

## **Burnham Parish Council Minutes of the Land Securities Committee**

Minutes of the meeting of the Land Securities Committee held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 5:45pm in the Committee Room at Burnham Park, Burnham.

### **Members of the Committee present:**

Cllr Paul Kelly (Chairman)	Cllr Jackie Slater (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Judith Foster	Steve Bishop (from item 290)
Jo Sommer	

### **In attendance:**

Officers of the Council:	Sheridan Edward (Parish Clerk)
Members of the public:	Keshu Odedra (from item 292)

### **283 Apologies**

Cllr Alan Samson, Paul Sherriff

### **284 Declarations of interest**

Cllr Jackie Slater declared a personal interest, being a member of the Royal British Legion.

### **285 Election of Chairman**

Due to the resignation of Cllr Robert Slater, the Committee **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Paul Kelly as Chairman of the Committee.

### **286 Election of Vice-Chairman**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to elect Cllr Jackie Slater as Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

### **287 Public Forum**

None.

### **288 Minutes**

The Committee **RESOLVED** to approve and sign the minutes as an accurate record of the Committee meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

### **289 Matters arising**

**Benches.** The Clerk confirmed that these had been raised with the groundsmen, who'd arrange for them to be restrained.

**Jennery Lane toilets.** The Clerk reported that further surveys had been conducted to assess the work carried out on the toilets. They'd raised issues with the plain tiles used for the roofing, and this had caused further delay to the remedial work. Work was starting that week to remedy the plumbing, and the flooring and roofing were being programmed.

## **290 Finances**

The Committee noted the Land Securities fund summaries to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016. The Clerk confirmed that they'd now received the £17,000 additional pot of s106 funds for use towards the Hag Hill traffic calming scheme.

## **291 Christmas lights**

Jo Sommer reported that they had appointed Blachere to carry out the installation of the Christmas Lights. Their tests had shown that several of the new lights were missing parts and connections, and several cables had been cut. They'd 'lso said that new catenary wire and fixings would be needed. Of the older lights, most were still functioning and could be reused. The cost for the display this year would be c.£13k, which would be partially paid through the retention of £5k from the previous contractor for failings on their part. The Clerk suggested that the £5k remaining donation from the fund could be repaid to the Parish Council, who could then themselves fund £5k worth of the lights, in order to be able to reclaim the VAT element.

## **292 Signage**

The Clerk reported that he was yet to receive the details of the missing sign on the A4 and Steve Bishop confirmed that he would forward the details on. The Clerk also confirmed that the Burnham Village sign had been moved from the Bishop Centre site to the other side of the junction. He had also spoken with the vicar of St Peter's Church who was supportive of the brown tourist sign, and the Clerk was compiling supporting documentation for the application.

## **293 Highway infrastructure**

It was noted that work had been carried out on Jennery Lane, but that there was still no update about the High Street. The Clerk and Cllr Paul Kelly had requested updates from the county councillors at the upcoming Council meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016. Cllr Dev Dhillon had confirmed he'd requested bollards to be installed outside Domino's, but there was no date given for their installation. Issues were raised again over obstructive parking around The Red Lion / Costa. There had been little response from the police or civil parking enforcement. The Clerk reported that he was investigating a scheme whereby the Parish Council may be able to assist the Police in directly reporting and issuing warning letters to cars parked dangerously or causing an obstruction.

## **294 Weedkilling**

Paul Sherriff had obtained two quotes for weedkilling along the High Street: £209 and £350 per visit. The Clerk recommended that weedkilling be carried out twice a year, and reiterated that although it could be carried out in-house,

following the Council's decision to not take on devolved services, he would need confirmation that they were happy for the groundsmen to undertake the work. The Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Policy & Resources Committee that it be carried out in-house.

It was also asked whether the High Street Improvement Fund could be used to purchase street cleaning equipment. The Clerk said that whilst this would be possible, funds for the manpower would also need to be factored in, as there wasn't currently capacity for the groundsmen to undertake the work.

## **295 Bunting**

Paul Sherriff had obtained two quotes for bunting along the High Street: £310 and £442 for 730m. Leigh Electrical were still to quote for hanging and taking down the bunting. It was felt that May/June to October would be the best length of time. It was noted that previously the bunting had been hung too low and not been attached securely. It was therefore suggested that the catenary wire for the Christmas decorations be utilised. The Committee agreed to consider the proposal fully once a quote from Leigh Electrical had been obtained.

## **296 Noticeboard on Church Street.**

Cllr Jackie Slater had received a quote of £160 to replace the board behind the noticeboard. The Clerk stated that as the noticeboard arch was leased by the Council, it could be replaced either under general maintenance, or from the High Street Improvement Fund. The Committee **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Council that the funding be approved from the High Street Improvement Fund.

## **297 Other proposals**

**Music.** It was suggested that the programme for music in the High Street be extended. Jo Sommer stated that she would raise with the BBA and bring a proposal back to the Committee.

**The meeting closed at 7:00pm**

**Next meeting: Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 6:30pm**