

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BURLAND PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE GOODWILL HALL,  
FADDILEY ON 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Cllr J Thomas	Chair
	Cllr S Thompson	Vice-Chair
	Cllr J Scott	Cllr G Samways
	Cllr M Warburton	Cllr B Rushton
	Cllr S Stott	

<b>APOLOGIES:</b>	Cllr R Clough	Cllr M Wood
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<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>	Cllr S Davies (Cheshire East Council) Dr. M Bailey (Clerk/RFO)
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**PART A**

**903 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs R Clough and M Wood.

**904 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.

The following declarations were made by Members at the meeting: -

- Cllr Rushton – declared a personal and pecuniary interest on the item referring to planning enforcement – refers to own property

**905 MINUTES – 12<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)**

**RESOLVED:** Members resolved that the minutes of the extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 201 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**906 REPORT OF THE CLERK/CHAIR**

The following matters were raised by the Clerk/Chair from the above minutes.

- Update on planning enforcement issues – this will be considered in Part B.
- Broadband Updates – Cllr Scott reported that she had chased up Airband and Connecting Cheshire but still waiting for approval of their build plans.
- Burland Community Action Group – Cllr Stott reported that she had looked at sites of past flooding with landowners and Cllr Thompson will speak to residents on Wrexham Road. Cllr Thomas said that a lot of hedges have been cut back.
- Police Cluster Meetings – it was reported that the next meeting will be on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Goodwill Hall. Cllr Thomas will attend with Cllr Samways.
- Lay-by – no issues were raised.
- Crowdfunding – maintaining watching brief on this.
- Cheshire East Community Governance Review – Cllr Thomas attended session on the process and asked about feedback from Cheshire East Council. It was agreed that parishioners should have their say on proposal. The deadline for comments is 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and there may need to be a public meeting about this. The proposals will mean eight councillors for a bigger area.
- Healthwatch – Cllr Wood was asked to go onto the committee.
- ‘Go Wild for Wildflowers’ – this initiative asks for pictures to be taken of road verges and to send them to the organisers who will plot the locations of wildflowers in the area (via the Cheshire Wildlife Trust).
- Poppy Wreath – agreed to purchase a wreath for Remembrance Sunday on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
- Defibrillator – Clerk to send contact to Cllr Thompson

**907 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

There were no members of the public present. No issues were raised.

**908 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**908.1 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.21-31.8.21)**

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021-31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 was noted by Members.

**908.2 Authorisation of Payments**

£468.36	Dr MJ Bailey – salary payment for Clerk (July/August 2021)
£117.08	HMRC for months 5 and 6 the tax year (2021-22) (Clerk's salary)
£40.00	Information Commissioners Officer (Data Protection Annual Registration)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Members **APPROVED** the above payments.

**909 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Cllr Stan Davies (Cheshire East Council) attended the meeting and reported that there have been a number of senior management changes at CEC; there is a backlog in planning of around 900 applications; and still considering when garden bins will be collected.

**910 COVID-19 UPDATE**

There were no updates raised at the meeting.

**911 HIGHWAY MATTERS/SPEED WATCH**

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

**911.1 Road Safety Issues**

Cllr Thomas reported that residents had contacted her about the canal bridge as work is being done on an house and this has led to pavement blockages and people being unable to pass. Cllr Thompson reported that this has now been moved. It was reported that, further on towards Nantwich on the main road, people cannot walk on the pavement with a pram. It was requested that the pavement is cleared of soil and vegetation. It was agreed that CEC will be contacted about this matter.

**911.2 Speed Gun**

Cllr Thompson reported that she had been out twice with the speed gun and caught around 22 vehicles speeding. Will now go out in the morning/mid-afternoon.

**911.3 Location of SID**

Cllr Rushton reported that the SID has not been working and will ask Cllr Clough to have a look at it. The data will also be downloaded.

**911.4 Gritting in the Parish**

An update will be provided at the next Parish Council meeting.

**912 PLANNING MATTERS**

There were no matters for the Parish Council to considered under this agenda item.

**913 COMMUNICATIONS/SHARED INFORMATION**

- Housing – it was reported that an empty house in the parish is being used as a business and there have been complaints about rubbish in the area.
- Fun Day – 18<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at the Goodwill Hall

**914 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

**915 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

That in accordance with Paragraph 1(2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item owing to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

**916 PLANNING APPLICATION 20/0336M**

It was agreed to escalate this matter to the Local Government Ombudsman.

.....Chairman

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and concluded at 8.55pm