

Old Buckenham Parish Council

**MINUTES of meeting of the Old Buckenham Parish Council
held on Thursday 6th February 2020 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall,
Old Buckenham**

Present: Councillors J Hicks (Chair)(JH), S Milner (SM), A Joel (AJ), M Farrington (MF)

In Attendance: R Noyes (Clerk), Oliver Lee

Also present: 7 members of the public

Minute		Action
20.02.01	Apologies for absence Apologies received from AN and TC. BD absent but no apologies received.	
20.02.02	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2020 Minutes APPROVED (4 in favour)	
20.02.03	To receive reports of matters arising from those minutes: for update and information only Met Office Tower Update: No response to our initial response. Therefore propose to object. APPROVED (4 in favour)	
20.02.04	To record declarations of interests not already recorded in the current Members' Register of Interests None	
20.02.05	Public Participation relating to agenda items only None	
20.02.06	Financial Matters a) Financial Report Community account balance: £33,179.05 No income received b) Payments to be approved: Gemini Accounting (fees): £200 R Noyes (salary and expenses): £254.47 Broadland Tree Services (xmas tree): £540 NALC Course: £96.00 NALC Course: £72.00 OBVH Room Hire: £54.00 L Gedge (comm car): £76.05 E Jolley (comm car): £46.35 D Kessler (comm car): £75.15 TOTAL: £1,414.02 Precept Grant submitted: £20,385.00 Payments APPROVED (4 in favour)	
20.02.07	Oliver Lee Report Oliver Lee gave a detailed presentation about his analysis of the Village Green. He initially analysed its composition, appearance and use. From these findings, Mr Lee highlighted the need to create a more cohesive feel to the Green, a clearer boundary around the Green and how different areas could be developed. Several suggestions were put forward to achieve a clearer boundary and also more cohesive appearance, which included wooden bollards at	

	<p>each approach to the Green, using gravel spray grip on the roads to clearly indicate to motorists that they are entering the Green area, and selective mowing of the boundary and paths could help minimise the divisive impact of the road. He also felt that parking for the playground could be developed with the possibility of an informal gravel 'square' near the Ox and Plough could have several uses including parking and an event space. Additional suggestions of raising the canopy of some trees, additional tree planting and seating around the Green could also be beneficial. Some of the suggestions would need approval from Highways. The VGWP and PC will look at these suggestions and decide if any would be suitable for the Green in the future.</p>	
20.02.08	<p>To consider planning applications and to receive Breckland District Council's decisions made on any planning applications received before the meeting: (All planning applications are available for viewing on the Breckland District Council planning portal – www.breckland.gov.uk/article/2933/Search-Planning-Applications - Parish Councillors have been asked by the chairman to view the new applications in advance of the meeting)</p> <p>a) New Planning Applications</p> <p>i)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0016/HOU PROPOSAL: Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, garage extension and change of roof direction LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Bramble House (formerly Karmel) The Green Old Buckenham APPLICANT: Mr Jonathan Kemp</p> <p>The PC had no problems with the plans for the property and therefore proposed to SUPPORT the application, on the condition that any damage done to the track in front of the property by construction vehicles be repaired (4 in favour).</p> <p>This led to a discussion about recent construction work in the village and the consequential parking of vehicles. There were strong feelings about some vehicles continuously blocking footpaths, causing residents to walk on dangerous roads around them. The formulation of a "delivery plan" during the application process was suggested.</p> <p>ii)REFERENCE: 3PL/2019/1401/F PROPOSAL: Residential development of 9 dwellings and associated external works. LOCATION: Land South of March Field Way Old Buckenham APPLICANT: Places for People CASE OFFICER: Naomi Minto AMENDMENT: Revised plans with additional information received</p> <p>The developers have purchased additional land on which to build. The PC felt the need to show consistency and therefore proposed to OBJECT (2 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstain)</p> <p>iii)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0071/F PROPOSAL: Erection of new poultry shed adjacent to poultry shed no. 7 and erection of associated 3 feed silos and removal of existing outbuilding. Provision of new steel shed adjacent to poultry shed No. 1 LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: The Farm Doe Lane APPLICANT: Poplar Pigs (Buckenham) Ltd</p> <p>Propose to SUPPORT (4 in favour)</p>	

	<p>iv)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0113/HOU PROPOSAL: Proposed Front Entrance hall extension and alterations LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Nivelles Fen Street APPLICANT: Mr Graham Turner</p> <p>Propose to SUPPORT (4 in favour)</p> <p>b) Planning Decisions by Breckland Council</p> <p>i)REFERENCE: 3PN/2019/0062/UC PROPOSAL: Prior approval for Change of use of agricultural building to a dwelling (permitted development) Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 Schedule 2, Part 3, Class Q LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Roughlands Farm Grove Road APPLICANT: Mr R Richards CASE OFFICER: Mark Simmonds</p> <p>The above application has now been considered and the application has been REFUSED.</p> <p>ii)REFERENCE: 3PL/2019/1164/PIP PROPOSAL: Permission in principle for erection of four detached dwellings LOCATION: Land to the west of 49 Hargham Road Old Buckenham APPLICANT: Askew & Partners CASE OFFICER: Mark Simmonds</p> <p>The above application has been withdrawn.</p> <p>iii)REFERENCE: 3PL/2019/1567/HOU PROPOSAL: Proposed Alterations, Extension and Garage Conversion LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: SkyFall Cake Street Old Buckenham Norwich APPLICANT: Mr J Lockwood CASE OFFICER: Sandra Bunning</p> <p>The above application has now been considered and the application has been APPROVED.</p>	
20.02.09	<p>Proposed Changes to Green Rights Regulations PC were informed of updated name of Green Rights Owner</p>	
20.02.10	<p>Health and Safety Policy JH has updated policy.</p>	
20.02.11	<p>Reports:</p> <p>a) Chairman's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Buckenham have published Neighbourhood Plan and kindly sent us a copy. Councillors are currently reading through. • 9th March new date for joint PC and VH meeting in memorial room at 7:30pm. • Struggling to find workman to complete work for gate through to Chapel Green MUGA 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Managing of jobs for handyman to be given to VGWP for regular maintenance jobs such as strimming round posts etc. <p>b) Village Green Working Party (VGWP) Bats found living in a tree due for cutting back. Environmentalist needed to assess.</p> <p>c) Road Safety Have mobile SAM sign, which will be used in conjunction with fixed one to monitor speeds throughout the village.</p> <p>d) Play Area Work not quite finished due to wet weather. Inspection date of 25th Feb.</p> <p>e) Recreation Area Waiting for dryer weather in order to roll grass for football pitch. Trees will then be planted at far end. Corner to be sectioned off to protect orchids growing there.</p> <p>f) Councillors Reports MF: Another accident at Puddledock. Need to look at speed preventative measures such as illuminating warning signs. SM: Talk about recent visit to Antarctica. Village Hall 14th March 7:30pm.</p>	
20.02.12	To consider items for next agenda Ox and Plough Agreement	
20.02.13	To confirm date of next Parish Council meeting to be held on Thursday 5th March 2020 at 7.30pm to be held at Old Buckenham Village Hall Confirmed	