

Burwash Parish Council

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Date, Time & Location of Meeting	Tuesday Tuesday 13 th January 2015 at 7.00pm The Parish Office The Bear car park Burwash.
Attendees	Cllr N Cook vice- Chairman Cllr P Pope Cllr S Moore Cllr D Hedges Cllr I Jenner Cllr D Vereker Cllr L Middleditch Cllr G Wright and Cllr L Elmslie.
Apologies for absence	Cllr G Woodhouse Cllr R Appleyard Cllr D Appleyard
Guests Members of the public	<p>Mrs J Bird on behalf of Burwash Common and Weald residents association asked for confirmation that members of the public were welcome at Burwash Parish Council meetings. Cllr N Cook confirmed that they were and took the opportunity to discuss three letters we had received. The Parish Council will consider the comments made but following a suggestion to record meetings (there is legislation to allow this) Cllr N Cook confirmed Burwash Parish Council were not considering this at the moment. Cllr J Barnes (County Councillor) advised that the changes to the buses would result in a reduction in services.</p> <p>Mr R Newman of B W&C PF Assoc complained that the Clerk had not informed him in time for the precept meeting and gave his correct details to her. The clerk explained that Mrs H Keep had been contacted and had attended the meeting and their request was being considered.</p> <p>Mr P Beauchamp asked about the proposed change of use for the newsagents and post office. Cllr N Cook advised him that we had refused support at a recent planning meeting but we are working with the owners to see if it was possible to save the shop.</p> <p>Although the 15 minutes were up Cllr N cook stopped the meeting to allow Tania Conway Grim to talk about speed watch.</p>



Matters arising from last meeting not on the agenda. Disclosure of interests	<p>Cllr N cook is working with the editor of the parish magazines to reduce the size of the minutes to fit the layout.</p> <p>The Clerk reminded all members that any change to their disclosure of interests must be recorded.</p> <p>Cllr L Elmslie as Chairman of Burwash Common and Weald residents association, Committee member the Burwash Jubilee fund committee and a member of BW&C PF Assoc. Cllr G Woodhouse Board Member CAB.</p>	
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<p>Minutes from the last meeting</p> <p>Cheques for payment</p>	<p>Cllr I Elmslie asked for the minutes to be changed. The minutes state that a report was circulated that included a breakdown of the printing at the resource. The report was not at the meeting and the minutes were not signed.</p> <p>101847 Signs of Style £156.00 101848 Rother District Council £400.00 101849 Rother District Council £50.00 101851 Clerk salary and expenses</p> <p>The bank balances as at 31/12/2014 were read out.</p>	
<p>Correspondence For Discussion and Resolution.</p> <p>Speed watch</p> <p>Precept 2015/6</p>	<p>Three letters have been received and circulated regarding the meeting on December 9th 2014. A request about a possible fish and chip van has been received. Cllr D Vereker will come back with information about any licence required. Swan Meadow has had a problem with graffiti at the playground. They have asked for some help with its removal but have not received the quote yet. The clerk will attend the regional conference on February 11th 2015. Cllr D Hedges will work with Ms T Conway Grim and report back to the next meeting. It was resolved that the precept for 2015 /16 will be £35,712.00 (the same as 2014/15).</p>	<p>Cllr D Vereker will report back.</p> <p>Cllr D hedges will report back to the next meeting. The precept of £35,712.00 for 2015/16 was resolved.</p>
<p>Finance The Clerk (RFO) Cllr R Appleyard</p>		
<p>Public Transport Grit Bins Cllr P Pope</p>	<p>Cllr P Pope worked with the Clerk to send a letter to ESCC about certain important buses. A reply has been received and no final decision made. Following Cllr J Barnes request it was resolved to support his initiative to re-examine and promote a commercial service that allowed commuters to use connecting buses. The Clerk will confirm this to ESCC.</p>	<p>It was resolved to support the Cllr J Barnes's initiative and the Clerk will confirm this to ESCC.</p>
<p>Liaison with Rother Cllr D Vereker</p>	<p>Cllr D Vereker reported that the first wave of new housing around the new Link Road in Bexhill has been approved.</p>	
<p>Young People Cllr R Appleyard</p>	<p>Cllr R Appleyard is visiting the groups and will highlight any one off support that may be required.</p>	<p>.</p>
<p>Buildings and Maintenance Cllr D Hedges</p>	<p>Due to the bad weather the tree at Downs Meadow has not been removed or the fixed asset register updated. The clerk and Cllr Hedges hope both will take place by the next meeting.</p>	
<p>Parish events, Fetes, land managed by Rother CCTV and alarm. Cllr L Middleditch</p>	<p>The dog bins are in place. Cllr L Middleditch would like to look at gateways to the village hopefully causing traffic to slow down. This will come under promoting the Parish.</p>	

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<p>Housing and exception site Cllr S Moore</p>	<p>Rectory Court. No plans have been received. Cllr S Moore reported that only a few residents remain but Amicus have updated the security. Work on the exception site has been slowed down by the weather. The part buy/let houses are being advertised and Rother confirm that there is a waiting list of qualified applicants for the other properties.</p>	
<p>Highways signs overgrown hedges etc. Cllr G Wright</p>	<p>Cllr G Wright reported that following a meeting with the Clerk and Cllr R Appleyard a meeting was arranged with the Highway Steward, The clerk, Cllr G Wright and Cllr P Pope. The light is now working at the bus stop, the tree removed from Burwash Common and the other requested work all given work numbers.</p>	
<p>Footpaths, Walking footpaths and reporting problems Cllr I Jenner</p>	<p>The January walk was well attended. Cllr I Jenner was concerned at the height of some styles and has asked ESCC to consider putting in another step.</p>	
<p>Speed and traffic</p>	<p>The parking review has gone to consultation. Mr M Higgs will arrange a meeting when it has ended.</p>	
<p>Website Cllr N Cook</p>	<p>Cllr N Cook has updated the web site.</p>	
<p>Promotion of Parish Cllr S Moore Cllr L Middleditch, Cllr L Elmslie and Cllr I Jenner.</p>	<p>Cllr S Moore reported that a meeting had taken place regarding signage including gateways to the village. There are a number of restrictions, however the group will set up a meeting with Bateman's / National Trust to see if they could work together.</p>	
<p>Tree Warden Cllr D Appleyard</p>		
<p>Internet resource Cllr L Elmslie</p>	<p>A report was circulated. There had been no events in December. The Wealden Tec event is now a tablet course and is fully booked.</p>	
<p>Resolution</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The cheques presented above are signed. 2. To support the commercial initiative with Cllr J Barnes for a better bus service. 3. The precept for 2015/16 will be £35,712.00. <p>There being no further business the meeting ended at 8.15pm.</p>	