

## **BURBAGE PARISH COUNCIL**

The Minutes of a meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2009.

### **Those present**

J Powell T Parmenter F Jeffrey M Hamer C Wheeler  
G Terry M Bird B Wheeler N Venters S Gray C C R Hall District Councillor S Wheeler

### **Apologies**

P Burt,

Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2009 were signed and approved.

### **Matters Arising**

The Council considered the application from Mr K Copp to fill the vacancy on the Council. After a short discussion and Councillors had studied Mr Cops' CV, Mr Copp was invited to join the Parish Council.

Regarding the BMX cycle track. We have received a letter from Carter Jonas informing us they had put our request to their clients and would report back. We have also received a letter from Allianz Insurance who said we would be covered under our existing policy subject to us conforming to strict regulations. We will await the answer from Carter Jonas before taking the matter further.

M Hamer gave an account of his meeting with other Parish Councils concerning Unity and our desire to be aligned to Pewsey rather than Marlborough. The meeting proved to be a lively discussion and the majority elected to go with Pewsey. S Wheeler spoke of his meeting with S Milton and impression gained that our application may be viewed favourably. Brig R Hall gave details of meeting with S Milton and announced that voting showed 83.8 and 87.1% were in favour of move to Pewsey.

Thanks are recorded to M Hamer for organising these meetings which were appreciated by other Parishes and a suggestion was put forward that further meetings during the year should take place.

### **Recreation Ground**

It was reported that a lot of broken glass was found in the recreation ground play area near the slides and other equipment. It would be appreciated if any resident spotted this would they please pick it up and put in bin. THE COUNCIL WOULD POINT OUT THAT BROKEN GLASS IS DANGEROUS AND SMALL CHILDREN COULD BE VERY BADLY INJURED. PLEASE DO NOT CAUSE A PROBLEM.

### **Village Hall**

The band concert and pick nick event had raised over £300. 80 people attended  
The trustees have now got all the land ownership documents. The next committee meeting is on the 18<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Planning Matters**

The chairman and the clerk had attended a meeting regarding future planning and planning information. We were told that in future all information would be on line and no hard copies

available. This caused great concern at the meeting. We were all urged to write to the chief executive and also the leading of the Council to express our deep concern.

E/09/0016/TCA      38 Eastcourt    The felling of 6 conifers. No objection.  
Kennet D C granted planning permission for the following.  
K/59954/TR2      removal of conifer tree  
K/59807/F          2 Long Drove.      Replacement porch

### **Finance Matters**

To approve the following cheques

900228.	D V Sawyer	Clerks salary.	£200.00
900229	D V Sawyer	Postage/ travelling expenses.	£8.04
900230	J Acheson	Newsletter expenses.	£42.00

### **Correspondence**

The Draft Handbook for Wiltshire Area Boards had been received. M Hamer had made several observations.

Application for Best Kept Village has been received and it was agreed we should try again.

### **Public Forum**

None

### **Any Other Business**

J Acheson reported on a meeting with Mr Godfrey Brew concerning the Martingale problem with Seewards and the handover of the responsibility to Kennet and our promised £6000.

Godfrey is taking this up on behalf of the Parish Council and will report back.

The Parish Council would like to thank the proprietors of Londis for their services during the past weeks and their helpfulness and cheerfulness to all.

There is to be a village litter pick up on Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup>. 10.00am Village Hall car park. Complaints had been received from residents that the condition of the road and pathway along the Sprays was dangerous and impassable. The clerk to write to Mr G Battern of Wiltshire County Council to register the strongest complaint that nothing had been done along this important road.

**The next meeting will be on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2009.**