

Burnham Overy Parish Council

Clerks Report – 18th October 2021 Meeting

Ongoing from Previous Minutes: -

Trees

Waiting for Lease to be completed.

Dog Bin on Hard

No objections received from property owners, SHADCRA confirmed permission. Dog bin ordered and received. Waiting for quote to install dog bin on fence.

Local Plan

The consultation has opened, and the wording agreed at the meeting has been sent to the Borough Council. An acknowledge has been received to say this has been added to the consultation.

CGM

Ongoing issues with invoices. Still chasing to rectify.

Highways

Yellow lines and bus stops will be repainted as soon as the weather allows. The resurfacing of the A149 through parish will commence next year.

Playing Field

Skate Ramp has been repaired. Blue Rocker/springy has been removed.

Trains and Bus Linking timetable

Update from James Wild MP. A meeting has now taken place between Thameslink and Great Northern Railways, and Lynx. The timetable for the bus and trains have been timed so they fit in with the available train paths and other bus connections in the area and therefore it is difficult to change the times without causing another problem somewhere else. The main problem is for passengers travelling beyond Hunstanton to the coast. This service is only used by a very few people in the winter and in the summer months (April - September) it is generally busier on a Thursday to Friday when people are travelling up for weekends on the coast. The parties agreed to meet again in March next year to review the situation and whether passenger numbers have increased to make an additional service or alternative arrangements possible.

Updates for Meeting

Item 7 – Queens Platinum Jubilee

The Hero would like to position their own bench. Discussion will be needed for another place for the Jubilee bench to be positioned or another idea for the Jubilee.

Item 8 – Welcome Back Fund

Spoken with Borough Council regarding Welcome Back Fund. Ideas and opinions for the parish can be sent to the Borough Council in which they might consider making to the parish by way of a project. Discussion on new dog bins for Hard.

Item 9 – Tree Plaque size and Position for Millennium Oak Tree

Wording has been suggested and agreed. Councillors need to agree size and placement for plaque.

Item 10 – Strimming under dog bins quote

Quote given by CGM to add strimming under the dog bins on the Hard. £10 plus VAT per visit. Suggestion to have completed at the same time for the grass maintenance once a month from April to October.

Item 11 – Grit bin

Grit bin has been damaged on Gong Lane. This was reported to the Police. Councillors to discuss whether to claim on insurance or purchase a new bin. Excess of insurance would be £125 on insurance.

Item 12 – Allotments Black Matting

The 1/3 allotment has been taken, this leaves two ½ plots and a full plot. I have people interested in the full plot at present. Black matting quote was for two ½ plots and a 1/3 plot so would be cheaper. No alternative quote.

Item 13 – Laptop

Laptop is now five years old. It is covered by insurance for breakdown. A repair is being undertaken at present as the screen keeps blanking out. As budget is being completed to discuss the purchase of a new laptop.

Item 14 - Budget

Budget is only first draft and needs to be agreed by the meeting in December. Councillors need to consider notes on the reserve sheet. The new tax band has not been sent until December.

Actions Needed to be considered in budget:

Noticeboards x 2 (new or repair)

Jubilee bench

New Play equipment to replace rockers

New Defibrillator pads and battery

New football nets

Where to place covid donations.

Item 15 – Co-Option

Borough Council confirmed able to co-opt. Posters to advertise position. Deadline of 30th November for applications, to be elected at the meeting on 6th December.

Item 16 – Lease

Chased the solicitors but no response back.

Item 17 – Water Quality

Response to questions from Borough Council received. Councillors to discuss next action and whether a meeting with the Officers at the Borough Council would be useful.

Item 18 – Flooding

Nothing new to report. Anglian Water's report regarding camera of pipes has not been received yet.

Item 19 – Traffic Regulation Order

Email sent to County Councillor Andrew Jamieson to help with obtaining a Traffic Regulation Order on the B1155. Burnham Market Parish Council had agreed to extending the 30 mph to link up with on the B1155 in the parish.

Item 20 – Finances

c. Online Banking. Would be helpful if Councillors who are signatories agreed to use online banking to authorise payments through NatWest rather than cheques.

d. Councillors are asked to authorise the purchase of a VAT book at a cost of £35.00

e. Approval of the new policy for General Reserves.

Item 21 – Public Order consultation

Dog control Public Order consultation by the Borough Council. Public spaces to clean up after dog and keep on leads.