

Old Buckenham Parish Council

**MINUTES of meeting of the Old Buckenham Parish Council
held on Thursday 1st October 2020 at 7:30pm via Zoom**

Present: Councillors J Hicks (Chair)(JH), S Milner (SM), A Joel (AJ), T Cook (TC), A Nicholls (AN), B Devlin (BD), M Farrington (MF)

In Attendance: R Noyes (Clerk), R Kuhl (Open Reach)

Also present: 4 members of the public

Minute		Action
20.10.01	Apologies for absence None	
20.10.02	New Councillor Naomi Bailey (NB) co-opted on to the Parish Council (7 in favour)	
20.10.03	To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 3rd September 2020 APPROVED (6 in favour, 2 abstain)	
20.10.04	To receive reports of matters arising from those minutes: for update and information only None	
20.10.05	To record declarations of interests not already recorded in the current Members' Register of Interests BD declared an interest in Planning Application 3PL/2020/1007/F	
20.10.06	Financial Matters a) Financial Report Community account balance: 38, 884.08 Precept Received (included in above balance): £10,192.50 b) Payments to be approved: Crispin de Boos £35.00 I Kerridge £130.00 S Barker £90.00 D Kessler £36.90 Gemini £200.00 R Noyes £211.50 Westcotec £105.00 TOTAL: £808.40 Payments APPROVED (8 in favour)	
20.10.07	Ryan Kuhl from Open Reach Ryan Kuhl had kindly agreed to attend the meeting to highlight the Government's Rural Gigabit Connectivity programme to encourage groups of residents and businesses to access funding towards the installation of FTTP (Fibre to the Property) and answer any questions. There are a list of 111 properties in Old Buckenham that have been identified as needing this service. Businesses can access vouchers up to £3500 of vouchers and each residential property can access £1500 of vouchers. Open Reach has been working with Better Broadband for Norfolk to help identify areas in need of help. Ryan highlighted that through this scheme, residents would continue to have more choice over their broadband provider and stay within a competitive market, whereas with other schemes, residents would be tied in to the one provider. When asked about expected speeds and prices, Ryan stated around 150mb/s at a cost of around £35 a month, for both new and existing customers. Ryan is happy to be contacted and	

	answer anyone's questions. (MF lost his internet connection at this point of the meeting and was unable to re-join)	
20.10.08	Public Participation relating to agenda items only None	
20.10.09	<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: 3PN/2020/0044/UC PROPOSAL: Prior approval for Change of use from light industrial (Class B1(c)) to a dwelling (Class C3). (The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended) -Schedule 2, Part 3, Class PA LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Rosedale, Fen Street APPLICANT: M Hall</p> <p>No objections. Propose to support APPROVED (8 in favour)</p> <p>ii)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0979/HOU PROPOSAL: Removal of the existing single-storey extension, new two-storey extension, replacement windows and new external cladding. LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Tall Trees, New Buckenham Road APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs Nick Clarke</p> <p>No objections. Propose to support APPROVED (8 in favour)</p> <p>iii)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/1007/F PROPOSAL: 40 additional camping pitches & 40 additional touring caravan pitches. LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Old Buckenham Country Park, Doe Lane APPLICANT: Old Buckenham Country Park</p> <p>BD explained his desire to expand his business. He addressed concerns by some residents about lighting and noise. There is a noise plan in place and has been improved to include restrictions on cars on site at night and an evening patrol to ensure rules are followed. There are no plans to extend lighting. The Country Park follows NFU guidelines on safety and they are satisfied with all safety measures No objections. Propose to support APPROVED (7 in favour, 1 abstain)</p> <p>iv)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/1016/F PROPOSAL: Construction of a new dwelling house and detached garage LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Development Site, Harlingwood Lane APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs S Hendrie</p> <p>Change from initial application for 1 house instead of 2. Concerns were again raised about the safety of the junction between Harlingwood Lane and Cake St. Propose to support APPROVED (8 in favour)</p> <p>v)REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/1010/VAR</p>	

	<p>PROPOSAL: Variation of Condition No 2 on 3PL/2015/0513/F Variation of condition 2 (approved plans and details) to allow substitution of these for as-built drawings to regularise the development.</p> <p>LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Land adj. Keele Cottage, The Green</p> <p>APPLICANT: Harts Development (UK) Ltd</p> <p>Several Cllrs were unhappy with a few details of the build not matching the approved plans. It was highlighted that the original plan for 3 storey town houses had been rejected and that the developer had now turned the attic into a bedroom, with the addition of windows. None of this was on the original plan. Many Cllrs felt it was a matter of principle that we should reject any details which did not match approved plans. Propose to object APPROVED (5 in favour, 2 abstain)</p> <p>b) Planning Decisions by Breckland Council</p> <p>The following applications have now been considered and the applications have been APPROVED</p> <p>i) REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0495/TDC PROPOSAL: Technical details consent for erection of 4 dwellings (permission in principle reference 3PL/2019/1257/PIP) LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Land to west of 22 Fen Street APPLICANT: B & D Developers Limited CASE OFFICER: Gemma Manthorpe</p> <p>ii) REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0585/HOU PROPOSAL: Erection of an outdoor Oak wooden gazebo structure with pantile roof. LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: 5 Hargham Road APPLICANT: Mrs Lucia Roberts CASE OFFICER: Naomi Minto</p> <p>iii) REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0814/HOU PROPOSAL: Demolition of existing garage and erection of single storey games room LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Orchard House, The Green APPLICANT: Mr & Mrs Coleman CASE OFFICER: Sandra Bunning</p> <p>iv) REFERENCE: 3PL/2020/0770/F PROPOSAL: The construction of an Artificial Grass Pitch (AGP) with fencing and ancillary features at Old Buckenham High School. LOCATION: OLD BUCKENHAM: Old Buckenham High School, Abbey Road APPLICANT: Mr Robert Moorhouse CASE OFFICER: Tom Donnelly</p>	
20.10.10	<p>Communications</p> <p>SM has begun to draw up a Communications Plan, which will be sent to Cllrs soon. Suggestions include creating a Facebook Page for the Parish Council and a Correspondence section on the agenda (to highlight contact via website/Facebook). Propose to create a Parish Council Facebook page, which will be run by the Clerk APPROVED (7 in favour). This</p>	SM RN

	will initially be used to inform of agendas/minutes/etc but will be developed over the following months.	
20.10.11	<p>Policies</p> <p>JH and TC had updated several Parish Council policies. Due to the volume of reading, Cllrs had received and read these policies in advance of the meeting. SM queried some minor points, which were left unchanged. APPROVED (6 in favour, 1 abstain)</p>	
20.10.12	<p>Reports:</p> <p>a) Chairman's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paper for Parish magazine to be ordered. Best price has been sourced. RFO to order. - Met Office have been in contact regarding Radar Tower. They recently visited OB to illustrate the height of the Tower using a cherry-picker. They have sent photographs of view from several locations around village. No application submitted but will expect to receive one soon. - Precept Grant form to be made available to village groups. Anyone interested should contact Parish Clerk. <p>b) Village Green Working Party (VGWP)</p> <p>Large tree branch fell on bus shelter during high winds. Thanks to local tree surgeon for cutting back and making safe. Green will be cut this month.</p> <p>c) Road Safety</p> <p>None</p> <p>d) Play Area</p> <p>Still waiting to hear from Playdale regarding date for visit to fix baby swings and complete inspection. JH/NB to chase up.</p> <p>Bins in main area emptied. Bin in toddler area locked and unable to empty although Serco have been sent key by JH. AJ personally emptied it in the meantime.</p> <p>e) Recreation Area</p> <p>None</p> <p>f) Councillors Reports</p> <p>AJ: - New tenant on allotments. Will maintain allotment rents for the next year, with a look to raise them next year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Car: only 1 driver. New drivers need to pass medical and CRB check. Struggling to find location to complete medical. Haven't actually used all of the 1st half of the grant provided. - Remembrance Sunday: 8th November Church Service at 10am. Silence at War Memorial at 11am. Traffic diversion has been approved. British Legion has recommended no door-to-door poppy collection this year and so is requesting donations be made directly to the charity. - Xmas Tree to be ordered. However, due to Covid-19, there will be no village celebration to turn on the lights. 	<p>DO</p> <p>RN</p> <p>JH NB</p> <p>AJ</p>
20.10.13	<p>To consider items for next agenda</p> <p>Covid-19 update and preparedness for winter</p> <p>School traffic</p>	
20.10.14	<p>To confirm date of next Parish Council meeting to be held on Thursday 5th November at 7.30pm via Zoom. Location to be confirmed nearer the time, subject to Government Guidelines at the time.</p> <p>Confirmed</p>	