

MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL

Tuesday November 14th 2023 at 7:30pm

The Old School Building, Main Street, Burton Joyce

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

In attendance: J Sherrin (Clerk) and Cllr S Smith (GBC)

MINUTES

- 23/2174** **Apologies for absence** – Cllr R Rolls (prior engagement) and D Yates (sick)
- 23/2175** **Council members' declaration of interests for items on the agenda** - None
- 23/2176** **Minutes from previous meetings**
- i) Minutes Full Council September 12th 2023 – Approved as a true record and duly signed by the Chair.
 - ii) Matters arising (not covered by the agenda – for information only) - None
- 23/2177** **Opportunity for questions from members of the public (15 minutes)** – No members of the public present
- 23/2178** **County Councillor's report** – Cllr M Adams gave his apologies and provided the following report: Crossing works complete, will be switched on soon. Nottingham Road has had most of bonding coating applied, next week will be the final surface being laid. More hot box PATCHING completed on: Brusty place, Church Road and more scheduled for Langham Drive. Reported pot holes on Bulcote drive and Woodside Rd. Speed Cameras due end of the month
- 23/2179** **Borough Councillor's report** – Cllr S Smith provided an update. He and Cllr Adams had worked with villagers and flood wardens during the recent floods. The camera works, gutter clearing and other alleviation measures undertaken previously had helped reduce the flooding. There still remains a problem at the bottom of Lambley Lane, with popped sewage covers. Severn Trent Water will investigate. £80k has been spent on 'leaky dams' for the Crock Dumble to try and resolve this issue. Lamp post poppies have been installed around the village in collaboration with the British Legion. New bench outside the Co-Op should be installed in December. CCTV is being installed on Main Street outside old Post Office, due to be reviewed by GBC Planning shortly. Noted BJPC have had the consultation letter and have submitted that a less obtrusive style of pillar would be preferable. Cllr Smith advised he will liaise with the relevant officer on this and find out what area the surveillance camera will cover. Crow Park Drive residents have been visited to listen to the concern of the Glebe Farm development causing them problems from water run-off.
- 23/2180** **Finance matters**
- i) Bills for Payment for October 2023 – Unanimously approved to pay
 - ii) Late Bills for Payment for October 2023 - Unanimously approved to pay
 - iii) Accounts to end September 2023 – Received and noted
 - iv) Bank reconciliation approved by 2 signatories, Cllrs King and Chadbourne-Doyle
- 23/2181** **Correspondence** – None
- 23/2182** **Village Centre Development** – Potential impact on increased parking on Main Street from change of use of Methodist Church considered. Cllr Smith noted that

enforcement are very proactive. He will chase where Cllr Adams / NCC are with the parking review.

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Committees: To consider the following:

- (i) **Amenities:** Minutes of meeting held on September 26th 2023 received. Prior approval of purchase of pro-safe gate noted. War Memorial ramp – memorial repair specialist to be contacted by D List. Concerns raised re smashed glass in playground recently. CCTV cameras an option.
- (ii) **Planning:** No further planning meetings in October
- v) **Finance & General Purpose Committee:** Minutes of meeting held on 19th September 2023 received.
 - a. Introduction of publication of quarterly statements of expenditure above £500 noted. All supply contracts over £5k to be published.
 - b. Over-spend on budget code 100/4120 Professional Fees reviewed. Noted that this had been a necessary overspend to protect the Old School Building as a village asset. Initial spend was to seek security of tenure on the lease following the request from the Trust to surrender it. Subsequent legal fees have been due to the instruction from the Old School Trust to only communicate via solicitors. Future governance of the Trust has become a significant issue. The Parish Council's aim it to protect the buildings and the funds for the community. Overspend unanimously approved, so come from General Reserve.
- (iii) **Poplars Sports Ground Committee:** Minutes of meeting held 18th September 2023 reviewed and noted. Carlton Cricket Club merger with Burton Joyce Cricket Club supported and approved. D List thanked for assistance with film crew. All staff and volunteers thanked for participation in Fireworks display. Noted holding one big display should reduce the number of private displays taking place during this period.
- (iv) **Community Engagement:** Minutes of meeting held 5th September 2023 received and noted.
 - a. Network Rail Crossing – Minutes of meeting held October 5th 2023 received. Noted NR is pressing hard to closed crossings, with Lee Road and the Nelson crossings under particular threat, which would have a profound effect on the village. Cllrs remarked that this is a national problem, not just in Burton Joyce. Proper analysis is required for assurance that all that can be done has been. Cllr King to write and circulate a position paper to stakeholders – school, village society, NCC, GBC before Christmas. Agree to have another meeting with NR in January with community consultation in the spring. J Savage to organise January meeting.
- (v) **Old School Building Phase II Committee:** No meeting held in September 2023. Update on plans from Designer provided. Designs in need of further work and conversation before wider consultation with the community.

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Appointment to working groups and committees – Cllr T Hazard appointed to Finance & General Purpose Committee. Cllr R Rolls appointed to the Old School Trust Working Group.

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Information update: Cllr T Hazard is no longer a school governor.

Cllr Smith left 8:15pm

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the remaining items are minuted separately

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Date of next meeting: Tuesday December 12th 2023 at 7:30pm

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Chair of Burton Joyce Parish Council