

# Burwash Parish Council

## Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting

Held on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018, at 6.30pm in the Parish Room, Bear Car Park

---

### Present

Chair – Cllr David Vereker, Cllr Caulkin, Cllr Crabtree, Cllr Dixon, Cllr Elmslie, Cllr Jenner, Cllr Kenny, Cllr Mann, Cllr McBride, Cllr Moore and Cllr Pope.

---

#### 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies received and noted from – Cllr Caulkin, Cllr Chalk and Cllr Kenny

#### Public Time

- a. A key representative from Burwash: Save Our Fields from Concrete? highlighted that the argument was won in opposing the Denton Homes development by public support, the work from the Parish Council and true engagement with other community organisations. It was asked if the Council would continue this moving forward in fighting the appeal:
- b. **RESOLVED** – Cllrs agreed this approach was very effective and the way to move forward for the appeal. The Clerk would follow up the progress to date on the appeal being validated and ask Denton for the documents they have submitted for the appeal.
- c. Love Burwash identified the red telephone box by Highfields was in a poor state of repair
- d. **RESOLVED** – for the Clerk to contact BT to see what maintenance they would carry out.
- e. It was highlighted to the public that members of the public have been to the Burwash Common Pavilion and couldn't find anywhere to drop off the housing survey. Cllrs thanked and noted to address the problem.
- f. Cllr Barnes highlighted two public consultations for the Parish Council to respond to:
  - i. The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in particular section which refers to the Neighbourhood Plans (NP) which could become obsolete after two years if the Local Planning Authority has a housing supply of under 3 years.
  - ii. The ESCC plans to reduce musical tuition in schools.

**RESOLVED** – The Clerk would write on behalf of the Parish Council on both consultations to a) object to the requirement of redoing a NP after two years based on the District housing delivery b) object to the reduction of musical tuition in schools.

#### 2. Traffic Issues Within the Village

Cllr Crabtree reported back that to date there had been no response from ESCC from the letter sent by the Parish Council on the 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 other than emails confirming receipt of the letter and further delays to a reply. Cllrs were asked to review the situation.

**RESOLVED** – That the Clerk and Cllr Crabtree would write a covering letter to highlighting the lack of reply from ESCC to the media and Nick Skelton Assistant Director with responsibilities for traffic and road safety matters and Chairman of ESCC. Cllr Crabtree would attend the next ESCC Council meeting with Cllr Barnes and members of The Outsiders local community group to hand over the petition. Cllr Crabtree was nominated as the media lead with the Clerk.

#### 3. Shrub Lane - Land North West of, Burwash TN19 7BU

Cllr Jenner to reported back that Denton Homes have put in an appeal for the development Land NW Shrub Lane. To date no documents have been upload onto Rother District Council's website. It seems that the validation process will take 8-10 weeks but the Clerk will speak to Sarah Shepherd, Cllr Kirby Green and the Planning Inspectorate to try and get an update.

#### 4. Annual Parish Assembly

**RESOLVED** – Cllrs agreed to change the format for the 2018 Parish Assembly (PA). Due to the interest and concern on key issues the PA would be a public meeting to discuss traffic on the High Street, Land NW Shrub Lane (Denton Homes) and promotion of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Clerk would write to all the groups explaining the change in format this year.

#### 5. Close of meeting