

Buckworth Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting Held on 25th September 2023, at 7.30pm in Buckworth Cricket Club

MINUTES

Attendees: Councillor Bob Hart (BH), Councillor Flo Bull (FB), Councillor Mike Bull (MB) Councillor Paula Bennett (PB) and Councillor Peter Waterhouse (PW)

250923/1 TO RECORD APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

250923/2 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Change

250923/3 TO SIGN AND APPROVE MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF: 27th June 2023

The minutes provided were incorrectly dated, but otherwise were accurate.
Proposed by PB, seconded by PWW approved the minutes of the meeting of 27th June 2023. Motion carried.

250923/4 TO RECEIVE DISTRICT AND/OR COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

No report received.

250923/5 OPEN FORUM FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Please note all issues to be raised in this section must be sent to the Clerk via email 24 hours before the meeting is due to commence. At the close of this item, members of the public will no longer be permitted to address the Council unless invited to do so by the Chairman.

No members of the public were present when this item.

250923/6 PLANNING:

TO CONSIDER: None

TO UPDATE: None

250923/7 MATTERS ARISING:

- A. Anglian Water Update – on schedule
Queries were raised regarding the requirement for fencing around the secondary pumping station near the Old Vicarage
ACTION: MB to contact Anglian Water

- B. Village Plan. BH to explore options for funding. No Progress. **Action BH**

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- C. Barham and Wooley PC – No Progress **Action BH**
- D. Woolley Hill Wind Farm – Review Options at next meeting
- E. Memorial Bench – No progress - Review at next meeting
- F. Maintenance of PC Assets:

Remove ivy from Bus Stop – Quote from H Brace of £80 to undertake this work
Quote acceptance proposed by BH, Seconded by PB – Motion approved
Action BH to ask H Brace to undertake work

Clear access to footpath connecting Barham Rd to Hamerton Rd. Quote from H Brace of £60 to undertake this work
Quote acceptance proposed by BH, Seconded by PB – Motion approved
Action BH to ask H Brace to undertake work
Action PWW to contact landowner (Agriserv) to maintain path as it is their responsibility

Hedgerow at the corner of Barham Rd
Action PWW to contact landowner to maintain hedgerow.

Other Assets – **Action MB** to update and review the Asset register and to propose a maintenance plan

- G. 20 mph Speed limit
Action FB to prepare village questionnaire
- H. BH to resign as chair at the next PC meeting as he is due to move out of the village
BH proposed MB as replacement Chair, Seconded by PWW – Motion carried
Action MB to assume role of chair following BH resignation
- I. Renewal of Grass Cutting Contract with H Brace
A quote was received from H Brace to undertake the grass cutting contract in 2024.
The quote received was for 14 cuts at £140.00 per visit, totalling £1960 for the year. It was felt that 14 cuts were too many. **Action BH** to contact H Brace to reduce the number of cuts to 12
- J. Quote of £60 received from Cambs Acre to rejoin. Decision was made not to rejoin as membership provided little benefit. Proposed PB seconded FB Motion Carried
- K. Capalc membership renewal
Action MB to check renewal date.

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250923/9 FINANCE

- a. To approve bank Reconciliation up to 27th June 2023 – circulated before meeting.
 - b. PAYMENTS:
H Brace Grass Cutting £280.00
 - c. DIRECT DEBITS PAID: None
 - d. INCOME None
- BH proposed, PW seconded to approve all bank reconciliations and payments. Motion carried

250923/10 DIARY DATES:

Next meeting of the Council was agreed to be 7th November 2023. At 7:30 in the Cricket Club

Final meeting of 2023 was agreed to be 12th December 2023

Meeting closed at 20:10

Bob Hart
Chair
Buckworth Parish Council
26th October 2023