

BUCKLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes

Parish Council Meeting held at Bucklesham Village Hall at 7.00 pm on Thursday, 3rd January 2019

Present

Cllr Ruth Johnson (Chair)
Cllr Rhea Gardner
Cllr Georgina Burgess
Cllr David Riddleston
Cllr David Brinkley
Cllr Evelyn Bloomfield
Mrs A Buggs Clerk
3 members of the public

01.19 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Heather Owen, Cllr Patricia O'Brien Suffolk County Council and Cllr Susan Harvey Suffolk Coastal District Councillor.

02.19 Declaration of interest

No declarations of interest were received.

03.19 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 14th December 2018 were approved as being a true record and signed by the Chairman.

04.19 Matters arising from the minutes

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The Clerk stated she had reported items b. white lining and c. plum hedge cutting to the appropriate authority.

The meeting was adjourned to receive reports from:

Cllr Patricia O'Brien – Suffolk County Council – no report.

Cllr Susan Harvey – Suffolk Coastal District Council – no report.

Cllr Ruth Johnson reconvened the meeting and said that Questions would be taken at the end of the meeting.

05.19 To discuss the walkabout with Hastoe (parcels of land)

Cllr Rhea Gardner gave her report on the walkabout with Hastoe representatives around the village to look at the various options for the siting of the proposed housing development. An official report

will be sent to the Chairman of Bucklesham Parish Council as soon as their findings have been completed. **Action: Cllr Ruth Johnson / Clerk**

06.19 To discuss Orwell Green (Land to the North and South of Bucklesham Road)

Cllr Ruth Johnson reported that Cllr David Brinkley had drafted a letter to Gladman based on the comments from villagers put forward at the Parish Council Meeting on the 14th December. Cllr David Brinkley also stated that the comments collated on the same night from other residents who were not at the meeting had been taken into consideration. Cllr Ruth Johnson reported that a reply had not been received from Hastoe. It was agreed that the Clerk should send a copy of the letter to all councillors. **Action: Clerk**

07.19 Clerk's Report

No report.

08.19 Community Council – Concerns over Future of Community Council

Cllr Ruth Johnson reported on the latest position concerning the statement made by the Community Council trustees that it was their intention to all step down from the management of the Community Council at their Annual General Meeting in March 2019. Cllr Ruth Johnson reported that a notice had been placed in the Bugle by the Community Council asking for residents to come forward to take over the management of the Community Council. Cllr Ruth Johnson explained that it was important for the village to have a Community Council to enable the village to secure grants to improve facilities in the village as the Parish Council is unable to apply for most grants which are available. Councillors agreed that they would individually put themselves forward to form the new committee. Cllr Ruth Johnson reported that although she had asked the Community Council for copies of their Constitution and accounts, she had still been unable to secure copies from the Community Council. The Charity Commission do not hold copies of full accounts for charities with an annual turnover of less than £10,000. The Charity Commission had provided a copy of the Community Council Constitution. The Constitution states that it should be made up of a Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer... and Item 4 (c) states a member of Bucklesham and Foxhall Parish Council should form part of the management committee. As Mike Rogers is no longer a member of the Parish Council, the Parish Council does not currently have a representative on the Community Council. To address this issue Cllr Evelyn Bloomfield proposed, seconded Cllr Georgina Burgess that Cllr Ruth Johnson should be elected as the Parish Council's representative – all in favour. The Clerk was requested to write to the Community Council to this effect and request details of the next meeting. **Action: Clerk / Cllr Ruth Johnson / All Councillors**

09.19 Renovation of the Play Equipment

Cllr Ruth Johnson reported that she had still not received a quotation from Ipswich Borough Council but would contact them again. The Clerk reminded councillors that Ipswich Borough Council should be undertaken the Rospa Inspection for the play equipment. **Action: Cllr Ruth Johnson / Clerk**

10.19 Budget / Precept 2019/2020

Councillors discussed the budget for 2019/2020 which had previously been circulated. The budget was accepted by the Parish Council with the following alteration; election cost to be increased to £800. Taking into account the change to the budget Cllr David Brinkley proposed that the precept be

increased to £8,500.00 for the financial year 2019/2020, seconded Cllr Georgina Burgess – 5 in favour, 1 against. **Action: Clerk**

11.19 Planning

St Mary's Park Development – The builders working at the site have confirmed that they will move the position of the village seat and will cover the cost. **Action: Clerk**

12.19 Finance

Receipts

None

Payments (to be approved this meeting)

Clerk's Salary & Expenses December 2018 (excluding tax)	£200.00
HMRC Tax Payment AJBuggs	£150.00
Norse Commercial Grass Cutting	£88.20
Cllr Heather Owen – Ink Jet Cartridges	£56.89
Print4You – Bugle Printing	£142.00

Bank Balances

Current Account	£4,561.85
Deposit Account	£4,513.37

Cllr Evelyn Bloomfield proposed, seconded Cllr David Riddleston that the above expenditure should be approved – all in favour. **Action: Clerk**

13.19 General Matters

- a. Cllr David Brinkley gave his report on the Innocence Lane Working Party comprising of local neighbouring Parish Councils. He said that the next meeting will be held on the 17th June 2019.
Action: Cllr David Brinkley

14.19 Date of next meeting

Thursday, 7th March 2019

The Chairman closed the meeting at 07.56 pm.

Question Time

1. A member of the public reported that he had collected details of lorries which are using Nacton Lane where access is prohibited for lorries. A copy of the details was given to the Chairman of the Parish Council. It was noted that most of the details were of Tippas R Us lorries. **Action: Chairman**
2. A member of the public asked for verification of discussions which took place during the meeting relating to the proposed Hastoe development which the Chairman answered.

Signed..... Date

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