

The Parish of Buxton with Lamas

The Annual Parish Meeting was held in Buxton Village Hall
on Monday 22nd May 2023 at 7.00pm

PRESENT

Chairperson – Val Nichols

Parish Councillors – Yvonne Powell, Tony Shaw, Rev Goodman, Jackie Warren, Kandi Kammoun, Mark Goodman

Members of the public - 4

Clerk to the Parish Council: Laura Apps-Green

APOLOGIES

Received from: Gilly Knights, Thea Charmley

PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman's Annual Report 2022/2023

Val Nichols read a report on the work carried out by the PC over the last year.

Accounts 2022/2023 (Internally audited)

The Clerk to the Council presented the accounts for 2022/2023 (Internally audited).

REPORTS FROM COMMUNITY GROUPS

- **Photography Club**

The Chair of the club informed the meeting that their membership went down to 17 and they have been on a recruitment drive to attract more members. There is a lot of competition, as there are other similar clubs nearby. They have recruited 4 new members recently taking their total numbers to 21.

- **Jubilee Club**

They have around 25-30 members and meet once a month on the 2nd Tuesday, 2pm until 4pm. They have quizzes, guest speakers and enjoy a tea and cake. Some people come from outside of the village.

- **WI**

They have 35 members, 3 are new members. They meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month in Buxton village hall. They have a variety of speakers, tea and cake, book club, lunch club, walking group, craft club, bowling group and visitors are always welcome.

- **Lamas Village**

A committee member issued the Clerk with a copy of the village hall accounts. They have needed to install a damp proof course and have an area of the hall plastered. The insurance issue is still ongoing regarding the lorry that crashed into the corner of the building. They have found a contractor to do the work but have not been able to finalise a start date with them. The meetings in the hall are picking up with a regular breakfast club meeting to share food and read the newspapers.

- **Buxton Village Hall**

This group is an independent body. They had new benches put into the play area for people to enjoy. The football club paid for a defibrillator to be fitted to the hall. They have had CCTV installed to ensure the safety of the hall. There is improvement work needed for the hall windows and carpark.

Signed by Chairman 2024

- **Scouts**

The PC was thanked for letting the Scouts use Balay park for their St George's Day parade. The Group Leader is Sean Riseley and the Deputy is Stephen Spinks. They are one of only a few groups to have all sections and cater for ages 4 to 18 years and meet in the hall 5 nights of the week. The Rainbows and Brownies also use the hall. They are a strong group and most of the leaders come from outside of the village. The Scout group want to get more involved with the community.

- **Church**

The church is grateful for the annual maintenance grant that the PC gives the church to look after the church yard. They are currently without a vicar but that may be changing very soon. They service 6 churches and travel to each on a rota. There are around 20 – 25 people in the congregation. They hold a coffee morning on the 4th Saturday of each month and held a special celebratory service to give thanks for the new bell. The Neighbourhood Plan will be consulted on at the next coffee morning, which will be supported by the WI. The Team Rector is Cannon Julie Boyde.

OPEN FORUM

A member of the public asked if there would be a public unveiling of the Jubilee bench at Balay park. Parking around the shop and school was raised and how dangerous it can be. The dangerous junction at Lion Road was also highlighted. Some dead trees on Church Close and by the bus stop were reported.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7:47pm.