

MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL

Tuesday February 11th 2025 at 7:30pm

The Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce

MINUTES

Present: Cllrs L King (Chair) J Johnson (Vice Chair) H Chadbourne-Doyle, R Fife, G Hadjigeorgiou, T Hazard, P Hyde and R Rolls

In attendance: J Savage (Deputy Parish Clerk) and Cllr S Smith (GBC)

- 25/2342** **Apologies for absence** - Cllr Y Greenfield (Work) and Cllr M Adams (NCC)
- 25/2343** **Council members' declaration of interests for items on the agenda** - None
- 25/2344** **Minutes from previous meetings**
- i) Minutes of the meeting held January 14th 2025, approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.
 - ii) Minutes of extraordinary meeting of the Full Council 29th January 2025 amended - Cllr Chadbourne-Doyle no apologies were sent. Chair signed and dated amended minutes.
 - ii) Matters arising (not covered by the agenda) - None
- 25/2345** **Co-option of councillor (if application received)** - None received
- 25/2346** **Opportunity for questions from members of the public (15 minutes)** - No members of the public present
- 25/2347** **County Councillor's report** - Cllr S Smith verbal update on behalf of Cllr Adams: Apologies for tonight's meeting. Great to get the feedback from residents on the £50000 upper catchment flood works, have had a positive effect and flooding hasn't occurred on Main Street. Work starts on the new crossing in Bulcote, a crossing secured by Cllr Roger Jackson and Cllr Adams on the 25th of Feb. New highways trees appeared on Church Road and throughout the highway in Carlton East, funded by the County Council. Burton Joyce library remains open, unlike many neighbouring upper tier authorities. Also had confirmation for the removal of the bus plug on Burton Road has been successful, and funding approved by the Cabinet member for Highways and Environment.
- 25/2348** **Borough Councillor's report** - Cllr Sam Smith provided an update. Reported clearing of flood water. Temporary closure of public bridleway Willow Wong Burton Joyce due to surface damage and deep rutting of the narrow and enclosed field edge bridleway. Water leak/discharge of water from adjacent field which is flowing extensively onto the bridleway. Options of how Highway Authority can enter the land to initially access the cause of the water leak and solutions by working with the adjacent landowner(s) to look at the most appropriate and sustainable solution in repairing and protecting the bridleway's surface. The bridleway has been extended to a year-long closure, but the aim is to get the works completed as soon as practical and open the path soonest.
- Local government reorganisation: The leaders of the 9 councils are working together with all options to be 'on the table' for review. Options to be then reviewed by PWC on 14th February, with the selected workable options open to public consultation. All 9 councils to have outlined their proposals and endorsed options to Government on 25th March 2025. The outcome will be known in Autumn 2025. Election for May 2027/28 to potentially be scrapped.
- 25/2349** **Update from meeting with Trent Valley Councillors** – Next meeting 11th February to be rescheduled
7.50 Cllr S Smith left the meeting
- 25/2350** **Finance matters**
- i) Bills for Payment for January 2025 - approved to pay
 - ii) Late Bills for Payment for January 2025 - approved to pay
 - iii) Bank Reconciliation - checked and signed by 2 signatories

- iv) D Dixon as Internal Auditor and Rialtas Business Solutions to carry out year-end accounting process - approved

25/2351 Correspondence - Strengthening the standards and conduct framework: Noted Cllrs links to undertake the survey as an individual councillor previously circulated. The NALC deadline 2nd February 2025 to consider response to consultation.

25/2352 Annual Meeting of Full Council and Annual Parish Meeting - Date agreed Tuesday 13th May 2025 for both

25/2353 Committees: To consider the following:

- i) **Amenities:** Minutes of meeting held on 20th January 2025 - received and noted
- a. Approval to purchase New Kubota as a replacement for Kubota Ride on Mower. Use of £4000 from ear-marked machinery replacement reserve, with part-exchange/sell Countax Mower towards cost. Quotations received as circulated c.£4400 + VAT
 - b. Approval to purchase replacement for the Stand-On Mower from CIL reserve with part-exchange/ sell Scag Mower towards cost. Quotations received as circulated c.£10500 + VAT

Pricing to be confirmed when purchase discount and maximum part exchange/sell has been negotiated.

Thanks were extended to David List and RFO Clare Brett for their work. Agreed RFO to list all expensive machinery (within Assets register), 'lifespan' and investigate if maintenance packages were available. Add equipment replacement to reserve fund.

ii) **Planning:** Minutes of meeting held on 14th January 2025 - received and noted

iii) **Finance & General-Purpose Committee:** No further meetings held in January 2025

iv) **Poplars Sports Ground Committee:** Minutes of meeting held 5th February 2025- received and noted:

- a. Agreed to defer authorisation of repair to leak on water tank add to next Finance & General-Purpose Committee

Cllr Rolls update: 3G inspection to take place. CCTV has been fixed. Number plate recognition being reviewed with quotes being obtained also to take into consideration the purchase of new machinery/equipment and stored at the Poplars. PWLB ends this year to be reviewed. FA discussions to be considered. To consider large equipment purchases be added to the Poplars Committee (moved from Amenities). Noted electrical testing will go ahead as this is legal requirement (RFO in process of obtaining quotes)

v) **Community Engagement:** Minutes of meeting held on 22nd January 2025 - received and noted. Cllr G Hadjigeorgiou update: Looking for greater co-ordination within the village and a more collective diary. The school have coordinated their Garage Safari with the Pop-up Food Fayre. The Christmas light switch-on is the same day as schools Christmas fair on Saturday 6th December 2025.

vi) Cllr Y Greenfield reviewing events with Live & Local and availability of Village Hall.

vii) **Community Garden Committee:** A meeting held was held on 10th February with a contractor and will be progressed. 7pm meeting of the Committee 10th February postponed due to illness.

25/2354 Strategy Working Group: Membership of working group agreed: Cllrs L King, H Chadbourne-Doyle, G Hadjigeorgiou, R Rolls and J Johnson with a meeting date is to be arranged.

25/2355 Information update: Cllr P Hyde: An injury on the allotments resulted in an ambulance requiring access. John Jackson (Severn Trent Estate Manger) agreed for his contact mobile number to be added to the notice boards on the allotments with the Parish Office land line, access code will be given. Access to the allotments is via Station Road.

Meeting closed 8:35pm

Date of next meeting 11th March 2025 at 7:30pm

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Chair of Burton Joyce Parish Council