

BURRINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Burringham Parish Council, held on Wednesday 17th May, 2023, at 6:05pm at Burringham Village Hall, following the Annual Parish Meeting.

Present - Cllr R Kissaglis (Chairman), Cllr S Roach (Vice-Chairman), Cllr C Brown, NLC Ward Cllr J Walshe & 3 Members of the public. A further member of the public arrived at 18:15 hours.

01.05.2023 - Appointment of Chairperson.

Nominations were invited for the position of Chairperson by Cllr S Roach. Cllr. S. Roach proposed Cllr. R. Kissaglis be re-elected, this was seconded by Cllr. C. Brown. All Councillors present agreed unanimously. Resolution - Cllr. R. Kissaglis accepted the position for a further term and took the chair.

02.05.2023 - To note the election results and acceptance.

The Chairman confirmed the election results and acceptance papers were duly signed by the Councillors present in the presence of the Clerk.

03.05.2023 - Apologies for absence.

None.

04.05.2023 - Declarations of Interests - The Parish Council's (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2011

None.

05.05.2023 - Appointment of Vice-Chairperson.

Cllr. R. Kissaglis asked for nominations for this position and proposed Cllr. S. Roach be re-elected, this was seconded by Cllr. C. Brown. All Councillors present agreed unanimously. Resolution - Cllr. S. Roach accepted the position for a further term.

06.05.2023 - To consider any applications for co-option for the current 2 vacancies.

The Parish Council considered the applications for the 2 current vacancies. The 3 applicants left the room whilst these were considered by the Parish Council. A vote was held.

Resolution - Jon Liddall & Jenny Frankish were voted to be the elected onto the Parish Council and duly accepted and signed acceptance forms.

07.05.2023a. - Minutes - To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th March, 2023.

The Parish Council considered the minutes dated 27.03.2023.

Resolution - The Parish Council confirmed the minutes dated 27.03.2023 were a true and accurate record.

07.05.2023b. - Matters arising from the minutes.

None.

08.05.2023 - Report from North Lincolnshire Ward Councillor.

It was a pleasure to be re-elected for another 4 years and to work with the Parish Council.

The below report was read out by Cllr J Walshe on the recent 20mph installation.

Speed Limit/Enforcement Update - I have received several messages, calls and emails in regard to the speed limit/enforcement and there has also been numerous posts on Facebook and there's been lots of comments back and forth, I hope the below covers the FAQ's and answers any questions people have.

- Enforcement - The topic of enforcement is always the main topic discussed and rightfully so. The way that speed enforcement is managed in North Lincolnshire is as follows, every road in the county is ranked on how much above the speed limit the average speed on that road is, for example, if a road is a 30-mph road and the average speed is 35 mph, that road would be one of the poorer roads in the county for speeding. The roads are then ranked from worst to best and the top 50 roads receive the most enforcement from Safer Roads Humber. These are the speed vans which you will see around the county.

The police are also able to carry out their own enforcement. Speeding within the village is also priority for the ward NAT group (neighbourhood action team) the group which I chair, the group contains representatives from Parish Councils, Humberside Police, Safer Neighbours, and other organisations. This topic is discussed at every meeting and the local police are aware of the issue, however, their own priority list is spread across many areas etc.

- Why is it a 20mph limit - The answer to this question is simple, Burringham is small family village with lots of children and vulnerable people, with the school situated where it is there is often families and children walking along the High Street and Stone Lane & South View Ave and of course as we know the roads are narrow and paths are narrower. The difference between hitting someone, especially a child, at 20 mph instead of 30 mph or more is simply life or death.

Driving at 20 mph does seem extremely slow and of course will take some getting used to for everyone, however, the last thing anyone in the village wants is a fatal accident.

• Why the speed limit will make a difference - The most important question is why all of this work and money spent will make a difference, for reference I have been lobbying and working behind the scenes for approx. two and a half years to get to the point where we are at now, and Burringham is the only village in the whole of North Lincolnshire which has a blanket 20mph zone.

There are two phases to this, the first part is of course, naturally, I would hope that everyone will adhere to the new speed limit and everyone driving through Burringham will adhere to the new 20mph.

However, an ideal world isn't always reality, and shortly the roads are going to be re-ranked (please see above point in how ranking affects enforcement) once the roads are re-ranked because our speed limit is now 20mph and not 30mph if traffic continues to speed at the speeds it was previously, our roads will be ranked far worse than before, subsequently meaning we will then get enforcement from Safer Roads Humber. (Speed camera enforcement)

• Traffic Calming - I have seen that Traffic Calming has been discussed in a few of the threads and at face value it may seem that putting speed bumps everywhere would instantly solve the problem, however, sadly there are a lot of caveats to these. Speed Bumps encourage poor driving, often cars will speed up and then break sharply as they approach the speed bump, once they have passed the speed bump, they will then speed up to a high speed again.

The noise impact speed bumps also have is important, with cars slowing down and revving back up and also the noise of the cars physically going over and over them. There is also vibration issues with older properties sat on little to no foundation and finally there is also the environmental issue of the cars stopping and starting and speeding up and slowing down.

As always if anyone has any questions, I am more than happy to answer these on this thread, over message or phone call.

A member of the public expressed concerns regarding the democratic systems in this country and that motorists will not adhere to this. A lengthy discussion took place, Cllr C Brown commented when she implemented the Community Speedwatch there were lots of offenders driving over 35mph. Cllr J Walshe explained to get speed watch enforcement the lines will be fitted, and readings will be taken.

A further member of the public attended.

09.05.2023 - Public Participation

None

10.05.2023 - (a) - Planning Applications.

None

(b) - Planning Decisions -

None

11.05.2023 - Correspondence

- email from resident re speed limit concerns - Noted and discussed under 08.05.2023
- email from resident re Village Facebook Group - Cllr R Kissaglis advised he has now had a successful meeting with the resident and advised this is not a Parish Council matter, nor do they run the Facebook Group.

12.05.2023 - Chairperson's & Vice Chairperson's Report.

Vice Chairmans Report

Residents are concerned youths are littering following visits to the local shop. Further bins have been requested. It was identified that the further bins could be positioned next to the muga, inside the play area and near the seats in the play area. Cllr J Walshe agreed to approach NLC to see if these can be provided free, as they are not in the Parish Council budget for this financial year.

The Parish Council should try to represent the village at the NATS meetings. Cllr J Liddall will attend when his shifts permit. The next meeting is scheduled for 8th August at Gunness Village Hall.

It would have been better if NLC had looked in to the 20mph situation 18 months prior and expressed concerns at the reducing number of police on whether they can carry out enforcement.

Congratulations to Cllr J Walshe on his re-election.

Chairmans Report

Concerns raised that road rage incidents have increased due to the reduction in the speed limit.

The garage security has now been successfully upgraded.

The grass cutting is going well and hopefully we can make the savings predicted.

Concerns over the HGV parking near to the village bus stop. Cllr J Walshe will raise this issue at NATS and speak with PC Hayes.

13.05.2023 - To receive any update from Cllr S Roach on the Summer Outing.

Cllr S Roach advised the coach is now sold out for the trip which is now to Beamish Museum. He advised he will be driving the coach voluntarily to keep the cost down. The balance for the trip will be due a few weeks prior.

14.05.2023 - To receive any update on the land enquiry request.

Member of the public expressed his concerns that he submitted an enquiry regarding a piece of land in January 2023 and has not yet received evidence that the Parish Council own the land. A discussion took place and Cllr R Kissaglis explained he had been busy over the last few months and will deal with the enquiry as soon as he is able. The other Councillors present offered to arrange a meeting with Cllr R Kissaglis to offer their assistance on the issue. Cllr J Walshe advised it was not mandatory before 1995 to register land and advised Cllr R Kissaglis the procedure to follow.

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed for this to be included on the next meeting agenda for an update and for a decision to be made for approval to sell the land in question.

15.05.2023 - To elect a Child Protection Co-Ordinator.

Keep on agenda for the next meeting.

16.05.2023 - Councillors Reports.

None

17.05.2023(a) - Accounts for payment

The following payments were considered for payment -

D Wattam - £442.14

P Donnelly (expenses) - £58.79

B Kissaglis (expenses) - £25.19

K Tennison - £400

Deposit Bus Trip - £50

J Routh (Internal Auditor) - £225

Resolution - The Parish Council agreed the invoices to be paid.

17.05.2023(b) - To receive and approve the Internal Audit Report 2022/2023 and determine any actions required.

Resolution - The Parish Council received and approved the Internal Audit Report 2022/2023 and agreed no further action required.

17.05.2023(c) - To approve the Annual Governance Statement 2022/2023.

Resolution - The Parish Council received and approved the Annual Governance Statement 2022/2023.

17.05.2023(d) - To approve the Accounting Statement 2022/2023.

Resolution - The Parish Council received and approved the Accounting Statement 2022/2023.

18.05.2023 - To confirm the next meeting as Monday 19th June 2023.

This was agreed.

Meeting closed at 19:04 hours.

Private Session

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

The Chairman will move that the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item(s) of business pursuant to section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, in that it is of a personal matter.

19.05.2023 - Payroll Information - To approve payment of salaries as per salary schedule circulated.

Resolution - That all payments be paid as detailed.

Meeting closed at 19:06 hours.