

**Minutes of the Buxton with Lamas Full Parish Council Meeting
held in Buxton Village Hall on Monday 13th March at 7.30pm**

PRESENT

Councillors:

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

Also in attendance:

Cllr Lawrence

1 members of the public

Clerk to the Council: Laura Apps-Green

22/132 WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Apologies were given for Rev Goodman and Mr Riley.

22/133 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION – Mrs Nichols and Mrs Powell reference the village hall.

22/134 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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

22/135 MATTERS ARISING – None

22/136 ADJOURNMENT – None

22/137 REPORTS

Cllr Lawrence reported:

- A district council budget meeting has been held
- Norfolk devolution deal is light on the details, so it is unclear what the impact would be for parish and town councils and residents. How can people be consulted on something without the relevant details?
- Overview and Scrutiny committee to be chaired by a member of the ruling party and this was challenged, as it should be steered by a member of the opposition. This challenge was overruled and it continues to be chaired by the ruling party.
- Wicker Corgi sculptures - The cost of these to the district council has been controversial. 4 have now been sold and the remaining 2 will stay with the council and can be hired out.
- Voter ID. This is very important, as you will only be able to vote in the May elections if you provide photo ID. There is a concern for those without a passport or driving licence. Cllr Lawrence has put detailed information in the Round on how to obtain a voter authenticity certificate. This will also be needed for the NP Regulation 14 consultation. The other option is to use the postal vote system.
- Ward Fund – The funds for this year have all been allocated to Frettenham/Hainford Pre School, 1st Buxton Lamas Scouts for their St George's Day celebrations and Buxton Pre-school. In total over the 4 years, Cllr Lawrence has brought in £1,600 to the area for community projects.

22/138 PLANNING

Greater Norwich Local Plan – Nothing new to report

Neighbourhood plan Steering group – Extraordinary meeting will be held on Monday 20th March at 7pm in Lamas Village Hall to discuss and sign off the NP. Clerk reiterated that the up-to-date version of the NP had been circulated to all Cllrs on the 7th March and followed up on the 10th March. 2 Councillors have not received it. Clerk to help ensure that the NP reaches all Councillors so that they can read it ahead of the meeting on 20th March.

Planning Applications – Sunnyside, The Street, Lamas. Application for a summer house. Council has no objections.

22/139 FINANCE

Bank reconciliation – Bank reconciliation for Jan and Feb 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	National Allotment Sociaty	Allotment Membership renewal	51
SO	EDF Energy	Heating	87
BACS	Modicum Planning	NP	1700
BACS	Viking	Chair and Stamps	96.36
BACS	Anglia Water	Balay water bill	295.88
BACS	Buxton Primary School	Defib battery	238.5
BACS	1st Buxton Scouts	Grant	414
BACS	Norfolk Cleaning Co	Cleaning Balay	100.8
BACS	Laura Apps-Green, Norfolk Pension Fund, HMRC	Pay, pension, phone, mileage, tax	1188.76
BACS	Santander	Keeping account open	10
		Total	4,482.30

Santander Savings Account – Clerk explained the difficulty in getting the PC's savings from Santander and in to the Unity Trust savings account because 2 of the signatories are named on the Santander current account and 1 is on the savings account. 2 people need to sign off any movement of money, which in this case is impossible having only 1 signatory. All AGREED to paying £10 into the savings account to keep it from being made dormant. Clerk was asked to get Mrs Rix's signature in order to add Mr Shaw to the savings account to allow the PC to access its money.

Any other finance matters - None

22/140 HIGHWAYS (and FOOTPATHS) RIVERS & VILLAGE MAINTENANCE MATTERS

Lion Road Junction – The resident who wanted to discuss this item was unable to attend the meeting. Cllr Lawrence said that she thought the issue was regarding the speed limit, as she had been corresponding with another resident about the area. Clerk to put item on the April agenda.

Long term plans for traffic calming – Cllr Shaw has been working on a 5-year plan of action for improving traffic issues in the parish. There was a discussion about the effectiveness of 20mph zones, as it was felt that the speed limit would be unenforceable. Cllr Lawrence has more "20 is Plenty" signs that can be distributed.

Proposal for planters on the land with the Lamas village sign beside Buxton Mill – Cllr Shaw issued all councillors with a proposed plan for the layout of the planters and some rough costs. He reiterated that the PC can be involved in getting permission from Highways to put planters on their land, but also stated that the PC was not committing to pay for the project. Clerk informed council that parishioners felt that there may be volunteers in the village who could build the planters and look after them once in place. Cllr Shaw to make the application to highways to seek permission for the project.

Buxton village hall and play area – Carpark improvement project is proving hard to get quotes for the work. Temporarily on hold.

Footpaths, maintenance and closures – White lines have been promised outside of the village hall carpark.

To receive reports on highway matters – Drain under the bridge on Mill Street is blocked and fills with water when it rains. Clerk to report to Highways.

22/141 BALAY PARK

- **Parking on PC land around Balay park** – Clerk is waiting for a quote from the fencing contractor. Put on April agenda.
- **Discuss fencing at Balay park** – Following a detailed site inspection by the Clerk and Cllr Shaw it was agreed that the fencing to the north side of the pavilion on the edge of the football pitch should be removed as it is in a bad state of repair. Clerk has asked the grounds contractor to remove it when they fill in the potholes in the carpark.
- **Skate ramp update** – Clerk has met the contractor on site and the work involved was looked at in detail. A new quote issued was AGREED by full council and will include painting the surface area with a special non slip paint. The work will start at the beginning of April.
- **Scout event in April** – A request from the scouts to run a cable from the pavilion onto the field for the St Georges day parade was discussed and had been circulated to councillors prior to the meeting. The request was discussed in detail and it was felt that this could not be fulfilled by the PC and no access to the pavilion would be allowed. The Scouts group are reminded to ensure that the event is fully insured and risk assessed by the Scouts and evidence of this is issued to the PC well in advance of the event taking place.

22/142 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MATTERS – None**22/143 CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED**

- Local election forms – Clerk reminded councillors of the need to get these filled in and that they can be submitted from the 17th March until the 4th April. Clerk also pointed out that photo ID is needed in order to vote.

22/144 LATE CORRESPONDENCE & AGENDA ITEMS – Tree Council donation requests, Clerk to put on the April agenda.**22/145 CLOSURE OF THE MEETING** – There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 9:05pm.