

BULCOTE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Of the full council meeting on Monday 7th March 2022 at 7.00 pm held in the Burton Joyce & Bulcote Village Hall

Present: Councillors; N. Leaves (NL), V. Shillaker (VS), C. Springthorpe, P. Mountain (PM) and M. Tobin (MT).

In Attendance: Clerk L-J Campbell and Cllr Roger Jackson (RJ).

Yr/Min	DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS
	Representation from the Public: There were no members of public present
21/064 Apologies	Apologies were received from Cllrs Wendels who sent in a report.
21/065 Declarations	None declared.
21/066 Minutes of previous meeting	The minutes of the meeting held on 17^{th} January 2022 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
21/067 Matters arising	a. Update on Gardener : CS has spoken to the Gardeners who have requested a scope of works. NL and CS will arrange a suitable time to walk around the village and mark out the areas that need maintenance so that the Gardeners can work out the timing and cost for the works. b. replacement of street light #3 : RJ informed the PC that both street lights were deemed dangerous and will be replaced in April. c. update on Christmas tree : MT reported that the biggest tree he can get for planting is five feet, which is too small for a village green; MT will look at buying a larger fresh tree each year, alongside the planted one, until the planted one has grown. MT reported that 140amp batteries are £150 each, and they would need to be trickle charged throughout the year to keep them maintained. Thirty metres of 40-volt lamps are £130 with controls. Book library : books have been taken, VS still to do signs, NL will replenish books. Planning has still not been granted on the farm. The handyman was chased regarding the laying of some paving around the bench by the noticeboard.
21/068 Reports from District and County Council	The PC noted the passing of Ken Hutson who was a past Chairman of Bulcote Parish Council and wished to send his family and friends their condolences and to thank Ken for his contribution to Bulcote. Cllr Jackson informed the PC that there may be funding available from District Council towards the Jubilee and that District is looking at giving each PC a Sherwood Oak for planting as part of the Jubilee celebrations. RJ confirmed that both County and District will be changing governance from committee to Cabinet. Pot hole road repairs: they have double the gangs going out and planning to do more hotboxing and will only use veer fix in urgent situations. County is introducing the Kinship programme as a way of fostering, where

	families get paid for looking after their family members instead of putting them into foster care. (Roger left 19h30) Cllr Wendels report was shared with the PC: Bulcote Farm Development/Planning: Lisa Hughes has informed TW that the signing of the s106 Planning Agreement is now very close and once signed by all parties, the Decision Notices can be issued. This is expected within 2 weeks. There is no indication when development might commence as the site has to be sold to a developer which could take some time. Community Facility: TW has asked Andy Hardy and his team to assist you with this matter. I emailed for an update, and he responded that he would contact his planning colleagues. Community Grant Scheme: A report is going to the Full Council on Tuesday recommending the introduction of a £100k per year grant scheme for projects which simply improve people's quality of life. Maximum grant per scheme is £5k and match funding is not necessary but may help. It is available to not-for-profit community groups/organisations including Parish Councils. If approved, full details will be sent out shortly. It has been designed to be less restrictive than the Parish Council Initiative Fund where bids had to
21/069 Local Road Issues	a. Highways & Footpaths: There was nothing new to report. b. Village Road signs: PM has been in touch with Highways who told him that the PC can buy their own 'please respect our speed limit' 40mph sign which will cost approx. £250 excl. installation; NL will email Cllr Jackson for advice.
21/070 Finance	 a. Reconciliation of Accounts: The PC has a total of £18278.67 as of 7th March 2022. b. Payments for authorization: payments totalling £438.18 were authorized for payment c. Approve Clerk annual expenses: The annual amount of £57.56 was approved. d. Decide purchase of lamp post Poppies: Clerk asked to order twenty lamp post poppies e. Finalise closure of HSBC bank account: The closure bank forms were signed along with a cheque to move the funds out of the HSBC account into the Unity Trust Account. F. SLCC membership at £20, approved.
21/071 Community matters	Flooding issues: NL will circulate relevant paperwork he has. Village hall: nothing further to update. Handyman: Cllrs were asked to let NL know if there is anything that they think needs doing and NL will let him know.
21/072 Planning	9.1 Decisions : 21/02599/HOUSE, Gable Oak, new Loggia between main house and pool house – REFUSED. 22/00315/NMA, West Wall, Old Main Road, non-material amendment – PERMITTED.
21/073 Queen's Jubilee	a. To approve a working party: NL, VS and Margaret Mountain, Jenny Simpson and Natalie Leaves were approved as the official Platinum Jubilee working party. b. to give Clerk delegated authority: The Clerk was given delegated authority to approve and pay all Jubilee expenses up to £1000.
21/074 Correspondence	NL received a letter from a resident about waste vegetation and lamp number 3, to which he has responded. The Clerk circulated an email to Councillors asking what BPC had spent the CIL monies on over the last 3 years; PM recalled a cost of £805 towards fencing and a gate for the field - Clerk to respond to NSDC.
21/075 Any Other Business	It was noted that the Village green is a mess from the building works, the PC agreed to wait until the builders have finished before requesting them to re-instate it – add it to the next Agenda.

21/076	Next meetings: The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 16 th May 2022 at 7
	pm at Burton Joyce and Bulcote Village Hall. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting closed at 19h57

LJ Campbell, Clerk to Bulcote Parish Council