

Bucknell Parish Council Meeting

13 Jan 2020

MINUTES

Present at the meeting

Cllr Chris Wells (CW), Cllr Neil Wainman (NW), Cllr Derek Hedges (DH), Cllr Lee Peck (LP)

In attendance

Sue Mackrell (clerk)

3 members of the public

Matters brought up by Members of the public:

- a) Help was requested to level the land by the bus stop. Cllr Peck volunteered and Cllr Hedges offered the use of his mini digger.
- b) The Bucknell sign on the Middleton Road is falling down, and the sign on the B4100 pointing to Bucknell has been knocked down. Both have been reported to OCC Highways and will be replaced as soon as possible. Concerns about the speed limit on the B4100 were raised again. OCC to be contacted. **ACTION SM**
- c) Enquiries have been made about the installation of broadband in the village hall. A 67MB connection will cost £24-99 per month for a 24 month contract with a one off fee of £9.99. This would benefit any other users of the hall.
RESOLVED to fund 50% of the costs with the Village hall going forward. Mr Kightley will move the project forward.
- d) Reports of anti-social behaviour and possibly County Lines grooming are alleged to be happening in Bucknell. The local Community Police Officer has been made aware. Cllr Wells will talk to the local secondary school and seek advice.

1. **RESOLVED** to note apologies from Cllr Parsons, Cllr Bowden, Cllr Stratford and Cllr Corkin.

2. **RESOLVED** that no Declarations of Interest were received.

3. **RESOLVED** to accept the minutes of the meeting held in Nov 2019.

4. Matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere on the agenda:

- a) No progress on receiving a response from CDC regarding the lack of communication on explanations of approving planning applications when BPC are resolutely opposed. Talk to Cllr Corkin for advice. **ACTION SM**

5. **RESOLVED** to note the report sent via email by Cllr Corkin:

- *The Dorchester masterplan moves ever closer, with all of the associated implications for local traffic and remodelling of jnc10.*
- *The Gt Wolf application is in and I would encourage all parishes to engage with the process*
- *We have the next meeting of the Viridor liaison meeting later this month.*
- *I have issues with Thames Water across my division and intend to meet with them soon. Happy to add Bucknell's issues to the agenda. I have had another resident complaint so perhaps we can discuss at the liaison meeting?*

6. Landscaping Issues:

No further information regarding fencing the triangle patch to prevent parking.

7. Standing agenda items:

- a) Thames Water and village flood water. No updates from Cllr Bowden. However, there have been 2 emergencies since last meeting. 'Gel' matter has been seen in the sewers. Suggested that this is analysed. Cllr Wells will provide sterile pots to capture the material.
The high water table by Manor View is a problem now that there is no land drainage for those properties. A long term plan is needed.
- b) Ardley EFW Facility. Jasper has done a lot of research recently and has asked to do a presentation to present his findings to the Viridor Liaison group and to the Parrish Council. Cllr Wainman will arrange dates etc. **ACTION NW**
The next liaison meeting is on January 24th 2020.
- c) Traffic Calming. Cllr Parsons has sent an update to outline the results of his recent meeting with OCC officers. Cllr Hedges suggest creating a Working Party to further the issues, comprising of parish councillors, residents and Cllr Stratford. Cllrs Wells and Peck will lead this and report back to the PC meeting. **ACTION CW and LP**
Cllr Parsons to chase up David Catling re the lining of roads. **ACTION AP**
- d) Trigger Pond parking. Response to the letter has been received from Wadworths. They are pursuing the possibility of leasing the overspill land. Cllr Parsons to chase this up with Gareth Webb for progress. **ACTION AP**

8. Planning:

The application for the restoration of the Ardley EFW site is in and very complex. It is running behind schedule due to the delay in stopping the landfill operation. Cllrs Wainman and Hedges will continue to work through it and come up with responses. A request to Viridor to present their plans to the Parish Council will be made at the next liaison meeting. Cllr Wainman appealed to the other councillors to respond to his emails so that SM can lodge any comments to CDC with a group agreement. **ACTION NW and DH**

9. Finance:

- a) **RESOLVED** to note no payments made between meeting.
- b) **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments:
- i) Mrs S Mackrell £326.56 Clerk salary
- c) **RESOLVED** to note Bank balances as at 22 Nov 2019:
- a) Community Acc £16,513.76
 - b) Savings Acc £1,333.17
- d) **RESOLVED** to approve a request of £5545.00 precept from CDC, the same as last year.

10. Parish Council Vacancy – The prospective candidate that attended last meeting has not yet committed. Cllr Hedges will follow up. **ACTION DH**

11. VE Day Anniversary plans- An open meeting has been held and a rough programme has been formed comprising of an event in the Playing Field on the Friday- Fancy Dress, children's races, maypole dancing, bake off, Morris dancing, etc. A street party would follow in the village hall. Lighting of a beacon. The Sunday will have a church service, bell ringing and refreshments. It is known that CDC has waived fees for road closures.
RESOLVED to contribute £250 to the occasion, to be reviewed if necessary.
12. Wolf Development – Plans now in at CDC. Planning Application number 19/02550/F.
RESOLVED to keep a watching brief.
13. Correspondence
 - i) **RESOLVED** to note the OALC update

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - MONDAY March 9 2020