

BURPHAM
VILLAGE COMMITTEE AND PARISH MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 06 December 2016
at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall

Those attending: Paul Challen (Chairman)
Marion Tucker (Secretary)
Val Belton (Treasurer)
Julie Tester (VH Hire Co-ordinator)
Ron Chapple (Village Hall)
Kevin Foster (Cricket)
Paul Dendle
Bob Baynes
Chris Hales
Bonny Hamilton
Mark Bullen (part-time)

Action

1. **Apologies**
Apologies were received from Heather Birch and Ed French.
2. **Minutes of the Last Meeting**
The minutes of the meeting held on 4 October 2016 were signed as a true record.
3. **Village Hall**
 - (a) The guttering is still to be investigated..
 - (b) Car Parking: Chris has the remaining notices re “access for emergency vehicles” which still need to be put down one side of the Street. There was discussion on the need to keep the vegetation around the edges cut down, to allow vehicles to park nearer to the fence, and Bob is to apply weedkiller to this vegetation towards the end of the winter.
 - (c) The website for the village hall would appear to be operating satisfactorily.
 - (d) Minor repairs are required to the handrail from the back emergency exit. Exterior light bulbs have been replaced where necessary by Ron.
 - (e) Ron has adjusted the doors of the notice board adjacent to the VH so that they are easier to shut. Marion asked whether it would be possible to get some interior backing for the board, to make it easier to insert drawing pins.
 - (f) Currently, bins are emptied only once a fortnight during winter months, which appears satisfactory and which is a cost-saving.
 - (g) The Norfolk Estate has again donated a Christmas tree for the Village Hall.
4. **Planning**
 - (a) Mark Bullen gave details of the proposed works, mostly interior,

planned for Flintwood.

(b) Chris stated that planning permission to divide Thatched Barn cottage and barn into two separate properties had been submitted.

5. Treasurer Report

(a) The accounts for the period 6 April – 6 December 2016 are satisfactory.

(b) Investments are slightly down, but the markets are currently extremely volatile.

6. Secretary Report

(a) Paul Challen has obtained permission from Highways to trim back the plant growth along Forge Road, as necessary.

7. Councillor Dendle Report

Cllr. Dendle reported on the repair of the water leakage at the junction of the Burpham road with the A27.

Since ADC has not yet drawn up a Local Plan, it is expected that 1,000 new homes will be built within their area.

8. Social

(a) The Film Evening on Sat 29 October was very successful.

(b) The next event is the Children's Christmas party on Sunday 11 December.

(c) In the new Year, a Call my bluff wine tasting is to be organised for Sat 28 January and a Shuffleboard evening for Sat 25 February.

(c) Paul Challen will do the mulled wine for the gathering after the carol service on Sunday 18 December, Bob to do a short speech of welcome and information. Marion will publicise this via email.

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MGT

9. Any Other Business

(a) Deborah O'Reilly has put up some bird feeders in various places in and around the village, which she monitors regularly to ensure they are not attracting vermin.

(b) There was discussion on bonfires, and the problems from their flying ash and smells. It was agreed that Bob should put a piece in the next newsletter asking if people could refrain from having bonfires until late afternoon or early evening.

RB

10. Date, Time and Venue for Next Meeting

Tuesday 7 February 2017 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Agreed as a true record:

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Date:

for Burpham and Wepham Village Committee and Parish Meeting