

Minutes of the Bury Parish Council Meeting 13th November 2023

1. Attendance and Apologies for Absence

In attendance: Councillors Champness (Chair), Karen Davis, Stuart Davis, Daykin, Driver, Labarte and Morrison

Also in attendance: Mike Simpson (Clerk), District Councillor John Cross and 5 members of the public

2. To Receive Declarations of Interest, Notification of Changes to Members' Interests and consider any requests for a dispensation.

Councillor Morrison declared a pecuniary interest in planning application SDNP/23/04342/TCA. Councillors Karen and Stuart Davis declared an interest in planning application SDNP/23/03797/TCA.

3. Public Session (Members of the Public may speak for up to five minutes at the discretion of the Chair

One member of the public spoke in favour of application SDNP/23/03797/TCA.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 9th October 2023 Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes from the meeting on 9th October as a true and accurate record.

5. County Councillor reports

There was no report.

6. District Councillor reports

Councillor Cross circulated a written report before the meeting and advised that the proposed bridleway for horses on Tripp Hill should be on the other side of the road and that the owner was open to permitting one.

7. Chair's announcements

The Chair stated that good progress was being made to ensure the Link's viability for the future.

8. Planning

(a) To review the following applications

SDNP/23/03878/HOUS: Grevatts Hale Hill West Burton Pulborough West Sussex RH20 1HE: Proposed traditional oak framed extension to existing outbuilding

Councillors **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

SDNP/23/04331/TCA: New Barn House The Street Bury West Sussex RH20 1PA: Notification of intention height and width (all round) reduce by up to 1.5m on 1 no. Yew dome tree (marked as T2). Height reduce by 5m on 3 no. Leylandi tree (marked as G2).

Councillors **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

SDNP/23/04485/TPO: New Barn House The Street Bury Pulborough West Sussex RH20 1PA: Width reduce the southern sector (over the road) by up to 2m and width reduce the northern sector by up to 1.5m on 1 no. Walnut Tree (T1) subject to 98/00121/TPO

Councillors **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

SDNP/23/04342/TCA: The Farmhouse The Street Bury Pulborough West Sussex RH20 1PA: Notification of intention to crown raise by 4m by removing 3 no. lower branches on northern & southern sectors on 2 no. Ash trees. Fell 1 no. Elm tree. Remove 3 no.lowest branches over border up to 3m on eastern and western sectors on 1 no.Walnut tree. Remove 1 no. lowest branch on western sector and 3 smaller branches (above lowest branch) on 1 no. Copper beech tree.

Councillors **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

SDNP/23/03797/TCA: The Berries The Street Bury Pulborough West Sussex RH20 1PF Notification of intention to height reduce up to 2.5m on 1 no. Yew hedge (G1). Fell 5 no. multi stemmed Laurel border trees (G2). Remove 130 no. branches and stems to leave up to 3m on 1 no. Lapsed beech hedge (G3).

Councillors **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

SDNP/23/03340/HOUS: Little Meadow The Street Bury West Sussex RH20 1PA 2-storey front extension and raising the roof line

Councillors **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

(b) To consider any applications since the publication of the agenda Councillors considered application SDNP/23/04403/LIS and **RESOLVED** to remain neutral.

9 Finances

(a) Review schedule of payments and bank reconciliations since the last meeting (11th September 2023)

Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve the schedule of payments since the meeting on 11th September and the bank reconciliation from October 2023.

- (b) To consider the variance report for actual vs budget expenditure Councillors reviewed the report and AGREED to approve it.
- (c) To consider a draft budget for 2024-25

The Clerk presented the draft budget and explained some of the main forecasted expenditure. The largest item was to repair the footpath at the Recreation Ground and this was estimated to cost in the region of £8,500. It was agreed to see if there was any grant funding available and report back at the next meeting in January where the budget and precept would be finalised.

(d) To consider a grant application from Bury and West Burton Table Tennis Club
Councillors considered an application of £250 for a new table. The table tennis club had secured £250
from Chichester District Council on the basis they could raise the other half from another organisation
whereupon Councillors RESOLVED to approve it.

10. Grounds Maintenance and Highways

(a)To consider contributing to the Community Highways Scheme to reduce the speed limit on the A29

Councillor Morrison explained that the application had been positively received by WSCC Highways Dept. with final approval subject to support from a neighbouring parish and a meeting of WSCC in the new year. Highways officers had looked favourably on the speed reduction element of the application, but the removal of the second lane on Bury Hill had been discouraged as well as the hatched lines because of road safety considerations. He added that the application could be

expedited if it was funded as WSCC had received an unprecedented number of applications and could therefore take much longer for them to consider and implement it. Given the importance of this issue to the community, the Chair recommended the Parish Council allocate £2,000 in the 2024-25 budget for the works which are estimated at £9,000 which Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve. The Chair made Councillors aware of the RIC initiative to carry out a community fundraising campaign in support of this scheme, Councillors also **RESOLVED** to support this initiative.

Separately, and further to a request from Coldwaltham PC at the last meeting, Councillors discussed a joint letter with neighbouring parishes to WSCC about removing the A29 from the National Trunk Road network but decided it was best to implement the 40mph speed reduction within Bury Parish first, which should give the Trunk Road initiative a greater chance of success.

(b) To receive an update on a 20mph zone in the parish

Councillor Driver advised she had designed a survey and would present it at the next meeting.

(c) To receive an update on boat storage at the wharf

The Chair advised good progress had been made and no boats were currently located at the wharf but there were still some trailers to remove. He added that some money had been allocated in the budget for a new sign.

(d) To discuss inspections of Bury Green playground going forward

Councillor Davis said the Village Hall Working Group believed it would not be easy to find volunteers to inspect the playground on a weekly basis. She said Councillors and volunteers inspected the playground in Fittleworth and Arundel paid a company.

11. Climate Action

To consider any initiatives for the parish

The Clerk presented some initiatives the Council could adopt to reduce its carbon footprint and enhance biodiversity. Councillors agreed to investigate them and defer certain decisions to the Environment and Planning Committee.

12. Bury and West Burton Volunteers

To receive an update and consider any requests.

The Chair of the volunteers said that Apple Day was a success and made £180 profit. She also said tickets were on sale for the Christmas lunch and that Bury Primary School was in charge of the raffle and any profit from it would go to them. The volunteers were also reviewing its constitution and that Councillor Daykin had agreed to be on the committee as a representative of the Council. The clear-out of the committee room in the village hall was still underway but some documents needed to be checked by Councillors before being destroyed.

13. Village Hall

(a)To discuss the refurbishment of the village hall

Councillor Morrison said instruction had been given to the architect to apply for planning permission but, due to further bat surveys, it would not be determined until June 2024. The working group was also looking at appointing a quantity surveyor to get an idea of cost which should be early next year.

(b) To receive an update from the working group

The working group had looked at budget costs for 2024-25 and there was no large expenditure forecasted. They had agreed that the loo handles should be changed from round ones to help people with arthritis.

14. Fibre Broadband

To receive an update

The Chair explained that Openreach was still clearing ducts and cabling and the infrastructure work was proving more difficult than expected but 310 houses could connect. Councillor Driver raised the issue of how to report a power cut as the mobile network was so poor in the area. The Chair said BT offered batteries that provided network coverage for emergencies.

15. Next Meeting

15th January 2024

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Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31/10/2023 for Cashbook 1 - Bank Accounts

User: MIKE

Bank Statement Account Name (s)	Statement Date	Page No	Balances
Current Bank Account	31/10/2023		0.00
Business Reserve Account	31/10/2023		29,785.92
			29,785.92
Unpresented Cheques (Minus)		Amount	
		0.00	
			0.00
			29,785.92
Receipts not Banked/Cleared (Plus)			
_		0.00	
			0.00
			29,785.92
	Balance	oer Cash Book is :-	29,785.92
		Difference is :-	0.00

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Detailed Receipts & Payments by Budget Heading 31/10/2023

Cost Centre Report

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
100	Administration							
1076	Precept	30,337	30,337	0			100.0%	
1078	Link Advertising	1,240	0	(1,240)			0.0%	
1079	The Link	1,181	0	(1,181)			0.0%	
1080	Grants - SCC	0	4,328	4,328			0.0%	
1081	SCC Grant for Bury Green	0	2,074	2,074			0.0%	
1090	Bank Interest	242	50	(192)			484.0%	
1096	Grants-other	650	0	(650)			0.0%	
1100	FITS	1,273	1,500	227			84.9%	
1120	Miscellaneous Income	75	0	(75)			0.0%	
	Administration :- Receipts	34,998	38,289	3,291			91.4%	0
4000	Salary Clerk	9,853	13,000	3,147		3,147	75.8%	
4010	Home Working	115	150	35		35	76.7%	
4049	Playground inspection	82	85	3		3	96.5%	
4050	GM01 Wharf & River grass cut	720	850	130		130	84.7%	
4051	GM02 Bury Green grass cut	720	850	130		130	84.7%	
4052	GM03 Wharf/river seasonal	150	100	(50)		(50)	150.0%	
4053	GM04 Bury Green seasonal	140	500	360		360	28.0%	
4054	GM05 One off tasks	2,612	1,200	(1,412)		(1,412)	217.6%	
4055	GM06 B Green/VH one off tasks	741	300	(441)		(441)	246.9%	
4056	GM07 Pill Pond	412	250	(162)		(162)	164.9%	
4057	GM08 Coffin Trail	138	350	212		212	39.5%	
4058	GM09 Recreation Ground	744	750	6		6	99.2%	
4059	GM10 West Burton	0	300	300		300	0.0%	
4062	Road signs	5,782	0	(5,782)		(5,782)	0.0%	2,936
4066	Dog Bins	1,182	700	(482)		(482)	168.8%	
4070	Section 137	800	500	(300)		(300)	160.0%	
4075	Elections	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	0.0%	
4080	Bury Green Loan Repayment	1,037	2,074	1,037		1,037	50.0%	
4090	Admin Sundries	0	50	50		50	0.0%	
4100	Computer & Office Equipment	204	800	596		596	25.5%	
4110	Insurance	2,946	2,800	(146)		(146)	105.2%	
4120	Audit Fees	420	600	180		180	70.0%	
4130	Training	50	300	250		250	16.7%	
4150	Special Projects	739	500	(239)		(239)	147.7%	
4160	Subscriptions	345	400	55		55	86.3%	
4450	Payroll	0	150	150		150	0.0%	
4451	Pension	0	3,600	3,600		3,600	0.0%	
4452	Newsletter	0	400	400		400	0.0%	
	Administration :- Indirect Payments	29,931	32,559	2,628	0	2,628	91.9%	2,936
	Net Receipts over Payments	5,067	5,730	663				
6000	plus Transfer from EMR	2,936						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	8,003						

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Cost Centre Report

		Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
200	Village Hall							
1200	Hall Hires	4,108	5,500	1,392			74.7%	
1210	Licences	150	150	0			100.0%	
	Village Hall :- Receipts	4,258	5,650	1,392			75.4%	0
4320	Licences & Checks	634	660	26		26	96.1%	
4330	Cleaning	2,110	4,000	1,891		1,891	52.7%	
4340	Waste	342	550	208		208	62.1%	
4360	Repairs & Improvements	1,790	500	(1,290)		(1,290)	358.0%	
4365	Re-design	3,904	0	(3,904)		(3,904)	0.0%	3,292
4370	Oil Heating	0	4,000	4,000		4,000	0.0%	
4380	Electricity	242	800	558		558	30.2%	
4390	Water & Sewage	315	400	85		85	78.8%	
4400	Telephone & Internet	208	270	62		62	77.0%	
4410	Window Cleaning	125	200	75		75	62.5%	
	Village Hall :- Indirect Payments	9,669	11,380	1,711	0	1,711	85.0%	3,292
	Net Receipts over Payments	(5,412)	(5,730)	(318)				
6000	plus Transfer from EMR	3,292						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(2,120)						
999	VAT Data							
115	VAT on Refunds	4,451	0	(4,451)			0.0%	
	VAT Data :- Receipts	4,451	0	(4,451)				0
515	VAT on Payments	3,709	0	(3,709)		(3,709)	0.0%	
	VAT Data :- Indirect Payments	3,709	0	(3,709)	0	(3,709)		0
	Net Receipts over Payments	742	0	(742)				
	Grand Totals:- Receipts	43,707	43,939	232			99.5%	
	Payments	43,310	43,939	629	0	629	98.6%	
	Net Receipts over Payments	397	0	(397)				
	plus Transfer from EMR	6,228						
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve							
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		Last \	<u>Year</u>			Curren	t Year				Next Year	
	_	Budget	Actual	Brought Forward	Net Virement	Agreed	EMR	Total	Actual YTD	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
100	Administration											
1076	Precept	29,274	29,274	0	0	30,337	0	30,337	30,337	45,970	0	0
1078	Link Advertising	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,355	0	0	0
1079	The Link	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,181	0	0	0
1080	Grants - SCC	3,344	3,012	0	0	4,328	0	4,328	0	0	0	0
1081	SCC Grant for Bury Green	2,074	2,074	0	0	2,074	0	2,074	0	2,074	0	0
1090	Bank Interest	2	148	0	0	50	0	50	242	350	0	0
1095	CDC Grants	0	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1096	Grants-other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	650	0	0	0
1100	FITS	1,500	2,333	0	0	1,500	0	1,500	1,273	2,000	0	0
1120	Miscellaneous Income	500	821	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	0
	Total Income	36,694	37,912	0	0	38,289	0	38,289	35,113	50,394	0	0
4000	Salary Clerk	12,000	14,446	0	0	13,000	0	13,000	9,853	16,500	0	0
4010	Home Working	300	300	0	0	150	0	150	115	180	0	0
4049	Playground inspection	0	77	0	0	85	0	85	82	85	0	0
4050	GM01 Wharf & River grass cut	1,000	971	0	0	850	0	850	720	900	0	0
4051	GM02 Bury Green grass cut	1,200	971	0	0	850	0	850	720	900	0	0
4052	GM03 Wharf/river seasonal	350	555	0	0	100	0	100	150	150	0	0
4053	GM04 Bury Green seasonal	300	633	0	0	500	0	500	140	300	0	0
4054	GM05 One off tasks	500	82	0	0	1,200	0	1,200	2,612	1,100	0	0
4055	GM06 B Green/VH one off tasks	200	2,041	0	0	300	0	300	741	250	0	0
4056	GM07 Pill Pond	1,000	480	0	0	250	0	250	412	500	0	0
4057	GM08 Coffin Trail	500	565	0	0	350	0	350	138	2,500	0	0

		Last `	Year_			Curren	t Year				Next Year	
	_	Budget	Actual	Brought Forward	Net Virement	Agreed	EMR	Total	Actual YTD	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
4058	GM09 Recreation Ground	750	420	0	0	750	0	750	744	10,000	0	0
4059	GM10 West Burton	200	0	0	0	300	0	300	0	0	0	0
4060	Playground	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000	0	0
4061	A29 Improvements	0	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,000	0	0
4062	Road signs	0	1,564	0	0	0	0	0	5,782	0	0	0
4066	Dog Bins	700	690	0	0	700	0	700	1,182	0	0	0
4067	Observatory	1,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4070	Section 137	1,000	0	0	0	500	0	500	800	750	0	0
4075	Elections	0	31	0	0	1,000	0	1,000	0	500	0	0
4080	Bury Green Loan Repayment	2,074	2,074	0	0	2,074	0	2,074	1,037	2,074	0	0
4090	Admin Sundries	50	0	0	0	50	0	50	0	0	0	0
4100	Computer & Office Equipment	1,000	1,113	0	0	800	0	800	204	650	0	0
4110	Insurance	2,600	2,790	0	0	2,800	0	2,800	2,946	3,000	0	0
4120	Audit Fees	600	659	0	0	600	0	600	420	465	0	0
4130	Training	300	271	0	0	300	0	300	50	150	0	0
4140	Miscellaneous Expenditure	500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4150	Special Projects	1,000	557	0	0	500	0	500	739	0	0	0
4160	Subscriptions	600	753	0	0	400	0	400	345	450	0	0
4400	Telephone & Internet	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4450	Payroll	120	60	0	0	150	0	150	0	130	0	0
4451	Pension	1,100	557	0	0	3,600	0	3,600	0	0	0	0
4452	Newsletter	400	0	0	0	400	0	400	0	0	0	0
4455	Events	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	250	0	0
	Overhead Expenditure	31,344	32,761	0	0	32,559	0	32,559	29,931	45,784	0	0

		Last `	/ear			Curren	t Year				Next Year	
	_	Budget	Actual	Brought Forward	Net Virement	Agreed	EMR	Total	Actual YTD	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
	100 Net Income over Expenditure	5,350	5,152	0	0	5,730	0	5,730	5,182	4,610	0	0
6000	plus Transfer from EMR	0	1,564	0	0	0	0	0	2,936	0	0	0
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	5,350	6,716		-	5,730	_	5,730	8,118	4,610		
200	Village Hall											
1200	Hall Hires	5,000	7,231	0	0	5,500	0	5,500	4,410	7,000	0	0
1210	Licences	0	-373	0	0	150	0	150	150	150	0	0
	Total Income	5,000	6,858	0	0	5,650	0	5,650	4,560	7,150	0	0
4310	Equipment	0	334	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4320	Licences & Checks	600	889	0	0	660	0	660	657	800	0	0
4330	Cleaning	3,500	3,566	0	0	4,000	0	4,000	2,401	3,700	0	0
4340	Waste	500	556	0	0	550	0	550	342	600	0	0
4360	Repairs & Improvements	750	240	0	0	500	0	500	1,790	1,000	0	0
4365	Re-design	1,000	7,336	0	0	0	0	0	3,904	0	0	0
4370	Oil Heating	2,000	2,254	0	0	4,000	0	4,000	0	4,240	0	0
4380	Electricity	700	341	0	0	800	0	800	242	500	0	0
4390	Water & Sewage	350	180	0	0	400	0	400	315	400	0	0
4400	Telephone & Internet	600	309	0	0	270	0	270	208	320	0	0
4410	Window Cleaning	200	0	0	0	200	0	200	125	200	0	0
4455	Events	150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Overhead Expenditure	10,350	16,004	0	0	11,380	0	11,380	9,984	11,760	0	0
	200 Net Income over Expenditure	-5,350	-9,146	0	0	-5,730	0	-5,730	-5,424	-4,610	0	0
6000	plus Transfer from EMR	0	5,000	0	0	0	0	0	3,292	0	0	0

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		Last	Year			Curren	t Year			Next Year		
	_	Budget	Actual	Brought Forward	Net Virement	Agreed	EMR	Total	Actual YTD	Agreed	EMR	Carried Forward
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(5,350)	(4,146)			(5,730)	_	(5,730)	(2,132)	(4,610)		
999	VAT Data											
115	VAT on Refunds	0	3,298	0	0	0	0	0	4,451	0	0	0
	Total Income	0	3,298	0	0	0	0	0	4,451	0	0	0
515	VAT on Payments	0	4,281	0	0	0	0	0	3,709	0	0	0
	Overhead Expenditure	0	4,281	0	0	0	0	0	3,709	0	0	0
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	(983)			0	-	0	742	0		
	Total Budget Income	41,694	48,068	0	0	43,939	0	43,939	44,124	57,544	0	0
	Expenditure	41,694	53,046	0	0	43,939	0	43,939	43,624	57,544	0	0
	Net Income over Expenditure	0	-4,977	0	0	0	0	0	500	0	0	0
	plus Transfer from EMR	0	6,564	0	0	0	0	0	6,228	0	0	0
	Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	1,587			0	- -	0	6,727	0		

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Bury Parish Council

Bank Accounts

List of Payments made between 12/09/2023 and 06/11/2023

Date Paid	Payee Name	Reference	Amount Paid Authorized Ref	Transaction Detail
12/09/2023	Judith Daykin	OLT	502.00	Village hall clearout
12/09/2023	Hampshire Fire Protection	OLT	96.00	Fire extinguisher service
13/09/2023	Marine GRP	OLT	75.00	Boat listing
15/09/2023	Business Stream	DD	45.00	Water
18/09/2023	BWB Cricket Club	OLT	800.00	Mower grant
25/09/2023	Chichester District Council	DD	42.45	Bin collection
28/09/2023	Local Government Pension	OLT	282.77	Pension September
29/09/2023	Mike Simpson	OLT	1,063.40	Salary September
02/10/2023	Hall Booking Online	OLT	120.00	Annual subscription
02/10/2023	The Ecology Co-op	OLT	734.80	Bat survey (6208)
02/10/2023	Arun Waste Services	OLT	342.00	Skip for VH (37545)
02/10/2023	Judith Daykin	OLT	50.00	VH clear out
02/10/2023	Rob Simpson	SO	291.67	VH Cleaning
02/10/2023	Mike Simpson	SO	15.00	Home Office
02/10/2023	BT	DD	35.65	Internet
02/10/2023	Southern Electric	DD	58.69	Electricity
04/10/2023	HMRC	OLT	214.74	PAYE 2nd Quarter
06/10/2023	Stocker & Sons	OLT	700.32	2 Squires leak
16/10/2023	Scottish Water	DD	45.00	Water
19/10/2023	Chris Daykin	OLT	18.98	Printing
19/10/2023	Victoria Holland Architects	OLT	3,950.20	Stage 3 Redesign(0698)
20/10/2023	Chichester District Council	DD	42.45	Bins
30/10/2023	BT	OLT	35.65 Internet	BT
31/10/2023	Local Government Pension	OLT	282.77	Local Government Pension
31/10/2023	Mike Simpson	OLT	1,063.60	Salary
31/10/2023	Mike Simpson	SO	15.00	Home office
01/11/2023	Rob Simpson	SO	291.67	VH Cleaning
02/11/2023	Chichester District Council	OLT	23.00	Premises Licence transfer

Total Payments

11,237.81