

BURY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council Meeting of Bury Parish Council was held at Bury Village Hall, Brookfield Way, Owls End on Wednesday 1st February 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Present Cllr.P.Hazell Chairperson
 Cllr.D.Wakefield
 Cllr J.Hayes
 Cllr K.Prestage
 Cllr A.Johnston
 Cllr.R.Scantlebury
 Cllr/C.Cllr. M.Tew
 Cllr. P.Brindley

 D.Cllr.P.Bucknell

 Ms Jo McGlashan – Speedwatch co-ordinator

 Clerk Mrs.C.Johnson

0217.01 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Turner and D.Cllr Tavener.

0217.02 COUNCILLORS INTERESTS

To receive from Councillors declarations as to personal or prejudicial interests and declarable pecuniary interests that might require the granting of dispensation the nature of those interests in relation to Agenda items.

No interests were declared.

0217.03 MINUTES OF MEETING of 4th January 2017

The minutes of the above meeting were approved.

0217.04 POLICE REPORT

Ecops reported

1. A burglary at a property in Warboys Road on 7th January.
2. Theft of a bike.
3. 2 fires at the derelict RAF buildings.
4. Young people trespassing on the RAF site.
5. Car ending up in a ditch after sliding on black ice in Warboys Road
6. 2 vehicle collision on Upwood Road.

Cllr Johnston reported that one of the waste bins on the playing field had been set fire to.

0217.05 COMMUNITY BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

0217.06 REPORTS

Cllr Tew reported that a Freedom of Information request has been received, which has been dealt with and as a result the Council has registered with the Information Commissioners Office.

0217.07 FUNDING FOR BURY PARISH WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

After much discussion it was unanimously agreed to take over ownership of the Parish Council website at a cost of £147.00 per annum. The Social Media Policy was also agreed unanimously.

0217.08 RAF UPWOOD

The Parish Council agreed to adopt the open and green spaces and this has been included in the 106 agreement for the site. The two gate buildings are to be retained,

one as a community building and the other for other uses as decided.
An open village meeting is to be held at the village hall on Saturday 11th February, when Mr Sail from Strawsons will be present to discuss the future development of the RAF Upwood site.

0217.09 CLINIC SITE

D.Cllr Bucknell reported that an agreement has been made with the Developers for 5 affordable houses on the site, 4 Social Housing and 1 Shared Ownership although there will still be 60 properties in total. Amended plans are being drawn up.

0217.10 PLANNING

Ref:16/02714/HHFUL Proposed extension and alterations to existing dwelling. 10 Redebourn Lane, Bury.

Approved unanimously

Ref:17/00016/FUL Extension and alterations to barn to form dwelling. Shillhow Barn, Warboys Road, Bury.

Approved unanimously, with reservations about the entrance onto the B1040.

Ref:16/02721/OUT Proposed development of site into 5 two bedroomed flats. Former 26 Fairfields Drive, Ramsey.

In circulation

Ref:17/00125/HHFUL Single storey side and rear extension. 8 Upwood Road, Bury.

In circulation

0217.11 CEMETERY.

A discussion was held about opening up the cemetery extension. A meeting was arranged for Councillors at the cemetery on 7th February to decide what action should be taken to proceed with this.

0217.12 FOOTPATHS

A letter has been received on the reduction of the width of the footpath running from the Old School House towards the church. Cllr Tew has spoken to CCC who have asked if the Parish could carry out the work. It was decided that the work can only be carried out if there is tarmac under the overgrown grass. This job was earmarked for the spring. Mr Badcock would be asked to trim the hedge at the cemetery that is overhanging the path.

0217.13 PLAYING FIELDS

The circus have set a date for 14th to 21st May for their visit.

The final plans for the positioning of the gym equipment have been received and approved however concerns were raised over the maintenance contract, it was felt that it was not strong enough. Cllr Brindley would contact the company. The plans will be available to view at the open village meeting along with a representative from the company who will be available to answer any questions.

0217.14 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Following the resignation of Mr Mumford, Cllr Brindley and Cllr Hazell for personal reasons resulting in a much depleted committee the Council suggested that as a considerable amount of work has already been carried out it would be a waste to stop altogether and suggested that the project is put on hold for a few months and then regroup and possibly continue then.

A grant has been agreed from Groundwork UK and will be paid into Parish Council account as the accountable body.

0217.15 LOCAL HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVE

Cllr Tew presented the plan for speed reduction measures on Upwood Road to the Highways Department on 11th January. Their decision on whether it can go ahead will be known in March.

Cllr Tew confirmed that the speed bumps in Owls End are of a standard size and design. The speed of traffic in the area has been reduced.

0217.16 TUNKERS LANE

Letters outlining the three options for the green lane area are to be finalised and will

be distributed to the whole village. It was suggested that we ask the village shop if they would have a collection box for completed forms.

0217.17 GRENFELL ROAD

Following our further complaint about the parking bays in Grenfell Road a response has been received from the Traffic Manager of Cambridgeshire County Council. A copy of the letter is at the end of the minutes.

0217.18 SPEEDWATCH

We are due to receive payment from Woodwalton Parish Council for their share in the Speedwatch equipment. Ms McGlashan will be attending the open village meeting in an attempt to attract more volunteers. They volunteers are hoping to take the equipment out on the road again soon.

0217.19 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The Clerk reported that she had received the following correspondence:

1. Letter received from HLC including a signed Commercial Company Covenant confirming the Company's willingness to work with the Council to reduce the impact of large vehicles in the village.
2. Email with information on the rescheduling of waste collection rounds.
3. Email from a resident with reference to road safety for children on their way to and from school. Cllr Tew and the Clerk have replied to this.
4. Huntingdonshire District Council are organising a Keep Britain Tidy 'Great British Spring Clean' weekend 3rd -5th March.

0217.20 DOCUMENTS FOR SIGNATURE

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Power</u>
Gala Lights – new xmas lights	£4469.04	Local Govt.Act.1972 s.144
Information Commissioner – registration	£35.00	Local Govt.Act.1972 s.111
C.Johnson – Clerk's fees	£437.50	Local Govt.Act 1972 s.122
Bury Residents Charity – Hire of hall, inc NP hire	£528.00	Local Govt.Act. 1972 s.133
RW Ingle – cemetery fence	£600.00	Local Govt.Act.1972 s.215

0217.21 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 1st March 2017 at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

0217.22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Wakefield reported that the listed milestone on the B1040 has been badly damaged by a vehicle involved in a road traffic accident.

Cllr Brindley said that there is no village sign for Bury on the left hand side of Bury Road. D.Cllr Bucknell will report it to Huntingdonshire District Council.

Cllr Prestage has received a donation from a villager to go towards the xmas lights. The money will be used to purchase three additional strings of lights.

0217.23 PUBLIC DISCUSSION PERIOD

Dear Mr Johnson,

Re: Parking Bays in Grenfell Road, Bury

Your complaint regarding the implementation of the Traffic Regulation Order for parking bays in Grenfell Road, Bury was forwarded to me to consider and respond to. I have investigated the matter and my findings are as follows:

I understand that the Parish Council approached the Highways Service for a third party funded scheme to implement parking spaces outside the village bakery with the aim of regularising parking and enhancing visibility on Grenfell Road. It was proposed to offer parking for three vehicles.

When on-street parking is marked out it is generally not divided into individual bays and therefore an appropriate size for the overall bay was proposed which fitted in with the space available taking into account safety, visibility and existing restrictions. The overall length of the parking bay proposed on the plan, which was submitted to the Parish Council for comment was 25 metres.

I have checked in the national guidance (traffic signs regulations and general directions) the standard size of on-street bays if they were marked out per vehicle show that the maximum size would be 6.6m. Therefore a 25 metre length of bay would allow parking for 3.7 cars. Practically speaking this would be 3 large cars or 4 smaller cars depending on how people park their cars.

The officer who dealt with the scheme was in consultation with John Prestage of Bury Parish Council. Prior to the formal consultation being released the details of the scheme and plans were sent to Mr Prestage and our understanding was that it was accepted by the Parish. The Parish Council were given the consultation documents that were sent out on 1st June 2016. The Parish offered no comments on the proposal and no other objections were received therefore the works were ordered and the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) was made active.

My ref: SH/BPC Date: 11/01/2017 Contact: Sonia Hansen Telephone: 01223 743817 E Mail: Sonia.hansen@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

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Mr Johnson Bury Parish Council By E mail

Observations from site visits confirm that the scheme has achieved the objectives of providing safe and convenient parking for the village bakery and it has

regularised the parking on Grenfell Road. There would appear to be no traffic management reason to amend the order.

There is no budget available from the County Council to amend Traffic Regulation Orders therefore the Parish Council would be required to pay the full cost of any changes to existing orders.

Under current legislation, Traffic Regulation Orders are required to be supported by a statement of reasons for implementing the order. These reasons ensure that TROs are only implemented for safety reasons or to facilitate the movement of traffic. In this instance I cannot see that reducing the size of the parking bay would satisfy the statement of reasons and therefore it is unlikely that the County Council as Highways Authority would support the implementation of a TRO to reduce the size of the parking bay.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Sonia Hansen Traffic Manager Cambridgeshire County Council