

Buckland Monachorum Parish Council

Minutes of a remote meeting of the **BUCKLAND MONACHORUM PARISH COUNCIL** held on **TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2021** at **7.30pm** at **Clearbrook Village Hall**

Present: Cllrs M Fowler- Chair (MF), S Woollacott (SW), M Sheridan (MS), G Baird (GB), K Cornthwaite (KC), R Houston (RH), R Cheadle (RC) and A Cunningham (AC)

In Attendance: Katharine Griffiths (Parish Clerk).

332/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs S Challis and V Bolitho. Additionally, DCC Cllr P Sanders gave his apologies.

333/21 TO RECEIVE DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None other than what is on the register.

334/21 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MINUTES, OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

1. The full parish council meeting on 28th September 2021
2. Planning meetings of 28th September 2021 and 13th October 2021

The above minutes were **agreed** as a true record.

335/21 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE WDBC CLLRS FOR THIS WARD (CLLR CHEADLE & CLLR WOOD)

Cllr Cheadle gave an update. There have been a number of issues with the waste collection service, this has mainly been due to driver shortages. WDBC are currently trying to recruit. There are daily updates on the website as to the rounds that are being affected.

There is a general feeling that this winter may be a difficult one for many. WDBC are putting together a plan to try and support the most vulnerable groups. There may be some financial assistance for an emergency or those in a desperate position.

Community groups are being asked to keep an eye out for those that may need the service and sign post them accordingly.

As the number of cases of covid rise within the area, WDBC have implemented their own plan B. Most day-to-day tasks are being carried out remotely. With only face to face meetings when absolutely necessary.

336/21 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE DEVON COUNTY COUNCIL CLLR (CLLR SANDERS).

Cllr Sanders had offered his apologies, hence no report.

337/21 AN UPDATE WITH REGARD TO ACCESS THROUGH ST ANDREWS SCHOOL AND ACCESS TO THE PLAYING FIELD OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS.

Cllr Fowler gave an update, unfortunately due to several reasons it has not been possible to hold a further meeting yet. A meeting has been arranged for the 10th November, this will clash with the council meetings and they may have to be delayed slightly.

It is hoped that the meeting will be constructive and move things forward.

338/21 TO DISCUSS HOW TO MARK THE QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE.

There is National Tree planting scheme to mark the jubilee. Cllr Woollacott suggested that oak trees could be planted at the top of the Upper Cemetery.

If councillors have ideas, please feed these to the clerk with rough costs.

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UPDATE ON THE CRAPSTONE FIELD PROPOSAL.

Cllr Cheadle has drafted a letter to go to a few of the houses. He has also spoken to the lady that rents the field and there is no problem with the idea.

The letter will be hand delivered to the houses on the left-hand side of the field. The purpose of the letter is to test the water.

Cllr Woollacott commented that a number of things need to be taken onto consideration. Such as possible change of use of the land, additionally it is known that there is contamination on the site and this will have to be taken into account.

Cllr Cheadle proposed that the 5 houses in Seaton Way were sent the letter, this was agreed by the majority of the council. It was noted that Cllr Woollacott objected.

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FINANCE

The list of payments for October had been circulated prior to the meeting.

- i) The following receipts were NOTED since the last meeting;
Field Rent: £110, Grant £2900

- ii) The following payments made since the last meeting were NOTED.

Recipient	Amount
KG Salary Sept 21	£1,051.43
Perfect Pastures Aug invoice 3058	£871.25
S Woollacott	£7.09
Tony Bengier Landscaping Extra Work	£422.14
Tony Bengier Landscaping Sept	£1,620.10
PKF External Audit	£360.00
HMRC	£88.14
WDBC Bin Emptying	£716.04
SLCC	£166.00
Yelverton Hall Hire	£24.00
Devon Pension fund	£291.94

- iii) The following payments to be made were **agreed**.

Recipient	Amount	VAT(If applicable)	TOTAL
Perfect Pastures	726.04	145.21	871.25
Tony Bengier	1350.08	270.02	1620.10
Buckland Monachorum Hall Hire	27.50		27.50
Clearbrook Hall Hire	25.00		25.00
HMRC	13.34		13.34
Devon Pension Fund	291.94		291.94
KG Wages and expenses	1131.03		1131.03
E.ON Elec Yelv roundabout	9.85		9.85

- iv) The bank reconciliation was noted.

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YELVERTON:

- 341/21 AN UPDATE WITH REGARD TO THE BENCHES AND REPLACEMENT BIN BY THE TOILETS.**
The cost of the bin has gone up from the original quote.
It was AGREED that the bin could be purchased and installed.
Cllr Cornthwaite has spoken to Joe Hess with regard to the location of the new bench. The bench will have a granite base and a hardwood top.
The details of the bench will be circulated.
- 342/21 TO CONSIDER THE YELVERTON NOTICEBOARD**
Cllr Sheridan is looking into different options for the maps. The general objective is to include the cycle routes, local facilities and local history.
- 343/21 AN UPDATE WITH REGARD TO THE EXTERNAL TAP**
Cllr Fowler is working on getting the tap installed and it will be fitted at some point.
- 344/21 AN UPDATE WITH REGARD TO THE MAPS AND DISPLAY BOARDS.**
This has already been discussed in 342/21 above.
- 345/21 TO CONSIDER A WORKING PARTY FOR THE REMOVAL OF SOME OF THE ASH TREES ON THE SCRUB LAND**
Cllr Fowler has arranged for the work to be carried out. He will confirm which ones are due to be removed.
- 346/21 TO CONSIDER THE BIN PROVISION AT THE LEG O'MUTTON.**
The clerk has received a request from WDBC for the PC to consider extra bin provision at the Leg O'Mutton. Allegedly a large amount of commercial waste is being put in the residential bins. This then prevents the owners from using their bins.
It has also been noted that the playpark bin has also been used for a lot of cups from the bakery.
It was generally felt that the bin provision was satisfactory and that it would be monitored and reviewed in a few months.
An offer has been made to replace the bin at Yelverton that is in the middle of the forecourt with a new bin this would be sponsored by The Rock Inn. It was agreed that the bin could be replaced.
- Cemetery:**
- 347/21 A PROPOSAL FOR CUTTING BACK OF CORNUS ALBA SHRUBS IN THE MIDDLE HEDGE OF THE CEMETERY.**
Cllr Challis had circulated information with regards to the cutting back of the shrubs. They have long tendrils and they are taking over in places. It would be advisable for these to be cut back to enable the rest of the hedge to thrive. It was felt that this may be the responsibility of the contract. However the clerk will liaise with Cllr Challis with regard to the actual requirements. It was agreed that the shrubs could be cut back.
- 348/21 TO CONSIDER USING THE SPOIL TO MAKE A PATHWAY THROUGH THE LAND AT THE TOP OF THE UPPER CEMETERY, WHICH IS CURRENTLY LEASED FOR GRAZING.**
A quote is still being waited for.
- 349/21 TO CONSIDER THE GREEN BURIAL AREA.**
A green burial area has been talked about for some time. A short discussion was held and it was agreed that the clerk would investigate further and provide more information.

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PLAYPARK'S

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TO NOTE THE PLAYPARK ROTA.

The playpark Rota was noted, if anyone has any questions please let the clerk know. It was noted that there are currently no telephone numbers, these will be added next time.

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BUCKLAND MONACHORUM-ANY UPDATES

a)To consider work to the wall between the playpark/cemetery and road. There have been a number of small collapses recently.

A section of the wall has collapsed onto the road. Cllr Baird and the clerk met a contract to obtain a quote for a repair. It was noted at the time that the sections of the wall either side are leaning forward and these would need to be repaired at the same time. Also to assess the state of the rest of the wall vegetation will need to be cleared off. It was agreed that the club were looking to quotes clearing vegetation and repair of the wall. It was agreed that the work needs to be done and can be carried out.

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UPDATE ON CRAPSTONE PLAYPARK

No further updates at this time.

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BMPC COMMUNICATIONS (NEWSLETTERS, SOCIAL MEDIA, PRESS ARTICLES).

If anyone has anything for Moorlinks please let Cllr Cheadle know.

It was suggested by Cllr Woollacott that post was put on Facebook with regards to the remaining hedge in the Cemetery being removed and replaced.

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UPDATE ON PARISH PATHS (P3) AND OTHER FOOTPATH MATTERS. (CLLR WOOLLACOTT)

All is in order at the moment.

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HIGHWAY MATTERS: ANY TO BE REPORTED AND UPDATES.

The money for the lengthsman has been agreed by DCC. Cllr Woollacott will arrange the clearing of the paths as per the grant request.

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ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Please forward any items to the clerk.

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FUTURE MEETING DATES :

Wed 10th Nov – Planning at (7pm) followed by finance committee at (7.30pm)

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Meeting closed at 9.30pm