that parts of Ringwood had similar problems and an additional box was put in next to the exchange. Cllr Daubeney said a further 100 properties would be served by the second new cabinet to be sited at Lester Square, however he will speak to Cllr Martin on his return. BPC is keen to continue facilitating the upgrade. Cllr Daubeney added that Burley Street may, in the future, benefit from fibre from Ringwood. Cllr Steele reported hearing an overview from Openreach at NFDC. Cllr Mans said residents won't necessarily get 80Mb unless they pay for it through their provider. Cllr Mans also said that if BT have more than the expected 90% uptake of superfast broadband, any extra money will be put back into the system to provide for more people. A further amount of money has been put in by HCC to increase the coverage from 90-95%. Mr Cody asked Cllr Mans how much money is left in the HCC budget for communications this year; Cllr Mans did not have figures with him but said there are also other funding sources available e.g. the Rural Development Fund. Mr Cody suggested the community should look at alternatives to BT e.g. satellite systems, as other national communities have.

2 Apologies Cllr N Martin, Cllr P Russell

3 Declarations of Interest None

4 Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting Resolved – that the Minutes of the last full Meeting held on 11th November 2015, together with the Clerk's report for that meeting, and the minutes of the Finance meeting on 23rd November, having been previously circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5 Matters Arising and Clerk's Report Cllr Kendall reported that Burley Manor Stables have been given until Autumn 2016 to find new premises, by the owners of Burley Manor Hotel. Cllr Kendall suggested to the owner of the stables business that a lease in writing until Autumn 2016 is obtained.

Cllr Kendall reported that the defibrillator has been replaced by the manufacturer, due to the noise it was making. However there is a potential problem with electrical fitting, which does not affect its function. (JK)

Cllr Hall reported that the surface of the footpath to Burley Street has not yet been cleared. Foliage at Picket Post will be cut back in spring.

Cllr Clarke reported a request for the minutes on the noticeboard to be printed in larger font. (SG)

As shown in the clerk's report the balance of the current account on 30th November was £9101.27. The payments detailed in the clerk's report were approved and the cheques signed. The bank statements were checked and signed by Cllr Clarke. In addition cheques were approved and signed for hall hire at Harry's Room (23rd November) and a donation towards the PSCO Christmas lunch.

6 Approval of Budget and Precept 2016/17 The Chairman reported that as discussed at the Finance Committee meeting on 23rd November the Government central grant has been reduced as expected

Resolved: The precept requested by BPC will increase by 10p per Band D house, to maintain an income of £13649 for 2016-17. (Proposer JK, seconder RC.)

The grants/donations for 2016-17 were agreed by full Council as set out in the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting.

Cllr Clarke suggested that the Precept form be signed in January, in case of any change in circumstances beforehand. (SG)

7 Annual review of Financial Risk Assessment and Asset Register

Resolved: the Risk Assessment and asset register previously circulated were approved signed.

Cllr Kendall said she would ask the Lengthsman to clean the bus shelter and signs around the village (JK)

8 Superfast Broadband update See Public Participation.

9 Report on meeting re HGV parking at Picket Post Cllr Kendall reported on the meeting held on site at Picket Post between Ellingham, Harbridge & Ibsley Parish Council, BPC, Natural England and Highways England. McDonalds have been requested to gather data on the use of the parking area, so that alternative arrangements can be made to the current situation. Cllr Kendall will contact Highways England and McDonalds in mid-January (JK)

10 Correspondence An elector has complained about parents' inconsiderate parking outside of the school. Cllr Kendall contacted PCSO Tracey Cooper who confirmed that nothing more can be done. Cllr Kendall added that NFDC are adding "no waiting, no loading" painting on the road outside of the school entrance.

Cllr Clarke passed a "Survey of rural services in the New Forest" to the clerk to be completed (SG).

11 Young People in Burley Report Cllr Hall will contact YoB regarding attendance at the BPC meeting in January (KH)

12 Roads and Traffic Report None

13 Burley Heritage Report Burley Parish Council has been offered the opportunity to purchase a small area of land, 22metres by 22metres, adjacent to the Burley car park. This site should be suitable for a two storey building large enough for a Heritage Centre and other Parish purposes (such as a Parish office). A price of £15000 has been negotiated, subject to contract, with the Council paying the vendor's sale expenses. At this stage it is estimated that the total purchase cost, including the Council's legal expenses and fencing will be £20,000. The Council has been given an informal three month option on the land starting 1st December 2015. One of the Council's objectives discussed at the Annual Assembly this year refers to the need to find a permanent home for the Burley Living History project i.e. the collected artefacts, films and equipment relating to the history of the village. Purchase of the land would enable this objective to be achieved, subject to meeting the appropriate design requirements and gaining the usual statutory permissions. There are a number of fundamental issues that have to be resolved before consulting with the village, as required by Burley Parish Council's Financial Regulations. The most important one is financing of the project. The land would have to be purchased from financial resources sourced by the Parish Council, possibly the NFNPA and grants from HCC. It is envisaged that the building may be financed in part by the Lottery Commission, probably on a matching finance basis. The Parish Council wishes to explore this project quickly but cannot make a firm commitment to purchase at this stage. Accordingly it was **resolved** (proposer JK, seconder KH) that Burley Parish Council wishes to confirm to the Vendor its interest to purchase the land at a price of £15,000 subject to contract, a financially viable plan, planning permission and after due consultation with the village.

14 Reports on current projects:

i) Play area None

ii) Burley Street noticeboard Cllr Hall reported that she has spoken to Paul Grugeon at the Forestry Commission regarding a noticeboard being placed by the Burley Street bus stop. A site plan and sketch of the proposed noticeboard is required to progress (SG). Cllr Kendall has passed estimates for noticeboards to Cllr Hall.

15 Planning Decisions

The full Council, sitting as the Planning Committee, noted the decisions communicated by NFNPA since the last meeting on 11th November 2015: -

Application No. & Date	Address	Proposal	BPC Recommendation	NFNPA Decision
15/00785 14.10.15	Fallow Fields (formerly	Solar PV Installation of 16 no. frame mounted panels	R2 - Refusal	Granted 23.11.15

	'Wayfarers'), Lyndhurst Road			
15/00778 14.10.15	Burley Manor Hotel, Ringwood Road	Replacement Porch	R5 – No objection	Granted 23.11.15
15/00779 14.10.15	Burley Manor Hotel, Ringwood Road	Replacement Porch; Internal & External Alterations (App. for Listed Building Consent)	R5 – No objection	Granted 23.11.15
15/00798 16.10.15	6, Esdaile Lane	Construction of new single storey extn. & re-roofing existing single storey extn. Demolish existing outbuilding	R5 – No objection	Granted 26.11.15
Post Meeting Note: - Manor Farm Cottage, Forest Road	New dwelling; associated landscaping (demolition of existing outbuildings)	R4 - Refusal	Refused	

Applications considered at BPC Meeting on 2nd December 2015: --

Application No. & Date	Name of Applicant	Address	Proposal	Deadline for BPC Response	BPC Recom- mendation
15/00861 09.11.15	Mr & Mrs Blolw	Bye Cottage, Moorhill Road, Shappen Bottom	Detached Garage with 1 st floor storage (Demolition of existing outbuildings)	14.12.15	R2 - Refusal
15/00851 13.11.15	Mr A Norman	A Coven of Witches, The Cross	Porch	18.12.15	R5 – No Objection

Cllr. Clarke would forward the agreed planning responses to NFNPA by email in the usual way.

16 Reports Cllr Mans reported that Council tax is expected to increase by 2% to cover Social Care from April 2016. He also reported that there is no longer an incentive from government for Councils to keep Council Tax levels static. The final figures are not yet known but Cllr Mans expects Council Tax to increase by 2-4%. Cllr Mans reported that at a recent combined authorities meeting the need for more houses was discussed; more starter homes are expected in the County. Recent Boundary Commission proposals mean that HCC stands to lose a division in the New Forest, with Eastleigh gaining one division. This is based on projected numbers of the population in 2020.

Cllr Steele (NFDC) reported that NFDC have a new CEO, Bob Jackson. NFDC have a new Corporate Plan for 2016-20 including housing and employment. A consultation is currently ongoing regarding mobile libraries.

16 Urgent Business None

The meeting closed at 8.35pm. Date of next meeting will be Wednesday 13th January at 6.30pm in Myrtle Hall.