

BURPHAM
VILLAGE COMMITTEE AND PARISH MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 04 October 2016
at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Those attending: Paul Challen (Chairman)
Marion Tucker (Secretary)
Val Belton (Treasurer)
Ed French (Planning)
Julie Tester (VH Hire Co-ordinator)
Ron Chapple (Village Hall)
Heather Birch (Social)
Bob Baynes

Action

1. Apologies

Firstly, Marion apologised that the Agenda had not been circulated several days before the meeting, because of an oversight.
Apologies were received from Kevin Foster.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 August 2016 were signed as a true record.

3. Village Hall

- (a) The faulty lighting has been replaced and various small problems in the toilets have been fixed.
- (b) The guttering would appear to be leaking again in a couple of places.
- (c) A wedding has been booked for next year and the use of the recreation ground for the landing / tethering of a hot air balloon has been requested. Marion is to do a letter to those concerned saying that permission is granted for this event.
- (d) Car Parking: Polite notices have been placed down one side of The Street, and more will be placed on the other side. Peter Werner has mapped out the car park in case of the need to paint parking space lines. Nick Field has very kindly cleared the vegetation around the edges, and weed killer will be applied here at the end of the winter to stop growth next year. During the winter it will be ascertained how far towards the fence the tarmac extends.

MGT

- (e) Paul Challen will talk with Steve Pentecost about the administration of a Village Hall website.

PC

4. Planning

- (a) Wepham Farm House – approved by SDNP Planning.
- (b) Absuma – Ed French outlined the proposals in the pre-advice application that was made recently.

5. **Treasurer Report**

(a) The accounts for the period 6 April – 04 October 2016 are satisfactory, with hall hire income for the first six months only about £800 less than the whole of 2015/16.

(f) Investments are doing well.

6. **Secretary Report**

(a) The works to repair Splash Bridge have been completed.

(b) The white “give way” road markings at the triangle near the Vicarage have been repainted.

(c) There was discussion as to whether the Committee should apply to have Forge Road converted to a footpath. Paul Challen will consult with Highways as what their stance might be in this regard. PC

7. **Councillor Dendle Report**

In the absence of Cllr. Dendle there was no report.

There was discussion on parking at the end of the Burpham road where it joins the A27. Cars are currently parking up to the junction, and this is dangerous for traffic both turning into and out of the road.

8. **Social**

(a) The Clump BBQ on 22 August was moved to the Village Hall because of the weather, but was nonetheless very successful.

(b) The next function is the Film Evening, featuring “The Italian Job”, on Sat 29 October.

(c) Bob will include in the newsletter a small piece from Paul Challen asking for help and support in both organising and attending village functions. PC / RB

(c) It was agreed that the occasion of Mince Pies and Mulled Wine after the Carol Service on 18 December should be extended to become a party for all, but in particular new villagers, and Bob will give a short speech of welcome and information. Bob will also ask Phil White if he will prepare the mulled wine this year. RB

9. **Any Other Business**

There was discussion about the large “lake” which forms near the junction with Coombe Lane when it rains. Paul Challen explained that he and his grandson had cleared this over the last weekend, and said he would talk with Nick Field about a more permanent solution. The Committee thanked Paul and Freddie for their efforts. PC

10. **Date, Time and Venue for Next Meeting**

Tuesday 6 December at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Agreed as a true record:

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for Burpham and Wepham Village Committee and Parish Meeting

