

BUCKDEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Buckden Parish Council Meeting held on 14th June 2011 at the Buckden Millennium Community Centre at 7.45pm

Present:

Councillor Mrs Shirley (Chairman)

Councillors: Clough, Day,
 Goodger, Holden,
 Hunstone, MacAndrew,
 Richardson, Mrs Barrett,
 Mrs Woods, Mrs Tewson and
 Mrs Millard,

and County Councillor Richard West
 John Chase (Parish Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

(2011-12) 18	Apologies Apologies were received from Councillor Hayward	
(2011-12) 19	Declaration of Interest No declarations were made.	
(2011-12) 20	Minutes 20.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 10 th May were agreed and signed. 20.2 Action arising from meeting 10 th May. 100.2 The Clerk had spoken to the Highways Agency at the recent A1 safety meeting and there had been passed his information regarding mirrors and a response was still awaited. It was suggested that if nothing was confirmed by the Autumn the Parish Council should go ahead and provide the mirrors. 132.1 The Bank Account application would go off to the Co-op bank as soon as specimen signatures had been collected. 140.1 A meeting had been held. 9.3 Review of insurance cover. - Ongoing	Clerk
(2011-12) 21	County and District Councillors Reports County Councillor Richard West thanked the Parish Council for its continuing efforts on the Library. He also reported that the guided bus way would be opening in August and he hoped that in the longer term this would lead to better services on other routes as the operators recouped their losses. District Councillor Clough on recent personnel and organisational changes at Huntingdonshire District Council.	
(2011-12) 22	Finance 22.1 Monthly reports were presented to the meeting. 22.2 Cllr Hunstone proposed and Cllr Mrs Millard seconded the payments for sanction and they were agreed unanimously. 22.3 It was reported that the cost of the allotments over the last 12 months had risen sharply as a result of increased water usage. It was proposed by Cllr Hunstone and seconded by Councillor Day that the annual rent be increased to £15:00 per plot. It was agreed unanimously. 22.4 It was proposed by Cllr Hunstone and seconded by Councillor Day that the annual prizes for the best kept allotment competition should remain at £50:00. It was agreed unanimously.	

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(2011-12) 23	Committees and Working Groups Members were allocated to the various Committees and working groups. An up to date list appears on the notice boards and website.	
(2011-12) 24	Planning 24.1 A report was given on the meeting held on 14 th June. 24.2 The next meeting would be held on 28 th June, if required.	
(2011-12) 25	General Purposes. 25.1 It was reported that a meeting had been arranged with the Christmas lights contractor and that the contractor who resurfaced the footpath in the valley had been asked to rectify the cracking that had occurred. 25.2 The next meeting would be held on 28 th June.	
(2011-12) 26	Footpaths/Trees 26.1 It was reported that a fence had been erected alongside FP 2 to separate it for the recently built farm track. 26.2 The Clerk reported that an application had been received to lower the height of a protected tree at 43 Church Street.	
(2011-12) 27	Buckden Library Working Group 27.1 The report of the recent meeting with Cambridgeshire County Council was discussed and it was agreed that the residents should be consulted via a questionnaire delivered with the July edition of the Roundabout. The working group would meet on 16 th June to compile the questionnaire	
(2011-12) 28	Quality Council 28.1 It was reported that the website was now live. 28.2 It was agreed to ask the Chairman of the Parish Plan steering group to address the next Parish Council meeting. 28.3 The next meeting would be held on 28 th June.	
(2011-12) 29	Highways and Road Safety. 29.1 The Clerk had spoken to Carillion and they were aware of the problem on the slip road into Silver Street and the white lining will be renewed. At the same time a formal request was made for a give way sign to be provided. This would be considered and would take some time before a decision was made. 29.2 A meeting would be held on 28 th June	
(2011-12) 30	Parish Assembly 30.1 It was proposed by Cllr MacAndrew and seconded by Cllr Mrs Millard and unanimously agreed to change the name to Annual Parish Meeting to bring it in line with legislation. 30.2 The date for next years meeting was agreed as 24 th May 2012 at 7pm.	
(2011-12) 31	Co-option of New Parish Councillors. 31.1 Dave Griffin was co-opted on to the Parish Council	

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<p>(2011-12) 32</p>	<p>General Correspondence 32.1 Buckden Landfill Site It was agreed to invite a representative from WRG to the July meeting to talk about the planned changes in operating hours and to publicise this in the July edition of the Roundabout</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
<p>(2011-12) 33</p>	<p>Items for report. All present were reminded of the forthcoming AGM of the Village Hall Trust.</p>	
<p>(2011-12) 34</p>	<p>Confidential Business Proposals form VHT on New Tennis Club Lease 34.1 Cllr Hunstone expressed his opinion that this should have been discussed in the open meeting. 34.2 After discussion it was agreed to arrange a meeting with the VHT to clarify the present position. The Council would be represented by Cllrs Mrs Shirley, Mrs Tewson and Cllr. Hunstone.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>

Signed

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