

LONG BUCKBY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2016

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

- 1.1 APOLOGIES** – J Christie (work), M Osborne, S Osborne (meeting), District Councillor Chris Millar
- 1.2 PRESENT** – M Owen, G Spokes, S Spokes, D Stoddart, P Townsend, R Vivian, A Webb, J York and 4 members of the public
- 1.3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD MONDAY 8TH AUGUST 2016** were agreed as a true and correct record and were signed and dated by the Chairman.
- 1.4 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**
Non Pecuniary Interest: Nil
Disclosable Pecuniary Interest: Nil

2. MATTERS ARISING

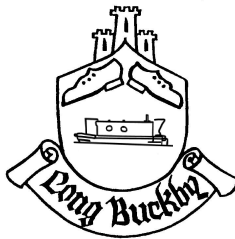
- 2.1 Long Buckby Wharf - Boat mooring restrictions** – A Webb reported that the hedge has been trimmed back from the existing 48-hour restriction signs. Additional signs have been installed on both the North and South side of Newbridge. There is a new enforcement officer from the Canal & Rivers Trust and A Webb will arrange a site meeting with him.
- 2.2 Long Buckby Wharf Village Hall** – The Hall will be registered in the name of the Village Hall Committee.
- 2.3 HGV's through the village** – R Vivian advised that there are two limit options available to the Parish Council, Amenity and Structural. These were both explained to the Parish Council and the decision made that a restriction is not a suitable idea at present.

3. PUBLIC TIME – C Myers advised of the consultation process which is headed by District Councillor Barry Frenchman and involves interviews with Parish Councils over major planning applications. Should any Parish Councillor wish to participate then they should inform the Clerk within the next few days.

4. COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORTS – Apologies sent, no reports this month.

5. BUSINESS

- 5.1 Parish Hall** – Following the recent land registration of the Parish Hall the decision needed to be made as to the future of the building. Vast amount of expenditure would be needed for repairs. A Webb proposed that the building is sold, seconded by M Owen, and with 7 votes in favour and 1 against, this was carried. D Stoddart asked that a local Estate Agent be approached for advice of selling the property either with or without planning permission, seconded by R Vivian and all voted in favour.
- 5.2 Double Yellow Lines – Lime Avenue/East Street** – The Parking Officer at NCC will be approached and ask that double yellow lines are considered at this junction. This was agreed by all. The traffic wardens will be asked to patrol The Leys out of hours to deter the bad parking just off the High Street junction, which is causing access problems for residents.



5.3 Public Meeting re Parking Improvements – Rockhill Road & Watson Road – Following the meeting held earlier this evening, there will be a consultation/survey produced by NCC for the residents of these roads. The information will be collated and this will be discussed at the meeting in October as to the way forward.

5.4 NCC – Annual Waiting Restriction Review 2016/17 - Proposals for a 2-hour parking restriction from Monday to Friday 9am to 6pm, in the bays outside the Sportsfield, Station Road were discussed. It was agreed by all that this needs to be deferred until the problems in Rockhill Road and Watson Road are addressed, to avoid more congestion in these areas.

5.5 BDO – External Audit Report 2015-16 – The Parish Council noted that the Auditors found nothing to report and thanks were given to the Clerk for another successful Audit.

5.6 DDC – Ageing Well Consultation – The information produced by DDC following the consultation within the village was passed to J York, who along with M Owen, will meet with the DDC Officer and discuss the plans for the future.

5.7 Long Buckby Youth Centre – Following a Risk Assessment produced by D Cadd, this has been passed to the Parish Council for action. Various issues have been raised with the regards to the fabric of the building and its condition. This item will be deferred to October, so that G Spokes and S Osborne can visit the site and M Owen will also ensure that the building and the lease renewal is discussed at the next Sportsfield Committee meeting at the end of September.

5.8 DDC – Part 2A/B Local Plan Evidence Based Methodologies – Technical Consultation 2016 Land Availability Assessment Methodology & Settlement Hierarchy Methodology – The Parish Council have no comments to make and consider the timescales are unacceptable.

5.9 DDC – Rural Exception Sites in the village – This item will be deferred to the October meeting.

5.10 Long Buckby Wharf – The George Lane sign has been stolen following the demolition of the wall by the dustbin truck. DDC have agreed to replace the sign in November.

5.11 Automatic Enrolment Pension Scheme for Clerk – The Parish Council noted the automatic scheme which comes into force in 2017, the PC are asked to contribute 2% of the Clerk's salary into the NEST scheme provided.

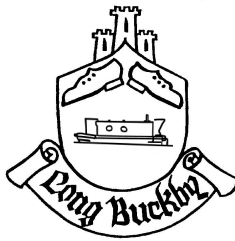
6. FINANCE

6.1 Expenditure Update – latest copy supplied to Councillors

6.2 ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID

It was agreed by all that the following accounts be paid:

Chq No 4984	S Porter	Clerk Salary – August 2016	£ 944.04
	S Porter	Expenses – August 2016	£ 60.44
Chq No 4985	HMRC	PAYE – August 2016	£ 100.67
Chq No 4986	G Kenning	Street Warden – August 2016	£ 1,539.00
		Litter Picking/Street Maintenance	£805.00
		Weed Maintenance	£50.00
		Cemetery -	£329.00
		Allotments -	£90.00
		Hanging Baskets/Troughs -	£265.00
Chq No 4987E-On		Public Toilets – August 2016	£ 22.75
Chq No 4988DACT		Parish Transport – August 2016	£ 57.77
	DACT	Annual Affiliation Fee 2016-17	£ 25.00
Chq No 4989	E-On	Un-metered Street Lighting – August & Sept 2016	£ 2,346.46
Chq No 4990	United Charities	Poors Land Lease 2016-17	£ 1,100.00



Chq No 4991	S Porter	Website Maintenance April-September 2016	£ 520.00
Chq No 4992	S Hartwell	Recreation Ground Mowing x 2	£ 288.00
Chq No 4993	Enterprise	Bin Hire/Emptying Oct-Dec2016	£ 224.64
Chq No 4994	Aylesbury Mains Street Light Replacement – The Poplars		£ 1,539.60
	Aylesbury Mains Street Light Repairs Sept 2016		£ 118.92
Chq No 4995	LBGS Committee A4A Grant Expenditure – Cotton End Park		£ 215.55
Chq No 4996	BDO	External Audit 2015-16	£ 480.00
BACS	Miles Smith	Insurance Renewal – Long Buckby Youth Centre	£ 154.50
BACS	Miles Smith	Insurance Renewal – Parish Hall	£ 216.01

TOTAL £ 9,953.35

PAYMENTS RECEIVED

Pittam	Cemetery Services	£ 55.00
John Ward	Cemetery Services	£ 78.00
White & Joyce	Cemetery Services	£ 40.00
Underlin	Cemetery Services	£ 274.00
Kevin Matthews	Cemetery Services	£ 272.00

TOTAL £ 719.00

BALANCES AT BANK £ 55,834.37

7. PLANNING

DA/2016/0665 – First floor side extension and single storey rear extension – **21 Ashmore, Long Buckby**

No Objections

PLANNING PERMISSIONS GRANTED

The following planning permissions were noted by the Parish Council:

DA/2015/0666 – Reserved Matters application for construction of 107 dwellings – **Land to the East Side of Station Road, Long Buckby**

DA/2016/0571 – Two storey side extension together with single storey extension to the rear – **37 Station Road, Long Buckby**

PLANNING APPEAL

The following planning appeal was noted by the Parish Council:

DA/2015/1167 – Demolition of existing garage. Construction of detached dwelling, new access and off road parking – **Land at 67 Station Road, Long Buckby**

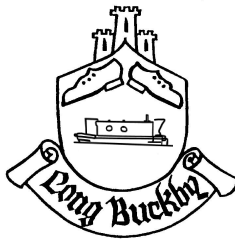
8. COUNCILLORS REPORTS and RISK ASSESSMENTS

8.1 Cemetery – Nothing to report

8.2 Allotments – Nothing to report

8.3 Public Toilets – Nothing to report

8.4 Cotton End Park – The project using the A4A Awards grant is progressing, with ditches dug and hedges cut. An inauguration of the WW1 memorial cairn has taken place.



9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Listed Buildings Training Course – 20th-21st October 2016 – S Osborne will attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

9.2 CPRE Autumn Roadshow – “Strategic Planning in Northamptonshire” – No interest.

9.3 NCC – Pathfinder 2 Flood Resilience Project – The Parish Council noted the comments but will respond by saying that funding is needed for the village as demonstrated at the meeting held earlier in the year at the Fire Station.

9.4 Mill Park Reserve – Vandalism, misuse of picnic tables and anti social behaviour – The e-mail sent by the Committee was read out by the Chairman, the comments were noted and R Vivian stated that there had also been vandalism of the picnic bench in the Recreation Ground.

9.5 NCC – Station Road Closure from 7th to 25th November 2016 – This was noted.

Meeting Closed: 8:33pm