

# BURGHFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

A meeting of the Parish Council was held at Burghfield Village Hall on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021, commencing at 7.45pm.

**Present:** Mr T Ansell (Chairman), Mrs J Ansell, Mr P Lawrence, Ms A Gallagher, Miss M Cresser, Mr I Morrin, Mr B Neilson, Mr D Godding, Mr C Greaves, Mr D Godwin, Mrs S Awberry, Mrs C Jackson-Doerge

**In Attendance:** Clerk to the Parish Council, no Members of the public were present

**Apologies:** Mr N Morse, Ms L Sharp, Mr I Macfarlane, Dr R Longton

## **Public Participation:**

In accordance with the Public Participation Policy, no written questions had been previously submitted to the Parish Clerk by 12 noon the day before the meeting. The Chairman closed the floor and proceeded with opening the meeting:

### **1.0921 To report, approve and record apologies for absence (and the reasons) from members of the Parish Council**

Apologies for absence were presented and approved from members Cllr N Morse, Cllr L Sharp, Cllr I Morrin

### **2.0921 Declaration of any personal or financial interests**

No declarations were made by members in relation to a personal or financial interest in any specific matter on the agenda for consideration

### **3.0921 Applications for Dispensations**

Request for dispensations were not required or requested by members present.

### **4.0921 To receive a verbal report from the Chairman**

The Chairman advised that he had attended the open evening for the village hall and thanked members for their attendance and assistance in showing people around.

### **5.0921 Questions to the chairman previously submitted in writing**

No questions were previously submitted to the Chairman.

However, following email correspondence, the Chairman provided opportunity to Cllr Awberry to raise any specific question. After much discussion, a request was presented for an item to be placed on the Community committee agenda to determine the responsibility of hirers of the pavilion in relation to the common recreation ground.

### **6.0921 To receive a report from a District Councillor**

No report.

### **7.0921 Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 22 July 2021 be approved as a true and correct record.

### **8.0921 To determine the implementation of the Blossom into Spring Project**

Resolved: That the council partake in the project. The Community committee are to determine the exact location and involvement from local volunteer groups for the planting of the trees. Proposed by Cllr C Greaves, seconded by Cllr D Godding and resolved unanimously.

### **9.0721 To grant permission to the Beavers for a walk through at the Common Allotment site**

Resolved: To grant permission for the Beavers to walk through the Common Allotment site as part of their nature walk. Clarification as to the exact date is to be obtained Proposed by Cllr C Jackson-Doerge, seconded by Cllr P Lawrence and resolved unanimously.

### **10.0721 Financial Matters**

- i) Parish Council Bank Account Reconciliation and accounts for payment as of 31 July & 31 August 2021

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The accounts reconciliation statements for month ending 31 July & 31 August 2021 were noted. Items for payment were noted and as such sums are to be debited to the account of the Parish Council.

ii) Village Hall Bank Account Reconciliation and accounts for payment as of 31 July & 31 August 2021

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iii) To receive the borrowing approval from MHCLG for the Public Works Loan

Members noted the approval notice received for the Public Works Loan.

Resolved: Members resolved unanimously to submit the request for the drawdown of the funds as approved. Proposed by Cllr P Lawrence, seconded by Cllr J Ansell.

**11.0921 To receive a verbal update in relation to the village hall**

Members received a verbal update as to the completion of the refurbishment works at the village hall. The Open Day and Evening had both been very popular with a number of new bookings having been scheduled in the diary. A few minor works remain.

Members confirmed the names of the rooms as following:

***Main Hall, Longton Hall, Hipwell Room, West Wing***

Proposed by Cllr P Lawrence, seconded by Cllr C Jackson-Doerge and resolved unanimously.

**12.0921 To receive brief verbal reports from Parish Council Representatives attending meetings of Outside Bodies to which they have been appointed.**

No report

**13.0921 To request items from Committee Chairman requiring any action by the Communications Committee**

No further items

**14.0921 Matters for Future Discussion**

NDP update, WBC Bus Survey, Communication with WBC

**15.0921 Items for information**

Members were advised of the meeting schedule for the month of September 2021:

Community Committee	-	9 <sup>th</sup> September @ 7.00pm
Governance & Finance Committee	-	16 <sup>th</sup> September @ 6.30pm
Infrastructure Committee	-	16 <sup>th</sup> September @ 7.45pm
Asset Management Committee	-	23 <sup>rd</sup> September @ 7.00pm

**16.0921 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC:**

To resolve, pursuant to section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, that because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and the press leave the meeting during consideration of the following:

**Close of meeting 20.18pm.**