

**Minutes of the Buxton with Lamas Full Parish Council Meeting
held in Buxton with Lamas Village Hall on Monday 11th April at 7.30pm**

PRESENT

Councillors:

Rev Goodman	Mrs Kammoun
Mr Shaw	Mrs Warren

Also in attendance:

4 Members of the public

District Councillor Lawrence

Clerk to the Council: Laura Apps-Green

22/1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –There were apologies for absence given for Mrs Powell, Mrs Charmley, Mrs Nichols and Mr Riley. The meeting started at 7:45 due to a delay in attendance.

22/2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – None

22/3 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on March 14th 2022 were previously circulated, they were signed as a true and correct record.

22/4 MATTERS ARISING – None

22/5 ADJOURNMENT –

A resident raised a concern from the minutes of the last PC meeting, regarding asking other bodies for financial assistance to pay for the repair of the base/river bank below a footpath under a bridge in the parish. The resident stated that the only body responsible for the whole of the footpath, including the foundations/bedding, is Highways, as it's their statutory duty, and no other body should be asked to help financially with this work.

Cllr Lawrence explained that she has looked at all options around this issue and said that she has secured funding from BDC and a Highways budget in order to get the eroded river bank under the pathway repaired and that the IDB have to approve all work involving the river. Cllr Lawrence said that there is a solution to getting this path open again with the funding that she has secured. There could be major delays if these offers are not taken up.

As the PC is not being asked for any money and the PC does not own any of the land in question, the PC did not take a view on this matter.

A resident asked the council if he could make a gesture of good will to the village by planting daffodil bulbs in the ground around the village sign between the village hall and the church. The resident's family have lived in the village for 150 year and this gesture would be part of the family's celebrations of a grandparent 90th birthday. The Chair moved to make a decision on this under item 9.8 of the agenda, highways and village maintenance matters.

A resident informed council that one of the church bells in Buxton church has a crack and will cost around £15,000 to replace. There are plans to try to raise funds to pay for this.

22/6 REPORTS

Cllr Lawrence -

- Highlighted that she now has the funds together to move forward with the work to repair the bridge, as discussed in the adjournment.

22/7 PLANNING

Greater Norwich Local Plan – Nothing to report

Neighbourhood Plan Steering group – Mr Curtis reported that the working group are meeting regularly and moving things forward. Not all of the Locality funding has been spent in this financial year and the Clerk was asked to ensure that the left-over amount is paid back to Locality as soon as possible. Clerk was also asked to draw down the BDC funding as soon as possible.

The group have planned 2 community consultation events on 18th and 25th June.

Planning applications –

Jaguar Buildings – The same application as last time has been submitted, with an amendment to the numbers the applicant wants to house in the building, now proposing 95 residents. It was pointed out that this is still 5 more than last time and no changes have been made to the building.

It was also pointed out that Natural England have issued new rules based on a nutrient assessment of the nearby water ways, resulting in a ban on all new overnight accommodation approval in the area. All AGREED to object to this planning application based on all previous points and the Natural England rules.

Clerk was asked to chase BDC to ensure that Chestnut Drive has been formally adopted.

22/8 FINANCE

Bank reconciliation – Clerk submitted the reconciliation to the Scrutineer who signed it off as correct.

Receipts and payments schedule –

BACS	Name	Description	Amount (£)
BACS	Modicum	Neighbourhood Plan consultant	850
BACS	Norfolk County Council	Parish Partnership contribution	875
BACS	RoSPA	Play Area inspection of new site	
		Balay skate park	558
<i>The above payments needed to be made before this month</i>			
BACS	Norfolk Cleaning Co	Cleaning Balay Park	100.8
BACS	Barnwells	Round publication	285
BACS	Tim Curtis	Go Daddy NP website renewal	71.86
BACS	Laura Apps-Green, Norfolk Pension Fund, HMRC	Phone, pension, pay, Tax, office rent	1388.1
		Total	4,128.76

Request for Tree Network donation – All AGREED to a £50 donation.

22/9 HIGHWAYS (and FOOTPATHS), RIVER & VILLAGE MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Buxton village hall play area – Training for how to inspect a play area is planned for Friday 10th June at 1pm in Buxton village hall.

Long term plans for traffic calming measures – A meeting took place with Highways, Cllr Riley, Cllr Goodman and the Clerk. Cllr Riley has been working hard to put forward the case for a 20mph zone through Lamas. There seemed to be an acknowledgment that safety work is needed over the bridge at the mill and work to install the village gate on Coltishall road should start in this calendar year. Cllr Riley also raised the need to correct the white lines outside the shop in Buxton.

Footpaths, Maintenance and Closures – Covered in adjournment

Jubilee Tree – Clerk to obtain a quote for a bench and plaque to also be placed by the new WI tree.

Annual Parish Meeting – It was AGREED to hold this for 30 minutes ahead of the May AGM.

Dangers of swimming at the Mill Pond and Anti-social behaviour – Nothing to report

Drainage issues in the parish and flood risk areas update – Camping beck has been cleared.

Highway matters – Council discussed the idea of having some more bulbs planted in front of the village sign. All AGREED that it would be a nice idea. Clerk to write to resident to state that the PC agrees to it.

A few residents have raised the issue of cars parking on the grass at the entrance of Balay park, which is owned and managed by the PC. The grounds maintenance contractor has to go around them, the grass is being churned up in this area and the space is for recreation. Clerk was asked to seek advice from the police on this matter and to put the item on the agenda for the May meeting.

Cllr Charmley has reported a large pot hole in Little Hautbois that needs addressing.

22/10 OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY MATTERS - None

22/11 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED – None

22/12 LATE CORRESPONDENCE & AGENDA ITEMS

22/13 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

22/14 CONFIDENTIAL STAFFING MATTERS

Clerk highlighted the new NALC payment scales which are to be back dated to April 2021. All AGREED to the new scales and back payment.

22/15 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING – There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9:27pm.