

203
BUNNY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held in the
Village Church on Thursday 15th June 2023

Cllr. Featherstone, Cllr .Beckford,, Cllr. Cannon,
Cllr. Stubbs, Cllr Webb

Clerk Linda Price

1.Apologies for Absences Received

Cllr. Barrett

2.Declarations of Interest

School Project Cllr. Stubbs

28 Moor Lane planning app - Cllr Webb and Cllr. Stubbs

3.Acceptance of Minutes from May Meeting

Signed and accepted, although Cllr. Featherstone asked us to point out the Annual Parish Financial and Annual Parish Statement is available to read on the website and Bunny Bulletin.

4. Public Comments

None.

5. Correspondence

A letter was received from the solicitors regarding ownership of the land where the substation is located. We have been in correspondence with them for a few months and Bunny Parish Council do not have any documents to say that this land is owned by themselves. The solicitor suggests we could apply for title deeds however a cost of around £1500 could be incurred. Cllr. Adair who is our elected representative on Notts County Council will ask them if they have any documentation to show it was passed to Bunny in the 1960's before anything further is undertaken.

A solar farm is being proposed towards Wysall, at the top of Bunny Woods. This is only at consultation stage, however the clerk attended a public exhibition at Costock, from EXAGON, and an apology was received for not mailing the residents of Bunny. The Community Engagement officer for Exagon has offered to attend the next parish meeting in July at Bunny and this was fully accepted by the Council. The clerk is to write to confirm. If any parishioners would like to comment the email for feedback and a survey is oldwoodenergypark@exagen.co.uk.

Church Street- The residents have sent further comments to the clerk regarding the danger of Church Street speed and parking. Cllr. Adair has kindly offered to take this forward to Notts County Council to see what can be done to improve matters. No response was received from the complaint letter sent by the clerk earlier in the year.

Page1

RSVCSG (Rushcliffe Community safety Group) Minutes were received from the recent meeting detailing speedwatch training, rural crime policing units, fly tipping. The council are looking for interested members of Bunny to take an interest in this committee. A group of three individuals have kindly offered to run the speed gun project. They would welcome more volunteers.

6. Clerks Report

The clerk has made contact with Appliance City, and they will contact her again shortly with ideas for them to support the village.

With regards to the new proposed bench, the clerk has emailed local companies to see if they can give us a quote, for supply and fitting.

7. County and Borough Reports

Cllr Edyvean was welcomed to the meeting as the new Rushcliffe Ward Councillor representing Bunny. He reported on East Midland Airport and a consultation to have quieter aircraft, and their community fund that is available, which has special interest in reducing carbon projects. Bunny Energy Group will pick this up. He also expressed condolences to the people affected by the recent tragic event in Nottingham, as did the Parish Council. Thoughts are with everyone affected.

Cllr Adair was also in attendance and has kindly offered to pursue a couple of items as detailed above.

8. Finance

The AGAR information has been placed on the website and timings and details. Should anyone wish to inspect the accounts, please contact the clerk.

The balance of the account was healthy, and the clerk relayed that the savings account was only receiving 1.19% from Natwest Bank. Cllr. Beckford was appointed to write a savings policy and find a better savings vehicle for the funds.

The VAT claim has been posted to HMRC.

The Coronation spend came in at £491.53. Cllr. Featherstone has done a brilliant job of keeping this well under budget.

The council agreed previously to pay Jeff Wilson for the repair of the disabled toilets which the clerk will attend to.

The normal monthly bills were paid, coronation expenses plus -

Keys Cut Village Hall £34.50

Octopus Energy £350.87 (being refunded by the school)

Jeff Wilson £180 Coat hooks village Hall

ADT fire alarm repair and maintenance £1763.76 (refunded by insurance) £250.88

David Dixon account audit £100.00

Waterplus 63.87

Grass cutting first bill NCC £252.00

Annual Insurance public liability £606.27

The council also agreed payment of the annual Norton Protection for the PC laptop.

9. Policy Reviews

The clerk has indicated that most of the Parish council policies need renewing in line with procedures.

Standing orders last updated 2019, Financial regulations no date to indicate last update. Cllr. Stubbs to look at with clerk and present an update to the council .

A fire risk policy and risk assessment also to be added and updated. Clerk to report back to council when new ones are written.

10. Emails and Website

Clerk has the agreement from our website provider that they are happy to work along with the member of public who has shown an interest and to update the website. A report will be brought to a future meeting for a decision.

Parish Email addresses are used by all parish councillors, ways to improve them are being looked at regarding using Gov.org.uk

The clerk is to write to the Editor of the Bunny Bulletin to update all councillors details.

11. Community

The parish council agreed that Cllr. Featherstone was to look into finding a Bunny Emblem which can be used on our website and official emails and letters.

A confidential matter was also discussed.

12. Rushcliffe Planning Applications

The council had no information to add to the 3 certificates of lawfulness requested by Rushcliffe Planning.

23/0605/Ful 28 Moor Lane -no objections

23/02311/Ful Hillside Farm- objects on the same reasons as previously being the infrastructure does not support this development, and the road safety is an issue.

13. Highways and Environment

Bunny Energy Group have produced a statement at their last meeting. Contents are below.

REPORT TO BUNNY PARISH COUNCIL from BUNNY ENERGY SOLUTIONS WORKING GROUP

At the meeting on 7th June 2023, the Working Group considered advice from Ruth Mulvany, the Principal Rural Energy Project Officer of Midlands Net Zero Hub -Rural Community Energy Fund. Matters relating to the generation of sustainable energy were given consideration including wind turbines, solar energy and the electrolysis of water to produce hydrogen.

As a result, the Working Group unanimously decided to recommend to the Parish Council that the Working Group seek further advice from Midlands Net-Zero Hub and Share Energy, a company which specialises in the provision of sustainable energy, with a view to seeking a Stage1 feasibility study grant. This will enable the Working Group to consult technical specialists and undertake research in order to recommend to the Parish Council how best to

proceed in its ambition to enable Bunny village to achieve Net-Zero CO2 emissions, prior to consideration by public meetings of Bunny residents.

David Beckford
John Berridge
Vivien Keller-Garnett
Chris Rogers
Nigel Sutton.

The parish council voted in full agreement for the Energy Group to continue in this. The clerk will add the statement to Bunny Bulletin and the website.

Defibrillator- Cllr Stubbs discussed how in other villages they had fully trained people on call to use it. He will follow up with villagers who have shown an interest and also to discuss buying new pads for the existing ones.

14. Co option -This item was moved up to no 4

John Berridge sent a proposal to the clerk to be co-opted on to the council in regard to the vacant places, that have been recently advertised. The statement was read out.

John Berridge was proposed by Cllr Stubbs, seconded by Cllr Webb and full acceptance by the council was received. Cllr Berridge was welcomed on to the parish council.

This item was moved to no 4 so the new Cllr. could take part in parish council matters.

15.Items for Next Agenda

Community
Policies

The meeting finished at 21.14 .

The next meeting will be in the Parish Church on 20th July 2023 at 7pm