

Burwell Parish Council
Community, Leisure, and Sport
Meeting of 21.6.2022 at 7.30 pm
Mandeville Hall
Minutes of the Meeting

Present: Michael Swift (Chair), Helen McMenamin-Smith, Jenny Moss, Jim Perry, Liz Swift, Geraldine Tate, and Ian Woodroofe

CL&S/210622/01 Apologies for absences and declarations of interests

Apologies for absence – Paul Webb

Declarations – Helen McMenamin-Smith (MAGPAS Donation) and Jim Perry (Westhorpe Play Area)

CL&S/210622/02 Approval of the minutes of the 19.4.22

The Group noted that BAFY had actually met on the 17th January 2022. The minutes were then approved.

Proposed by Liz Swift and seconded by Jenny Moss.

CL&S/210622/03 Action Sheet Updates on the following

The following updates were noted:

PROJECT	
Recreation Ground Inc. improvement project, Grant Funding and liaison with Football Clubs and other users Sports Provision Group, Inc. liaison with Football Clubs, other sports groups and users including Margaret Field	A meeting is to be held with the Football Club and Ground Maintenance Contractor on 13 th July 2022. Margaret Field may need some attention, but there is some money in the budget. The toilet is due to be removed from Margaret Field this week and will be returned once matches recommence. Sarah Ashby to chase Football Club for payment of contribution towards the cost of the hire of the toilet. Sarah Ashby to also ask Football Club to remove their empty pitch marking paint tubs and dispose of them. If this is not done by the time of the meeting, then the request can be reiterated.
Spring Close Management Group	The Spring Close Management Group have had a meeting. All members have seen a copy of the Annual Tree Inspection Report for the site. The Group will address some of the issues raised if they are able to as part of their autumn programme. Work is being carried out on the replacement interpretation boards. The next meeting is on the 25 th July 2022.
Pauline's Swamp	The Open Day held in April was well attended. 97 children entered the Bunny Hunt. The Dog Show was well supported. No further progress has been made with the land transfer. Michael Swift to contact the new Land Director for Hopkins Homes as they are no longer offering to transfer the previously agreed area of land and have gone back to their original proposal. Helen McMenamin-Smith informed the Group that she has donated some birdseed and feeders, and these will be used later on in the year.
BAFY	BAFY is still operating. 2 arranged meetings have been cancelled with valid reasons by the Chair of the Trustees. Liz Swift as a Trustee has asked for a meeting to be arranged as the Trustees are legally obliged to meet and there are matters of concern which need to be discussed.

Community Orchard	The Orchard appears to be thriving. Jenny Moss updating the map of the orchard so that it can be displayed in the new notice board.
Community Garden	This project needs to be moved forward. The need to remove the plastic matting from the area of the Recreation Ground designated for the Community Garden is causing some issues. The Group agreed unanimously that if the matting could be removed without any cost, then it should be removed. Jenny Moss to liaise with James Moss. East Cambs District Council is due to provide the Parish Council with some autumn wildflower seed in the next couple of weeks. Jim Perry has offered to purchase a bench for the garden and Helen McMemamin-Smith has offered to pay up to £5000 towards the costs including a bench in memory of her late father.
Liaison with Sports Centre	The Sports Centre Committee lacks members to run the Sports Centre and is looking for other organisations, possibly ECDC to take over. The community is probably unaware of the situation and if made aware, may be more willing to volunteer.
Climate Change Policy	Jenny Moss has written to This Lane, Vistry, and Lucy Frazer regarding the installation of gas boilers on the Newmarket Road Development and has received responses back. She will circulate these to Council. Jenny Moss has also spoken to Wild Burwell and have suggested that they produce a written report with solutions to the issues for the council should verges etc be managed as wildflower areas. The same was also suggested for the use of weed killer. The next Climate Change meeting is on the 5 th July 2022.
A to B1102 Group	Members of the Lobby Group are due to have a meeting with Stagecoach. Financial constraints control bus coverage for the area. An option would be to have major transport hubs with smaller zipper type buses running out to the villages. The Greater Cambridge Partnership is carrying out consultations, but consultation coverage stops at Quy. The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority is also looking at public transport. The A to B1102 now has a constitution and is looking to set up a bank account. The Burwell Environment Group has invited the A to B1102 Group to have a public meeting one Saturday morning. The Group had a stand at Burwell at Large and are currently analysing the results of a survey they carried out at the event.
Westhorpe Play Area	This project should be the next project after the Gardiner Memorial Hall is completed. There is an active group of residents raising money for new equipment. A meeting is to be held next week with the EDF Burwell Solar Farm. Details of their Community Fund and suitability for the new playground can be discussed.

CL&S/210622/04 Repair Café

Full Council has agreed to support setting up a Repair Café. A small steering group to meet on Friday 24th to discuss how the café should be set up.

CL&S/210622/05 MUGA Lights and additional barrier netting between tennis courts and MUGA

A quote has been received from Exclusive Leisure for the installation of lights for the MUGA. The quote, at between £13,000 and £14,000 plus VAT is far more than the budget available of around £5000. Further quotations to be sought, along with looking at other alternatives for providing lights. However, it was pointed out that there is a health and safety requirement to ensure that any lighting installed

provides an adequate level of light for the area. A quotation should also be sought for increasing the height of the fencing between the tennis courts and the MUGA to try and stop balls going over into the tennis courts.

CL&S/210622/06 Donations for Consideration – Magpas Air Ambulance and Cooking together @ home

A round robin letter had been received from Magpas Air Ambulance asking for a donation. It was agreed that this request did not fit the Council's eligibility for donations. It was noted that a collection is made for Magpas at the annual Around the Christmas Tree Event and that this should continue to be the case. In addition to this, Michael Swift reported that he was prepared to run some games at the Family Fair Event on 4th September and any money collected could be donated to MAGPAS.

The donation request for Cooking Together@Home was accidentally missed. To be added to the agenda for Full Council.

CL&S/210622/07 Any other business

Michael Swift asked that the Clerk, Yvonne Rix contacts John Rollin about the insurance for Paddle the Lode.

Michael Swift thanked all those involved with the Jubilee Celebrations. A letter of thanks had been received from a resident who had attended the Afternoon Tea with his mother. A number of people attended the Family Picnic despite the rain.

Helen McMenamin-Smith reported on the work carried out by the Burwell Litter Group at the layby on Ness Road. Trees have been cut back making the actual layby much more visible by passing traffic, making it harder for people to fly tip without being seen. The lady running the catering van clears any rubbish left in the layby when she is there.

CL&S/210622/08 Date of the next meeting

To avoid staff holidays the next meeting of the Community, Leisure and Sports Group will be held on 23rd August 2022, 7.30 pm at the Gardiner Memorial Hall and not on the 16th August as previously stated.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Signed

Dated