

Burwash Parish Council

Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting
Held on the 5th May 2016, at 7.00pm in Burwash Pavilion, Burwash Common

Present

Chairman – Cllr Vereker, Vice-Chairman – Cllr McBride, Cllr Banks, Cllr Caulkin, Cllr Crabtree, Cllr Durrant, Cllr Elmslie, Cllr Jenner, Cllr Moore, Cllr Nash, Cllr Pope, Cllr Rowlinson

1) Apologies for Absence

No apologies for absence were received.

2) Disclosures of Interest

No declarations made.

3) Accuracy of the minutes of the previous meeting

To approve the Draft Minutes of the Planning Council Meeting held on 11/04/16 as a correct record of the proceedings.

RESOLVED – agreed that the Draft Minutes of the Planning Council Meeting held on 11/04/16 be confirmed as being an accurate record of the meeting.

4) Rectory Court

Councillors gave an update on progress. A meeting has been booked with Amicus for the 18/05/16. Councillors Jenner, Moore, Banks and Pope will attend. District Cllr Kirby-Green and Cllr Joy Hughes will also be in attendance. Both Parish and District Councillors are committed to seeing sheltered accommodation for the elderly within the centre of the village.

5) Planning Applications

a) RR/2016/903/P

Willards Hill Cottage, Ludpit Lane, Burwash TN19 7DB

Conversion of garage to habitable accommodations.

SUPPORT APPROVED – Councillors give their support on this application on the condition that the garage is used in conjunction with the house.

b) RR/2016/898/P

4 Highfield Cottages, Vicarage Lane, Burwash TN19 7LW

Erection of first floor side extension.

SUPPORT APPROVED

6) Planning Appeal

a) APP/U1430/W/16/3143542

Land between Elphicks & Abbots Weald, Spring Lane, Burwash. There will be a hearing for the 24/05/16 at 10am, Bexhill Town Hall

7) Planning Decisions

a) RR/2016/562/P – 21 Rother View, Hilltop, Burwash – APPROVED

- b) RR/2016/417/P – Meadows Ed, Vicarage Road – APPROVED
- c) RR/2016/462/P – Meadow View, Westdown Lane – APPROVED
- d) RR/2016/203/P – Chaunt House, High Street – APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

8) Erection of new fingerposts

Highways have finally agreed the positioning of two new white wooden finger posts. The Clerk has obtained 3 quotes so will be finalising the work to start once a provider has been agreed.

9) Burwash Car Park

As part of Rother District Councils 'Devolution of Assets' the Parish Council has been offered to take over the maintenance and management of the car park next to The Bear pub along with the leasehold of the two black huts and the public conveniences.

RESOLVED – This item was amended by the Clerk for councillors:

Councillors review the documentation received and give their feedback and questions/ideas to the Clerk a minimum of two weeks before the June meeting.

Councillors will earmark £500 for funding for an initial meeting with a solicitor for them to give advice to the questions raised and provide advice on areas to address with Rother and further questions to ask. The Clerk will speak to other Clerks who have taken on their Parish car parks for advice and information and continue obtaining information from Rother for councillors.

10) Co-Option Process

Councillors discussed the process for interviewing the candidates. Co-option to take place at the May AGM as resolved in April full council.

RESOLVED – Councillors agreed the following for the co-option process:

- Potential candidate(s) at the agreed full council meeting will give a few minutes talk on why they would like to be co-opted onto the council
- Councillors will then ask candidate(s) questions
- Councillors will then vote on each candidate. Candidate(s) will have the option to leave the meeting at this point and the Chairman will read out the result of the vote. Candidates will only be successful if they receive a majority vote of councillors present. If this does not happen the position will remain vacant.
- If the candidate(s) is/are not in the room the Chairman will come out and let them know the result(s).

RESOLVED – Councillors voted on a paper ballot vote at the AGM.

11) Date of Next Meeting – Parish Council AGM 10/05/16 at 7.00pm at the Parish Room (Internet Room), The Bear car park