

**Minutes of the Buxton with Lamas Full Parish Council Meeting
held in Buxton Village Hall on Monday 9th March 2020 at 7.30pm**

PRESENT

Councillors:

Mr Riley	Mr Shaw	Mrs Nichols	Mrs Kammoun
Mrs Charmley	Mrs Dimsey	Rev Goodman	Mrs Powell

Also in attendance:

7 members of the public
Annie Sommazzi – Guest Speaker
Cllr Lawrence
Cllr Harrison
Clerk to the Council: Laura Apps-Green

19/121 WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – There were apologies for absence given for Mr Battle and Mrs Warren.

19/122 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – Mrs Powell and Mrs Nicholls reference Buxton Village Hall.

19/123 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th February 2020 were previously circulated, and were agreed and signed as a true and correct record.

19/124 MATTERS ARISING – Clerk raised an issue with the contract that was agreed between the PC and the football club at the February meeting, with reference to extra grass cutting. The football club wanted it altered to state that the extra cuts can be for both adult and junior fixtures. Whilst this was not what was originally requested, the PC have agreed with the following conditions:

- Can only be cut by the company agreed upon and that we hold the insurance details for
- All financial implications are with the football club
- There will be no reduction in the rent charged to the football club
- The PC will continue with their contactor for the whole site, any cut the football club has done is over and above

19/125 ADJOURNMENT – Mr Curtis from the Neighbourhood Plan committee attended and updated the council on progress:

1. The committee have drawn up a 35-page draft plan and have had feedback from the district council on this document.
2. The committee want to go back to the community with the draft document.
3. Next step is to secure funding and hire a consultant to finish the project

It was agreed to hold an extraordinary meeting to go through the document with the PC on Monday 30th March.

19/126 GUEST SPEAKER

Annie Sommazzi from NCC attended to talk about the programme of works to the Ash trees being felled and managed along the Bure Valley railway line. She explained that health and safety assessments have been carried out along the line and that there is currently a break and things will be reassessed next year. There is a felling licence in place for the next 5 years. There is currently no plan to restock along the railway line, they will see what grows from the seed bed. There is a feeling that eventually all the trees affected by the disease will need removing.

NCC recognise the importance of this green corridor and want to look after it. It is not a designated public right of way.

19/126 REPORTS

Cllr Lawrence reported on the following:

- There will be a new cllr grant pot pf £500 in the next financial year, which anyone in the community can apply for
- There is to be a 3.6% council tax rise – The Liberal Democrats did not support this motion. BDC is sitting on 12 million in cash reserves. It is not understood why the council has built up such huge reserves, as they do not provide any leisure facilities
- There is an increase in the councillor allowance to bring them in line with other district councillors and this will be back dated to May 2019

Cllr Harrison reported the following:

- Adult Education received a good OFSTED report – Wensum Lodge is being refurbished
- There is likely to be total reform of local authorities, perhaps looking at a Unitary Authority for Norfolk

19/127 PLANNING

Greater Norwich Local Plan – Consultation is currently open

Land off Lion Road – Nothing to report

Neighbourhood plan Steering group – As above in the adjournment

Planning Applications – None

19/128 FINANCE

Bank reconciliation – for February had been signed by the Scrutineer prior to the meeting, it has been agreed as correct and signed.

Receipts and payments schedule – payment schedule was tabled and agreed by members as follows:

Cheque	Name	Description	Amount
23022	NSALG	Balay Park Allotment membership	£36.00
23023	Norfolk Cleaning Ltd	Cleaning Balay	£96
23024	Mr Claridge	Bin at Mill	£200
23025	Anglia Water	Bill	£6
23026	Barnwells Ltd	Round	£252
23027 /	Laura Apps-Green,	Mileage, phone, postage,	£1,059
23028 /	HMRC, Norfolk Pension,	Balay park sundries, Tax payment,	
23029 /		pension, March pay	
23030			
Total			£1,650.26

19/129 HIGHWAYS (and FOOTPATHS) RIVERS & VILLAGE MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Dangers of swimming at the Mill pond and Anti-social behaviour: Nothing to report

Buxton village hall play area – Clerk reported that 3 of the play providers approached have sent in their quotes for the work, still waiting for another. The working group will go through these and recommend a preferred supplier to full council. Clerk is going to check with the funder if we can apply for funding before going through the tendering process. If so, it was agreed that the Clerk will submit the funding application by Friday 13th March, this quarter's deadline. Clerk is conducting a survey at the school on the feeling of the young people towards the play area now and what they think about plans to have a new play area.

Up coming training on play area inspections – This was planned for the 14th March. *Update – This was cancelled due to the current worldwide health crisis.

SAM 2 and Traffic Calming – Mr Shaw gave an update on these findings. Mr Shaw also gave a report on ideas for potential highways traffic calming measures. These ideas were circulated for consideration by the

rest of the council. Clerk to double check the status of the Parish Partnership funding. Clerk asked to forward on Mr Shaw's ideas on pinch points, this could be linked to the NP.

Traffic calming measures to be put on the April agenda.

Request for an outdoor gym - PC discussed this request, which has been looked at in detail in the past. It was felt that this would not be good value for money in an area with such a small population. The PC are focusing on providing a new play area for young people at the moment. The PC will review this in a years' time when there may be more capacity to take on another project.

To receive reports on highway matters –

- The Bus stop is structurally sound but does need a rub down and a new coat of paint. Clerk to look into quotes for this to be done.
- There is broken tarmac around the drain opposite Feoffee cottages.
- Drain under the bridge on Mill street needs clearing.
- It has been requested that the shrubs beside the bus stop should be removed, all to take a look before the April meeting to agree options and talk to Highways.

19/130 BALAY PARK

Issues with small storage unit – Clerk presented quotes for cleaning out the storage unit and having it removed. All AGREED that it should be cleaned out and removed. Clerk, Chair and Mr Shaw to meet to firstly remove the fence panel stored in the unit. Clerk to arrange a Round article stating why the unit is being moved.

Balay Park ramp to toilet – Moved to April meeting

Canoe man request – To hire Balay park carpark and use the toilet for their customers from April to October (around 15 weekends). All AGREED to this request. Clerk to arrange getting keys cut. The charge will be the cost of getting the keys cut and £100 annually. Hire agreement contract needs to be signed.

Car park at Balay – Moved to April meeting

[Standing orders extended]

19/131 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED – None

19/119 LATE CORRESPONDENCE & AGENDA ITEMS – None

19/120 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING – There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:41pm.