Minutes of the Buxton with Lamas Full Parish Council Meeting held in Buxton Village Hall on Monday 25th November 2019 at 7.30pm

PRESENT

Councillors:

Mr Riley Mrs Powell Mr Shaw

Mrs Charmley Mr Battle

Also in attendance:

2 members of the public

Cllr Lawrence

Cllr Harrison

Clerk to the Council: Laura Apps-Green

19/80 WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –There were apologies for absence given for Mrs Dimsey, Rev Goodman, Mrs Nichols and Mrs Kammoun.

19/81 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – Mrs Powell reference Buxton Village Hall.

19/82 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th October were previously circulated, with a couple of typos corrected they were agreed and signed as a true and correct record.

19/83 MATTERS ARISING – Balay park ramp to toilet and potholes in carpark and Highways issues with officer for the area not responding to work requests in the ward.

19/84 ADJOURNMENT - None

19/85 REPORTS

Cllr Harrison confirmed that very little is happening at NCC due to being in a period of purdah. Mr Riley asked about a debate that was taking place in NCC. This was around cross-party support for the NCC Environmental Programme. While there was cross party support it fell short of declaring a climate emergency. The Liberal Democrats have put forward a motion regarding a Public Health committee in order to deal with the ongoing problems around health.

Cllr Lawrence talked more on the motion to declare a climate emergency. She has been working with colleagues to change an environment panel into a committee in order for them to have the power to make decisions on relevant issues and increase public participation and engagement on the policies. Leaving rough grass areas to help with biodiversity does not go far enough. This motion was voted down unfortunately. Cllr Lawrence said that there will be changes at the recycling centre and will write up information on this and the Clerk will put this information on the PC website.

The parish is also encouraged to apply for ward funding from the small pot of funding she holds. Clerk to also put these details on the website.

Cllr Lawrence will be judging the Christmas lights in Frettenham soon.

There are also discussions taking place on potential waste contract changes at Broadland District Council. Things have not yet been agreed and there is a period of consultation around this taking place and being monitored by Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

19/86 PLANNING

Greater Norwich Local Plan – Clerk informed council that the next stage should be consulted on in January 2020.

Land off Lion Road – Mr Riley updated council on the meeting which took place with Nigel Harriss of BDC in October. The meeting was called specifically to look at the access to the bungalow off Aylsham road which it was not supposed to be accessed from. Mr Harriss agreed to go away and look at the seemingly unenforceable requirements put on planning applications and get back to the PC on this matter.

Neighbourhood plan Steering group – The committee have been making good progress and a meeting is planned for Monday 2nd December.

Planning Applications –

The Mayton quarry application has been agreed. Mrs Charmley requested that care and consideration is given to any tree planting in the area so that the sight line of the junction on to Coltishall road is not blocked by trees.

19/87 FINANCE

Bank reconciliation – for October had been given to the Scrutineer prior to the meeting, it has been agreed as correct and will be given to the Clerk in due course.

Receipts and payments schedule – payment schedule was tabled and agreed by members as follows: These payments were made in advance of the meeting because they would have been overdue otherwise.

Cheque	Name	Description	Amount
22981	National Allotment Society	Allotment insurance	£9
22982	Buxton PCC	Annual contribution	£2,600
22983	Lamas PCC	Annual contribution	£800
22984	Norse	Verge cutting	£211
22985	Norfolk Cleaning Ltd	Cleaning Balay	£144
22986	Poppy Appeal	Lammas wreath	£17
22987	Barnwells	Round	£252
22988	Starboard systems Ltd	Accounts package	£340
22989 /	HMRC, Laura Apps-Green,	Tax, pension, Nov pay,	£1,057
22990 /	Norfolk Pension Fund	mileage, phone	
22991 /			
22992			
		Total	5,430

Draft Budget for 2020/2021 – Clerk issued everyone with a draft of the budget for the forthcoming year. There was a £10 increase suggested as the precept demand. Mr Riley requested that a £10 amendment be made to bring the precept request in line with the request made the previous year. Final decision to be made in the January meeting.

19/88 HIGHWAYS (and FOOTPATHS) RIVERS & VILLAGE MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Scout request for financial assistance towards road signs – The request for assistance with the retrospective funding of safety road signs for the remembrance parade was discussed. Two options were agreed and the Clerk will write to the Scouts offering them the following choices:

- A) The PC pays the whole cost of the signs and they become a whole village resource, owned by the PC, but stored by the Scouts and available for any groups in the village to use as requested
- B) The PC pays for 50% of the signs and they remain in the ownership of the Scouts but village groups can borrow them if needed and as requested.

Dangers of swimming at the Mill pond – N/A

Buxton village hall play area – The quote for the maintenance work has been received and is around £10,000 in total. A lot more money than expected. It is proving very hard to find a company that can do the work. The PC have given the VH £3,200 to go towards the cost of maintenance and have planned to give another £2,000 in the next financial year. The RoSPA inspection rightly pointed out areas that will need to be looked at in the play area, but there were no "high risk" items. Mr Riley suggested that he helps the village hall management committee try one more time to find a more reasonable price and quote for the work and if that does not work Mr Riley suggested a team of volunteers coming in to do the work and self-certificating the work. The PC agreed to this approach.

SAM 2/Speed Watch – Mr Shaw reported on the vehicle movement record from the SAM 2 camera and will continue to collate this information. Mr Riley raised the issue of speeding on the main road near to Badersfield

and asked if Speed Watch could help. Mr Shaw informed council that the volunteer group has disbanded and the equipment is being handed back to Janet Overton next week.

Traffic Calming in village – Clerk trying to get quotes and advice from Ben Rayner of NCC Highways but so far has not had a reply. Cllr Harrison advised going to Ben Rayner's boss on this ongoing issue.

Broken Boundary at Balay park – Clerk has inspected the area and there seems to be no breach at this time. Clerk suggested that some more hedge plants might be needed in some areas to thicken out the hedge.

To receive reports on highway matters – Clerk shall continue to raise the ongoing issue with Ben Rayner of NCC Highways.

19/89 BALAY PARK

Balay Park ramp to toilet – Clerk has measured up and is trying to get quotes for both fixed and removable ramps to the toilet. The PC needs to then think about the cost invested in a temporary building.

The Clerk also informed the PC that the potholes have opened up again on the carpark and need filling. Clerk has contacted Garden Guardian in this regard and is waiting for a quote. PC agreed to allowing the Clerk to go ahead with this work because it is necessary.

19/90 COOPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS

Mrs Warren attended the meeting. She addressed the Council giving information about herself and stated that she would like to be co-opted on to the PC. All were in favour and Mrs Warren was invited to take a seat at the table.

Clerk was asked to contact Mrs Dimsey to see if she is ok and check her intentions regarding the PC.

19/91 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED – Mr Shaw attended the SNAP meeting but it was very unorganised and no police personnel attended. It was stated that the SNAP meetings should not be politicised.

19/92 LATE CORRESPONDENCE & AGENDA ITEMS - None

19/93 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING – There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:18pm.