

**Minutes of the Buxton with Lamas Full Parish Council Meeting
held in Buxton Village Hall on Monday 17th April at 7.30pm**

PRESENT

Councillors:

Mrs Nichols	Mrs Powell	Mrs Barnes	Mrs Warren
Mrs Charmley	Mr Shaw	Mrs Kammoun	Rev Goodman

Also in attendance:

Cllr Lawrence
8 members of the public
Clerk to the Council: Laura Apps-Green

22/146 WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Apologies were given for Mr Riley. Mrs Kammoun will be slightly late to the meeting.

22/147 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – Mrs Nichols and Mrs Powell reference the village hall.

22/148 APPOINT A TEMPORARY VICE-CHAIR – This was so that the amended Scout lease could be signed by both the Chair and Vice Chair. Rev Goodman proposed Mrs Charmley, all AGREED.

22/149 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes from the previous meeting held on 13th March were circulated and signed as a true and correct record.

22/150 MATTERS ARISING – The request from the Tree Council for a £50 donation will be discussed under finance 9.2, approved payments.

22/151 ADJOURNMENT – A member of the public requested to speak during agenda item 11.4. A member of the public attended to talk to the council about adding more bulbs to the village sign green area and to put a plaque in memorial to his grandmother on the bench there. Clerk is having the benches sanded and varnished so asked for that to be done before the plaque is added.

22/152 REPORTS

Cllr Lawrence reported:

- She will not be standing as district councillor going forwards
- A new village sign has been placed in Little Hautbois
- “20 is plenty” signs were given to the Clerk
- She has had an amazing time as a councillor and has learnt a lot
- She will give a hand over to the new councillor and finish off some key projects she has been working on, e.g. NP and water meadows project
- Please remember that photo ID is now needed in order to vote

The Chair of the council, on behalf of the PC, expressed her grateful thanks for Cllrs Lawrence's hard work and dedication and wished her all the best in the future.

22/153 PLANNING

Greater Norwich Local Plan – Nothing new to report

Neighbourhood plan Steering group – The Chair read out suggested wording from the PC for the introduction to the NP document. All AGREED to this wording with no changes.

Planning Applications –

- Stratton Road – No comments made and no objections
- The Limes – No objections, as long as it does not encroach on the neighbouring properties

22/154 FINANCE

Bank reconciliation – Bank reconciliation for March was signed off by the Scrutineer.

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

Cheque	Name	Description	Amount £
BACS	Barnwells	Round	300
BACS	Go Daddy	NP Website	71.86
SO	EDF Energy	Heating	87
BACS	Norfolk ALC	Subscription	424.4
BACS	Garden Guardian	pot holes in car park	444
BACS	Norfolk Cleaning Co	Cleaning Balay	100.8
BACS	Tree Council	Donation	50
BACS	Laura Apps-Green, Norfolk Pension Fund, HMRC	Pay, pension, Phone, Mileage, tax,	1192.44
		Total	2,670.50

Santander Savings Account – Clerk reported that the plan previously agreed by council would not be possible because Mrs Rix is no longer a councillor. Clerk will go to the Ombudsman on this matter to try to find a sensible way to access the Councils savings account and move it over to the Unity Trust savings account.

Any other finance matters - None

22/155 HIGHWAYS (and FOOTPATHS) RIVERS & VILLAGE MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Lion Road Junction – A resident was invited to speak by the Chair on this matter. He informed council that on the 14th February he witnessed, and was first on the scene, of a serious accident at this junction. 4 ambulances, the air ambulance and the police attended the scene. This junction has been at the centre of a number of car collisions and many parishioners feel that it is a very dangerous junction. The resident stated that the paint markings on the road are dull, it is used as a rat run and cars are often speeding here. He would like to see a reduction in the speed limit in this area and new road markings made. The cost of some simple changes would be much more cost effective than the emergency services costs each time there is an accident.

Rev Goodman agreed that this junction has been an issue for years and that the PC needs to highlight this again with Highways. Mrs Charmley felt that a “Danger” sign is required and that speed reduction should start before this junction. Cllr Lawrence suggested that the PC obtain the police report on accidents at this junction.

The council AGREED to the following actions:

- Obtain police report detailing accidents at this site
- Write to Highways asking for “stop” signs and new white line markings and for the speed restriction to start before this junction, request the foliage around the bend and signs are cut back
- Include a letter of support from the resident who witnessed a serious accident in February

Long term plans for traffic calming – Mr Shaw has produced a detailed discussion document looking at traffic management ideas for the parish. It was AGREED for the PC to have an private extraordinary meeting to look at these plans in more detail and decide on the priorities.

Permission for planters on the land with the Lamas village sign beside Buxton Mill – Mr Shaw confirmed that the planning application has been submitted to Highways. The Chair invited a member of the public to speak on this matter. They confirmed that many residents feel strongly about this piece of land, it is churned up and not attractive to look at.

Clerk reiterated that how this project could be funded has not been agreed yet. A few funding programmes were mentioned, including the Ward Fund and the BDC Keep It Going Fund. Encouraging sponsorship to fund it was also suggested. A Scout leader in attendance also said that the scouts are keen to get more involved with the community and would be keen to help with this project.

Buxton village hall and play area – Mrs Nichols informed council that there had been an issue with the defibrillator going missing for a week but was pleased to say that it is now back in place. A piece has been placed in the Round giving a number to call if you are unable to put the defib back once it's been used. The committee are yet to get up to date quotes for the work needed for the village hall carpark. Once quotes have been obtained the committee may approach the PC to ask for financial assistance with the costs. White lines have been replaced outside the village hall.

Footpaths, maintenance and closures – Nothing to report

To receive reports on highway matters –

- There is a hole in the road just before the bus stop as you leave Aylsham Road which needs levelling
- The flashing sign by the pig farm as you enter Lamas is not working properly
- Foliage needs cutting back around speed signs on Little Hautbois Road and before the bridge as you enter Little Hautbois from Coltishall

22/156 BALAY PARK

- **Parking on PC land around Balay park** – The Scouts will be holding a St George's Day parade on Sunday 23rd April at Balay park. They formally requested permission to park the cars of those attending the event on Balay park. They will be using a professional company to look after the car parking on the day and will have the car park area roped off. If any damage occurs the Scouts will fix it. The Clerk asked for a copy of the full risk assessment for the whole event. Full council AGREED to this request and wished the Scout group all the best with their event.
- **Official signing of Scout lease** – The two copies were signed by the Chair and acting Vice-Chair
- **Skate ramp update** – Ramps will be on site next week to fix the sinking ramps and repaint them
- **Request to paraglide from Balay park** – A resident attended the meeting to request flying his paragliding sail at Balay park. The sail is 5 metres in height in the air. Clerk informed council that there are overhead power lines and 3 "No Kite Flying" signs are in place at Balay park, because of the potential danger. The site is used by a lot of other residents and the PC does not have the right insurance to cover this. After discussion the PC AGREED to NOT allow any sails or kites to be flown at Balay park.
- **Football training request on a Thursday evening** – This request from the football club was considered and the PC AGREED to allow this extra training session at no extra cost for the time being. This was proposed by Rev Goodman and seconded by Mrs Warren. It was agreed that the more usage Balay park gets the less likely it is to be vandalised. Clerk reported having to arrange for faeces to be cleaned off the skate ramps the other week.

22/157 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MATTERS – None

22/158 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED -

22/159 LATE CORRESPONDENCE & AGENDA ITEMS – Rev Goodman requested that the state of some allotments should be on the PC agenda for the May meeting. Planters for the green beside the Mill will also be on the agenda.

22/160 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING – There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9:17pm.