

**MINUTES OF THE BULFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 17 APRIL 2023**

Present: Cllrs D Morrison (Chairman), G Jenkins (Vice Chairman), S Cannon, S Turner, T Simpkins, M Ibbotson, M Tunnacliffe

Apologies: Cllrs: None

In attendance: Wiltshire Councillor M Verbinnen, Mr A Smith (Caretaker to Bulford Village Hall)

Apologies by Representatives: WO2 D Wood - Support on behalf of Squadron (SSM)

Council in Informal Session

1.1	Cllr Verbinnen reported that Wiltshire Council has been given millions of pounds of government funding to spend on improving its roads. The money will go towards resurfacing roads, road markings, replacing traffic signs and fixing potholes.	
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Council in Formal Session

2.1	Approval of the Minutes of the Bulford Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 March 2023 The Minutes were approved as a true record.	
3.1	Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Bulford Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 March 2023 The Clerk confirmed that the fire extinguisher replacement and other recommendations from Walker Fire have been actioned.	
4.	To receive Members' Declarations of Interest - None	
5.	Co-option of a new Councillor - None	
6.	Chairman's report The Chairman announced that Cllr Tom Simpkins would no longer be a member of the Parish Council due to other commitments. Council thanked Cllr Simpkins for his commitment and service whilst serving on the Parish Council.	
7.	Clerk's Report on Finance The Clerk reported a bank reconciliation figure of £54,696.77 on 31 March 2023, and confirmed that Council is operating within budget. Council authorised the following payments in April 2023 Gavin Jones Ltd Monthly Grounds Maintenance - £832.99 Litter pick and bin emptying on Telegraph Hill - £186.19 Parish Clerk Expenses Broadband, mobile phones, No Dog signs, Perspex sheet, VH supplies - £126.29 Cllr T Simpkins Expenses Tree guard and plaque for Queens Green Canopy - £220.27 Landford Trees Tree for Queens Green Canopy - £84.08 Caretaker Expenses Repair of camp notice board - £77.72 Caretaker Cover	

	<p>Additional hours for month - £16.08 EDF (Gas) - £212.45 Opus Energy (Electric) - £69.52 WATER2BUSINESS (Water) - £137.34 Receipts and refunds March 2023 Village Hall (£1,212.00) + Football Pitch (£160.16) Income = £1372.16 Village Hall refunds due to booking cancellations = £72.00</p>	
8.	<p>Standing Agenda Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning applications that have been called in by a member of Council - None. • Village Hall - Procedures and Administration – No report currently 	
9.	<p>Other Agenda Items</p> <p>a. Date of Annual Public Meeting – The annual public meeting will be held on Monday 15th May 2023 at Bulford Village Hall starting at 6.00 pm.</p> <p>b. Decorating the Village Hall - Mr Alan Smith (Caretaker to Bulford Village Hall) tabled a proposal and schedule of work for decorating the village hall. The Clerk pointed out that there is no provision in the current year's budget for decorating the village hall. After discussion the Clerk was actioned to include this item on the agenda at the next meeting.</p>	Parish Clerk
10.	<p>Reports by Councillors having Special Responsibilities including Representation on other bodies</p> <p>Parks Cemeteries and Allotments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report currently 	
	<p>Highways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A site at Bulford Camp, where a SID can be deployed, has been identified. The SID is currently located at the top of Milston Road. • It is not advised to power the old Sid with solar power as it is too troublesome and unreliable. It is suggested that a permanent position for the device is found and replace the batteries intermittently to meet with Wiltshire Unitary Council guidance. The 2 locations suggested are on the approach to the village from Durrington or Bulford Drove before the sharp bend. • At a recent presentation on the intended usage of SID data to enforce speed limits, it is noted that the standard of data was encouraging, and it will be for the Police and Crime Commissioner to decide whether to expand the scheme further. Speed Enforcement Officers are now using data to position themselves to catch speeding motorists. • At the next LHFIG Cllr Jenkins will look to progress the double yellow lines, pedestrian crossings, and improved cycleway signage. 	
	<p>Town & Country Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL/2023/01841 -Installation of a military radar mast, radar antenna and finials, together with associated ground-based equipment cabin and fencing, and associated works at Beacon Hill. No comment. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL/2023/01882 – Avondale School, Bulford – retention of temporary classroom for a 5-year period (last approved for a 5-year period in 2018 under 17/11338/FULL). No objection. • PL/2023/02442 – Old Coach Road, Bulford. Pollard Willow tree and Ash die back work. No objection. • PL/2023/02613 - 15 Water Street, Bulford. Tree Work - Remove 3 x Leylandii and 1 old Xmas tree. No objection. • PL/2023/02323 - Service Accommodation in Hampshire Close, Dorset Close and Churchill Ave. External wall insulation - part of a programme being carried out on the older properties on the Camp or in the Village. All building regulations will be fully monitored by the County Planners. No objection 	
	Parish Steward Liaison	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Parish Steward will be repairing potholes. 	
	Rights of Way - No report currently	
	Village Maintenance Contract – No report currently	
	Village Hall Committee	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Cannon gave Council an overview of the Village Hall improvement works and order of priority, with the focus on the roof. This matter is ongoing. 	Cllr Cannon
	Area Boards (representation on “Other Body”) - No report currently	
	Young People’s Recreational Facilities (Caretaker to report through the Clerk) – No report currently	
	Police Liaison – No report currently	
	Supervision of Parish Accounts	Cllr S Cannon
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Cannon reviewed the parish accounts and confirmed that they are in order. The next review is planned in April 2023 	

Date of the next meeting

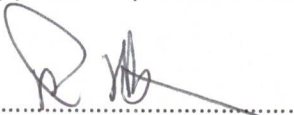
Monday, 15 May 2023

N. A. Grove

Date: 25th April 2023

Clerk to the Council

Approved by Council as a true record



Chairman of Bulford Parish Council

Date: 15 May 23

