

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF BULKELEY AND RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2019**

Present: - Councillors Idina Hastings, Linda Gaden, David Edwards, Peter Groves, James Weddell, Mike Dixon, Sue Dixon, Jonathan Knight.
CEC Cllr Stan Davies. Mrs Ruth Shackleton (Clerk).

1. **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Mike Hassall.

Councillor Andrew Mitchell has submitted his resignation from the Council; the Council formally thanked him for his years of service as a councillor.

2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Councillors were invited to declare pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests arising from matters on the agenda.

None were declared.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Resolved:- that the Council approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th November 2018. Proposed by Cllr S Dixon and seconded by Cllr Gaden.

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- Bickerton Churchwardens:- letter of thanks received for the recent donation.
- CHALC Annual Meeting:- this has been postponed; Cllr M Dixon is due to attend.
- LEP Meeting:- Cllr M Dixon is due to attend.

5. **OPEN FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

6. **POLICING**

Report from the Police Cluster Meeting:-

Cllr Hastings circulated the report from the meeting held on 9h January 2019.

Only details of crime and disorder were available due to technical problems with the new police computer system.

For the 3 months 1st October to 1st December, 79 crimes were recorded. Most of the violence against the person (27) and public order offences (14) and criminal damage (15) were between hunt supporters and saboteurs. Apart from those crimes, there were 7 burglaries, 1 drug offence, 1 other offence, 3 sexual offences, 10 theft/stolen goods, and 1 vehicle offence.

No offences were recorded in Ridley. In Bulkeley there was one public order when someone shouted at someone and blocked her path, and one violence against the person when threats were issued over an unpaid debt.

7. **FINANCIAL REPORT**

7.1 To accept and approve the following payments:-

The Council approved the following payments:-

Chq No	Reason	Amount
233	DONATION:- Bickerton Church	£ 250.00
234	Mr N Jones (cutting grass) (replace lost chq 223)	£ 250.00
235	Kevin Jones (replace lost chq 222)	£ 180.00

236	Running Costs	£ 19.60
237	Bickerton Village Hall (Room Hire)	£ 27.50
238	DONATION:- North West Air Ambulance	£ 100.00
239	DONATION:- First Responders	£ 100.00
240	J Jones – village maintenance	£ 75.00

The Clerk was paid by Standing Order.

Balance at bank as at 01/02/19:- £2,864.76

Resolved:- The above payments were proposed by Cllr Weddell and seconded by Cllr Knight.

Receipts:-

None received.

8. **PLANNING UPDATE**

8.1 See the Planning Applications register attached for details of all applications received

8.2 Mill Lane Planning Application:- the Council agreed to send two representatives in the event that the planning application be called before the Planning Committee.

9. **HIGHWAYS**

Junction of the A49/A534 at Ridley:- no further update regarding the speed limit.

10. **VILLAGE MAINTENANCE**

- John Jones has taken over from Kevin Jones to carry out maintenance in the village.
- There were nine cuts of the playing field carried out last year by Mr N Jones – the Council paid for ten cuts. Mr N Jones is due to carry out the final tenth cut.
- The Council considered buying replacement goal posts for the playing field.

Resolved:- The Council agreed to pay up £300.00 towards a set of goal posts at the playing field.

Proposed by Cllr Weddell and seconded by Cllr Groves.

11. **SANDSTONE RIDGE FESTIVAL**

The Council considered the request for financial assistance and agreed to promote the event on the Facebook page and website.

12. **SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY**

Resolved:- The Council agreed to adopt the Social Media Policy. Proposed by Cllr Weddell and seconded by Cllr Hastings.

13. **PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE**

The Facebook page has been launched –

<https://www.facebook.com/bulkeleyandridleyparishcouncil/>.

The Council intend to use the Facebook page to publish notifications of Council meeting dates agendas, minutes and vacancies. From time to time the Council will share information from partner agencies such as Cheshire East Council, the Police, Library, NHS etc. In addition, the Council will use the site to promote positive events, services and activities in the local area as recommended by residents.

14. **BICKERTON VILLAGE HALL**

Cllr Hastings updated the meeting regarding the recent works at BVH which included the resurfacing of the car park; carpeting of the stairs and upstairs room.

15. **CLERKS REPORT**

Nothing further to report.

16. **CORRESPONDENCE**

The list of correspondence received has been distributed to councillors.

17. **NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

The date of next meeting is Tuesday 14th May 2019.

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