

New Buckenham Parish Council

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Clerk: Mr Chris Lacey

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF New Buckenham Parish Council held on Tuesday 9th March 2010, 7.30 pm at the village hall.

Present: Karen Hobley Chair
Tony Lister
Darren Rush
Fran Doe
Mark Stevens
Adrian Joel District Councillor
Chris Lacey Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer
11 Members of the public

122. To consider apologies for absence: None.

123. Minutes of the meeting of New Buckenham Parish Council held on 9th February 2010:
Resolved to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

124. Matters arising:

1. (Min ref 57.1) Sign writing on main notice board: to be arranged. Action: D. Rush
2. (Min ref 64) Street light on Dial House: the house owner is considering a suitable electricity payment arrangement. Action: Clerk
3. (Min ref 67) Village Emergency Plan. Resolved to use the Risks, Actions and Resources as set out in Sections 5, 6 and 7 of the NCC model; Councillors will consider appointing Street Co-ordinators. Action: Councillors.
4. (Min ref 81) A follow up safety inspection of the cemetery will be carried out by Perfitts at a cost of £100 plus VAT by the end of March 2010. Action: Clerk
5. (Min ref 87) Siemens state that the photocopier has not been sold to a third party and that the Parish Council has to pay the last three months rent. Further enquiries will be made with the third party. Action: T Lister
6. (Min ref 111) There are 3 unpaid allotment rents and 4 tenancy agreements not signed; reminders are to be issued. Two residents have taken up the two vacant plots; invoices and tenancy agreements are to be issued. Action: Chairman, M Stevens, Clerk
7. (Min ref 111) Information on Cold Calling will be circulated for the next Parish Council Meeting. Action: Councillors
8. (Min ref 111) The potholes in Church Street will be reported to Highways. Action: Chairman
9. (Min ref 116) A Pest Controller has offered to give free advice on moles. Action: Chairman

125. Parish Council vacancies: **Resolved to co-opt Bella Chirodian to the Parish Council.** The remaining vacancy is still being advertised. Action: Clerk

126. To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda: no interests were declared.

127. **Public Participation: resolved to suspend the meeting to allow members of the public, the Parish Councillors and the District Councillor opportunity to inform the meeting.**

1. A member of the public representing the B-oom Group, (local residents who wish to ban the use of propane gas guns) gave details of their campaign which had to date been unsuccessful following appeals to farmers, District Council and the Environment Agency. The Parish Council will open up a dialogue with the B-oom Group representative to obtain further information. The District Councillor will make enquiries at Breckland to see what action has been taken by District Council. Action: Chairman

2. Dog fouling has become a problem in the village. The Dog Warden will be advised and a notice will be put in the Parish Magazine reminding dog owners of their responsibilities. Action: Chairman

3. A representative from the William Barber's Almshouse Charity explained the background to the current positioning of the almshouses oil tank on Parish Council land. The Parish Council are currently seeking advice from the legal department of the Norfolk Association of Local Councils. Action: Clerk

4. A company supplying community defibrillators is willing to speak at a future Parish Council meeting. Action: Chairman, B Chirodian

5. Breckland District Council matters: the District Councillor gave an update on current issues and developments at the Council. There will be no increase in the Council Tax this year. The Council are reducing costs by sharing resources with South Norfolk Council and reducing manpower. The Government has issued new rules over concessionary bus passes. The County Council are challenging the Secretary of State over the decision of the proposal to make Norwich a Unitary Authority.

128. **Planning determinations:** District Council has given planning permission on application 3PL/2010/0007/F.

129. **Financial summary and payments: Resolved to accept the financial summary at 5 February 2010 and approve the payments listed.**

Payee	Item	VAT	Gross amount payable £
T T Jones Electrical Ltd	Street Light Maint. Jan-Mar 2010	14.34	96.29
Anglian Water	Water charge	5.00	33.59
Zurich Insurance	Additional premium to cover all items on Assets register	Nil	255.86
Total			385.74
<i>For information: (payment deducted from net credit to Parish Council account)</i>			
Donna Kissinger.	Management commission. 16/12/09 – 11/01/10 2 Town Houses. Inv 4358 10/01/10	3.80	25.50
<i>For information: direct debits</i>			
EON	INV 3 Feb 2010 – electricity 1-31 Jan 10	2.18	45.81

Action: Clerk

130. Repair of drains in the village: **Resolved to meet Breckland Council and the various agencies on 29 March 2010.** Action: Clerk and T Lister.
131. Programme of inspection of the Play Area: **Resolved to pay £195 Playdale for an annual inspection and £95 for their training.** Action: M Stevens
132. Grave Stone request: **Resolved to agree to a request for a grave stone in memory of Paul Cattermole.**
Action: Chairman
133. Correspondence received: **Resolved to circulate to all members:**
- items listed with the agenda. Action: Clerk
134. Items for discussion at the next meeting: **Resolved to include the repair of drains in the village, positioning of the Almshouses oil tank, use of propane gas guns and the co-option of a councillor at the April 2010 meeting.** Action: Clerk
135. **Resolved that the next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 13th April 2010 at 7.00pm and the Annual Parish Meeting will be at 8.00pm at the village hall.**

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Signed.....

Date:.....