

## **BURSTWICK PARISH COUNCIL - ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD IN THE SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 27 APRIL 2017**

### **Present:**

Cllr. D Rainforth – Chairman  
Cllr. M Armstrong  
Cllr. A Brown  
Cllr. N Fairbank  
Cllr. S Gould  
Cllr. D James  
Cllr. J. Kitchener  
Cllr. M Smith  
Cllr. J. Stamford

### **Members of the Public:**

One member of the public and PCSO Bainton attended the Annual Parish meeting.

### **2017/01 Introduction and Welcome**

Cllr. Rainforth welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that he facilitates this meeting on behalf of the community. The annual parish meeting gives the parish council the opportunity to report back to residents on its work over the last 12 months and gives residents the chance to raise issues of local concern.

### **2017/02 To confirm the 2016 annual parish meeting minutes**

The Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 28 April 2016 were signed as a correct record on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

### **2017/03 Matters arising from the minutes**

There were no matters arising.

### **2017/04 To receive the Chairman's Report**

The Chairman submitted his report to the meeting as follows:

2016 has been a busy year for the council. I would like to give my thanks to my Vice Chairman Mrs Margaret Armstrong for her support over the past year. I will also take this opportunity to acknowledge the support and commitment that all the Councillors also give.

I would like to acknowledge the work and support of Councillor Steve Mallinson who tendered his resignation and wish him well for the future. We have now co-opted Susan Gould to the vacancy.

The council would not be able to run efficiently and promptly without the support and dedicated work from our Clerk Rose, and I would like to thank her for the hard work and support throughout the year.

Mr Walt Beadle continues to be an asset to the Council in his role as Parish gardener.

The year started with an awareness raising campaign around dog fouling in the village, and a new litter bin was installed along popular dog walking route along Newbridge Road, bin located by East Carr drain.

A second Defibrillator for the village was installed at the Hare and Hounds Pub and a community training session was held in the village hall. The road surface along Church Lane was re-instated improving access to the cemetery. Major repairs to the play area and installation of a new cone climber was funded using commuted sums, along with the installation of benches on Festive Field.

The school and parish council were successful in securing grant funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner to install CCTV in and around the school and play area to protect the site and equipment from vandalism.

Due to concerns raised about speeding through the village an awareness raising campaign for speeding as part of National Road Safety Week took place.

Towards the end of December a kissing gate was installed to allow pedestrian access to Festive Field and shrub borders were planted up around the benches, again funded by commuted sums. The Parish Council also took over the responsibility of running and maintaining the play area after Burstwick Playing Field Association charity was closed due to a lack of new trustees.

In the New Year a pre-grant application was submitted to the War Memorials Trust, as part of securing funding to sensitively restore the village war memorial. In March 2017 a new wooden noticeboard was installed by the village hall, funded by a grant from the Burton Pidsea Windfarm Fund. A housing needs survey was conducted in the village to help guide future housing development.

Projects planned for the next 12 months include:

- To complete landscaping works at Festive Field via commuted sums funding
- To purchase and install new a Cemetery shed
- To hold a Best Kept Allotments Competition
- To continue to develop the village play area
- To construct brick planters for village entrances (forms an application to the Burton Pidsea Windfarm Fund)
- War memorial project to clean the war memorial (forms an application to the War Memorials Trust)
- Events working group, to work together to plan effective community events in the village

#### **2017/05 The public are invited to raise any matters of interest**

No matters were raised.

**The Annual Parish meeting was declared closed at 7.50pm**