Minutes of the Buxton with Lamas Full Parish Council Meeting held in public on-line via Zoom on Monday 12th October at 7.30pm

PRESENT

Councillors:

Mrs Nichols Mr Battle Mrs Kammoun (From 8:30pm)

Mrs Charmley Rev Goodman Mrs Dimsey

Also in attendance:

Cllr Lawrence

Cllr Harrison

6 members of the public

Clerk to the Council: Laura Apps-Green

20/58 WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – There were apologies for absence given for Mr Shaw, Mrs Powell, Mr Riley and Mrs Warren. Mrs Kammoun would be joining the meeting later.

20/59 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – Mrs Nichols reference Buxton Village Hall.

20/60 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th September 2020 were previously circulated. With some minor corrections, the Chair agreed to sign them and scan a copy to the Clerk due to the current health crisis and no contact being allowed.

20/61 MATTERS ARISING – In the absence of Mr Shaw the Chair moved the traffic calming agenda item to the November meeting.

20/62 ADJOURNMENT -

A resident asked about the outcome of Cllr Harrison's meeting with Highways to discuss the issues of traffic in the village.

20/63 REPORTS

Cllr Lawrence reported on the following:

- The live recordings of the Broadland District Council meetings would be available to the public on line for 12 months. This is as a result of Cllr Riley and a member of the Conservative party bringing this forward as policy and it being agreed by BDC.
- There was a meeting with stakeholders and residents regarding the footpath along the railway line
 and the use of chemicals on the path. They want more community participation in its management
 and surveys of the pathway conducted to identify how it is best managed. The PC's previous letter
 requesting more trees be planted along the line will be sent again to NCC.
- Buxton village hall has benefited from the BDC Covid help grant and purchased new comfortable chairs. Another group that has received a £300 grant is the Rainbows in Frettenham. All groups needing funds are encouraged to apply for a grant.

Cllr Harrison reported on the following:

- The NCC building is currently undergoing refurbishment to make it COVID secure and install air conditioning
- SEN OFSTED received a bad rating and much work is needed to bring it up to the required standard
- Cllr Harrision is exasperated with not being able to get anywhere with Highway improvements and is thinking of ways he can make them listen to the needs of his community
- On the issue of traffic in Lamas, Cllr Harrison asked Ben Rayner at Highways about installing a 20MPH zone and he was told this would not happen. It is unclear as to why this was a no.

[Kandi entered meeting 8:30]

20/64 PLANNING

Greater Norwich Local Plan – Nothing to report

Land off Lion Road – Chair requested that this item is removed from the agenda for the time being

Neighbourhood plan Steering group – Nothing to report

Planning Applications –

- Gullane House Fencing and greenhouse. After discussions and the clerk sharing the application via screen share on Zoom, all 5 councillors present AGREED with the planning application
- Street Naming Sunnymead This was discussed and it was felt that it is not a road and more a
 drive. The following ideas were suggested: Chestnut Drive or Beech Drive

20/65 FINANCE

Bank reconciliation – August and September bank reconciliations have been given to the Scrutineer and awaiting approval.

Receipts and payments schedule – payments made or pending were presented:

Cheque	Name	Description	Amount
BACS	Norfolk Cleaning Group	Cleaning Balay	96.00
BACS	Cooks Electrical	PAT Testing	12.00
BACS	Lamas PCC	Annual contribution	800.00
BACS	Buxton PCC	Annual contribution	2,600.00
BACS	Clerk, Norfolk Pension	Oct pay, pension,	
	Fund, HMRC	tax, mileage, phone	1,094.19
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Qty Finance Report – A flexed budget report for half the year was presented to councillors. All spend across the cost centres is broadly in line with the budgeted spend.

Any other Finance Matters – None

20/66 HIGHWAYS (and FOOTPATHS) RIVERS & VILLAGE MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Dangers of swimming at the Mill pond and Anti-social behaviour – This was all discussed under the following item.

Disturbances at the Dell – Clerk reported that there have been complaints about anti-social behaviour and suspicious activity at the Dell. The police are aware and active in the area. It was also reported that there is suspicious behaviour at the Station carpark and suspicions of substance misuse. Clerk to highlight this location with the police.

SAM 2 and Traffic Calming – In Mr Shaw's absence this item has been moved to the November agenda.

Buxton village hall play area – Mrs Nichols thanked Cllr Lawrence for the grant to the village hall, which will be used to purchase comfortable chairs for the village hall.

Re-planting of tree on Crown Road – Councillors had taken time to have a look at the location for the replanting of a tree on Crown Road opposite the shop. There were mixed views on its possible replacement. It was felt that there are large healthy trees very nearby. A vote was taken, 1 was for a replacement tree and 4 were against. Therefore, this tree will not be replaced.

[Kandi entered the meeting]

The Round – The Editor of the publication was at the meeting and discussed the idea of making a monthly edition on-line. In the current climate there is very little going on in the village and therefore not much news or many events to publicise but it was felt that there is enough news to make a simple on-line version. Clerk raised the fact that the advertisers have agreed to have their advert fees rolled over to when the PC brings the publication back in a printed format. The advert fees are always charged upfront for the following 6 months of adverts. It was AGREED to stick to this plan, but in the meantime run the publication on-line and make no additional charges for the adverts for the time being while the publication is just on-line.

To receive reports on highway matters – It was reported that Bulwer Road has a new road sign.

The bridge at Little Hautbois is still broken, the temporary barriers there have been blown over in the winds and are too heavy for the residents nearby to lift back in place.

There was a traffic monitoring camera at the top of Mayton Bridge Road for about 10 days, and residents would like to know what this was monitoring and who put it there. It was thought this was placed there by the police.

20/67 BALAY PARK

Football Development Ideas – Mr Granger from the FA was in attendance; he is working with the football club to try to expand access to football to more people and said that it would be possible to bring in between 50% and 70% in grant funding to pay for the cost of new facilities in the village. The village hall recreation ground has been the home of the football club for over 100 years and the village hall management committee are very happy for this to continue to be their home and for the facilities there to be replaced/improved.

Their difficulties are around the pitches being on two different sites. The Clerk highlighted that Balay park is only a short walk away and that the facilities could be developed at the village hall site and when needing more pitches, participants could make the short walk up to Balay park to use the pitches there. Members of the football club had also been thinking about this as a plan going forwards.

Mrs Nichols is happy to meet with Mr Granger and the football club to look at the options around this outside and at a safe distance.

20/68 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED - None

20/69 LATE CORRESPONDENCE & AGENDA ITEMS – The Scout group have sent a letter asking for the lease agreement to be looked at again in terms of the clause stating that only uniformed groups can meet in the Scout hut. This item will be on the November agenda for discussions.

20/70 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING – There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:28pm.