

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF BUNBURY PARISH COUNCIL  
19 July 2021**

**PRESENT:** Councillors M Ireland-Jones, Chairman, P Brookfield Vice Chair  
Councillors, N Parker, M Thomas, A Thomson, L Davies and L Gregory

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 2 Members of the public, Sue Briggs-Harris-Press

Marilyn Houston, Clerk to the Parish Council was self-isolating and unable to attend. Cllr L Gregory acted as Clerk and took the minutes. Marilyn Houston joined the meeting by phone to provide advice and information as required.

**OPEN FORUM**

Residents spoke regarding their objections to planning application 21/2010N Land West of Parkside including that it is outside the settlement boundary. Isobel Noonan will attend Southern Planning.

Isobel Noonan will ask Cllr Pochin about the CE planning website which was still saying CE has staffing issues.

Cllr Ireland-Jones informed the meeting that this application is due to be considered by the Southern Planning Committee on 28 Jul 2021. The application had been called in and will be discussed under Planning Matters in the agenda

The Cricket Club needs to find a new ground. Members agreed it was an important part of the village and should be supported.

Cllr Ireland- Jones thanked the speakers and explained that the PC had noted their comments.

**19.07.01 APOLOGIES**

Cllrs Melia, Potter and Griffith.

**19..07.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

Members were invited to declare any personal interest (non-pecuniary) or disclosable 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.

Cllr Ireland-Jones. declared a personal interest in agenda item 15.4 Beeston & Tarporley Station Project. He was happy to speak for information as he is the Secretary, but would not vote.

**19.07.03 MINUTES  
(PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS)**

The Chairman asked all Members if they approved the minutes of the Annual Meeting on 14 March and the Parish Council Extra Ordinary meeting on 30 June 2021.

**RESOLVED:** to approve the minutes.

**19.07.04 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Deferred.

**19.07.05 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

The Chairman invited Members to give a brief report on any matters they were aware of, not covered by the agenda.

Cllr Brookfield reported on police training for volunteers for using the speed gun. The police have a list of those previously trained. New volunteers can be trained from September, if the PC can suggest dates. Cllr Thomson is willing to volunteer.

**19.07.06 PLANNING MATTERS**

**19.07.06.1 Planning applications, reserved matters and discharge of conditions applications received from Cheshire East since last meeting.**

**21/3435N The Cottage, Bunbury Common Rd, CW6 9QE.** Single storey extension of entrance hall and utility room and garage extension.

**RESOLVED:** No objections

**21/2010N Land West of Parkside for comment by 22/7 had been received after the agenda was published.** This was a slightly amended plan. The PC was able to consider further comments

**21/2010N Land West of Parkside, Bunbury Lane, CW6 9QZ** Outline planning application for demolition of one dwelling and erection of up to 15 dwellings, access off Bunbury Lane Wording email

**RESOLVED:** Bunbury Parish Council objects to the application for the reasons previously given. This application is due to be considered by the Southern Planning Committee on 28 Jul 2021. Cllr Thomson will attend and speak all objections made by the PC

**19.07.06.2 Decisions made by Cheshire East Council – For information only.**

**21/2198N 19/04/2021 South (CE) Delegated Agenda.**

**Decision : approved with conditions Decision Date : 23/06/2021**

**Location : Yew Tree Villa, Bunbury Lane, Bunbury, CW6 9QU**

**Proposal:**

**Side extension of two storey to provide extended living room and additional bedroom**

**21/0344N 03/02/2021 South (CE) Delegated Agenda**

**Decision : refused Decision Date : 06/07/2021**

**Location : Trigfa, School Lane, Bunbury, CW6 9NR**

**Proposed 5 bedroom detached dwelling**

**19.07.06.3 New Housing Development- Update**

Cllr Ireland-Jones reported that there was nothing new. There is a need for the Neighbourhood Plan to be reviewed in light of Supplementary Planning Documents. This will be an item for the September agenda.

**19.07.07 DELEGATED DECISIONS**

Cllr Ireland-Jones reported on decisions made under delegated authority since the May ordinary meeting

Approved gate repair awaiting invoice from Reeves and asked for a quote to repair the pedestrian gate'

Gaskells have been asked to provide an additional large bin in the car park at a cost of £14 a month, as the problem of overflowing bins has become urgent.

**19.07.08. PLAYING FIELDS**

**19.07.08.01 General update from Cllr Parker -**

Cllr Parker had contacted CE to arrange overdue grass cutting. The Lengthsman, Chris Warburton has concerns, especially the problems with litter. More bins are on order for the playing fields but still not delivered which is very frustrating.

**The Bins-** The Cheshire East bin doesn't lock and is only emptied once a fortnight. It gets filled by the public and overflows and blows round the village Gaskells bin is weekly collection. Had hedges cut for village day and had nettles cut around play area. Thanks to Cllr Parker for work he has done. The Playing Fields looked good. More gloves and bags are needed for volunteers.

**19.07.08.02 Any other matters –** Cllr Ireland-Jones reported that -

Cllr Brookfield and the Secretary, Marilyn Houston have discussed the need to schedule meetings of the Playing Fields committee now that restrictions have lifted and following a phone call from a Trustee. A meeting will be arranged for September. There is outstanding business to deal with. The Playing Fields Charity needs to complete the change in constitution to a Company Ltd by guarantee rather than continue with trustees as originally. There is an urgent need to do this if redeveloping the pavilion. Also, Approval of Accounts is needed so that they can be reported to the Charity Commission.

Suggested meet in September to get committee members back together to catch up and then hold an AGM in October

Cllr Parker will liaise with the Clerk on the work that Hibberts solicitors were doing on the lease and on constitution changes. The Clerk will contact Hibberts, to get a quote for the further legal work.

**19.07.09. CONSULTATIONS** -To consider responding to any consultations on the CE website.

None.

**19.07.10. LOCAL POLICING ISSUES** – To receive an update from local police if available. None were present.

Cllr Brookfield will be attending the police cluster meeting and has suggested the Pavilion could be the venue. All of Bunbury ward is represented. The Police are aware of the van opposite Burrows and that it is not insured.

**19.07.11. SEASONAL EVENTS** – to receive information on events.

**Village day** was successful, and the takings were good. Members were glad that it went ahead. The PC thanked the committee for their hard work. Planning has started for next year and volunteers are needed.

**Halloween** - There has been a request from Lucy Oates from Early Birds Bunbury Pre-School for the use of the car park for a car boot style Trick or Treat event with facepainting, games and fundraising from 3.30 onwards. The email had been circulated. Clubs who use the carpark should be consulted.

**RESOLVED:** to agree in principle.

**Bonfire night - November 5** confirmed. September agenda to cover arrangements. Need to ask site managers for palettes and arrange delivery. No other wood is wanted.

**19.07.12. CORRESPONDENCE** – To respond to correspondence received.

It was confirmed that all items had been covered.

**19.07.13. THE FUTURE OF THE PAVILION PROJECT** – to receive an update.

Cllr Ireland-Jones reported that there will be a meeting tomorrow night with a presentation from a professional fundraiser. A surveyor has drafted some plans as a starting point. Cllr Davies will take over as Chair of the meetings from Cllr Ireland-Jones. The Village Hall is also looking for help on their committee but is fully booked so in the short term there are no issues of conflict with pavilion bookings.

**19.07.14 TOP UP HIGHWAYS MAINTENANCE SCHEME** –

There is a new Cheshire East scheme to delegate local decisions and part of Highways budget to the Ward Member. There is a price list e.g empty gully £80. The first step is to put in a bid for work in the village. Cllr Brookfield attended an information session and there has been discussions with Cllr Pochin. Cllr Ireland-Jones had circulated an email with a suggested proposal for gully emptying, as a good project to start with, There are 2 areas in the village that flood with heavy rain:

1. End of School lane with junction of A49, we need to count the drains but less than 10 but we don't know how they link up and where the blockage may be so we may need jetting as well, the main culprits seem completely blocked with mud.

2. End of Bunbury Lane opposite Yew Tree, again less than 10 - similar to School Lane, needs some investigation.

**RESOLVED:** to put bid in and look for other projects but would need to pay out of the precept for additional work. Cllr Thomas suggested another drain in School Lane that could be added next.

**19.07.15. FINANCE MATTERS:****19.07.15.1 Approval of payments: -****19.07.15.1.2 Reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses.**

M Ireland-Jones

Website hosting for Bunbury Parish Council at IONOS.

December to June 2021 @ £6.00 per month - £36.00

Timpsons.Replacement keys for Pavilion - £13.55

**Total amount £49.55**

**RESOLVED** to approve

**19.07.15.1.1 To approve payment of invoices received.**

None outstanding.

**19.07.15.2 FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS TO MAINTAIN AND UPDATE THE WEBSITE**

The village website which includes the Parish Council pages is maintained and updated by volunteers who are not able to continue. The PC pays the costs incurred such as website hosting. Members will need to consider the following options:-

1. To attempt to recruit replacement volunteers. Perhaps students or a new IT business would do this. Wordpress is used and can easily be trained. It is information based not about social media.
2. To pay for this service. Could cost £20 to £100 a month. Possibly seek sponsors.  
**Cllr** Ireland-Jones will continue for the next few months whilst asking around .He will contact Tarporley High School.

**19.07.15.3 Monthly Finance Report** – The Clerk had circulated a report of receipts payments and bank balances for the 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 2021.

Suggest questions can be answered by clerk in emails.

**19.07.15.4 BEESTON & TARPORLEY STATION** Request for a donation of £250 to go towards match-funding.

This is sponsored by the local MP. Mike Flynn is the Chair An email had been received about a feasibility study to be part funded locally to show the project is supported. Local Councils and the LEP have been approached.

The PC have supported the reopening, in principle, before.

**RESOLVED** to donate £250 and to write to the treasurer to confirm the donation.

**19.07.16. AN ANNOUNCEMENT** - Cllr Ireland-Jones is resigning from the office of Chair of Bunbury PC due to his change of circumstances. The following options were on the agenda:-

1. To ask the Vice-Chair Cllr Brookfield to act as Chair in the short term. To put the election of Chair (and if necessary, Vice-Chair) on the agenda of a future meeting.
2. To elect a new Chair and if necessary, a new Vice-Chair at this meeting.

Cllr Ireland-Jones explained he was moving out of area so was standing down as Chair but will remain as a Councillor, in the short term, for continuity. He thanked everyone in particular, Nick and Pam and Marilyn for her support and knowledge. All returned his thanks. He thanked Reverend Tim Hayward and Dave Ellis for their work on the community scheme. Also, Jeff Clarke for looking after the Pavilion. He thanked Sue our local journalist whose reporting is very fair and has a key role in the village.

An election was held for the position of Chair. Cllr Brookfield was elected unanimously.

An election was held for the position of Vice-Chair. Cllr Thomson was elected unanimously

There is no meeting scheduled for August the next meeting will be on 8 September.

UNCLASSIFIED

..... Chair

Draft