

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BURLAND PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE GOODWILL HALL ON 14th SEPTEMBER 2020**

PRESENT: Cllr G Denny Chairman (in the chair)
Cllr J Pochin Vice-Chairman
Cllr S Thompson Cllr M Warburton
Cllr J Scott Cllr G Samways
Cllr R Clough

APOLOGIES: Cllr J Thomas Cllr A Morris

ALSO PRESENT Dr. M Bailey (Clerk/RFO)
Cllr Stan Davies (Cheshire East)

756 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Thomas and A Morris.

757 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

There were no declarations of interest.

758 MINUTES – 13th JULY 2020

RESOLVED: Members resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council held on 13th July 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

759 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from the above minutes.

760 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

761 FINANCIAL MATTERS

761.1 Authorisation of Payments

£498.76	Dr MJ Bailey – salary payment for Clerk (August/Sept 2020)
£124.69	HMRC for months 5 and 6 of the tax year (Clerk's salary)
£40.00	Information Commissioner's Office (Annual Fee)
£41.40	Shires Pay Services (Payroll Costs M4-M6)

RESOLVED: The above payments were approved by the Council

761.2 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1st April 2020-31st August 2020)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2020-31st August 2020 was presented to Members for note.

762 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Stan Davies (Cheshire East Council) attended the meeting and reported that several repairs to roads were being carried out.

763 COVID-19 REVIEW

It was reported that Cllr Thomas was still in touch with volunteers and vulnerable people and help may be required if another lockdown takes place.

764 HIGHWAY MATTERS/SPEED WATCH

The Parish Council considered issues relating to highways in the parish and affecting the parish.

The Council had received correspondence from Cheshire East regarding, among other things, gritting in the parish. This will be included as an agenda item at the next meeting.

The issue of footpaths in the parish had been raised by a resident. It was agreed that the paths are not in a good state. This will require cutting back hedgerows and the Council will have to write to landowners. It was also noted that there are hedge issues by the pub (Farmer's Arms) and it was agreed to write to the new tenants about this matter.

764.1 Flooding in the Parish

Cllr Pochin reported that he will chase up the Environment Agency/Cheshire East Council to see when the report will be available.

764.2 Road Safety Issues

Cllr Pochin reported that he had received correspondence from the local MP including a response from Cheshire East about the road safety situation. Cllr Pochin reported that Cheshire East had not responded to his particular issues but had referred to the difficulties in changing speed limits. Cllr Pochin will contact the MP again and ask that Cheshire East recognise their duty of care and carry out an audit into road safety. Members reported that there had been further accidents on the main road.

764.3 Speed Gun

It was reported that there had not been much activity and it was agreed that Cllr Thompson would send a text around to gauge interest. It was further reported that Brindley and Faddiley Parish Council were keen to take part and it was agreed to send contact details for Cllr Tina Long to Cllr Thompson. It was also agreed to order signs for the area asking drivers to cut their speed.

752.4 Location of SID

Cllr Clough reported that the SID needs to be repaired and an invoice will be sent to the Council for payment on repairing a broken cable. It was agreed to locate both SIDs to Burland and Clerk will contact TWM for software.

753 PLANNING MATTERS

The Parish Council considered planning issues affecting the parish.

753.1 Planning Applications

20/3712N The Poplars, Hollin Green Lane, Burland CW5 8NN
Variation of condition 2 on approval 19/4267N.

The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

754 COMMUNICATIONS/SHARED INFORMATION

- National Pay Award 2020 – this was noted, and additional pay applied to Clerk’s salary
- Defibrillator – the defibrillator was used, and the Council needs to contact the Ambulance Service. A local resident fixed the system and the Council will send thanks. It was noted that the system needs to be checked on a weekly basis and Cllr Thompson said she would do this, availability permitting
- Enforcement Issues – no updates
- Insight Magazine – Cllr Thomas will action this – the Chair will email Cllr Thomas
- Cllr Thompson – reported that a tree needs to be removed on Swanley Lane
- Cllr Thompson – reported that the dip in the road on Swanley Lane is still a problem and needs to be reported

755 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 12th October 2020.

.....Chairman

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm and concluded at 8.35pm