# LITTLE BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the annual meeting held on Tuesday 1 May 2018 in the Village Hall

**Present:** Mrs C Cowap**,** Dr C Hall, Mr R Hall, Mrs K Lawson, Mrs J Marshall,   
Mr P Robinson and Mr G Todd.

**In attendance:** Ms E More Dutton**,** Mr G Cookson – clerk to the council

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| **1.** | **TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  There were no apologies to record, all members were present. |  |
| **2.** | **APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN** It was resolved that Mr Peter Robinson be appointed chairman for the year. |  |
| **3.** | **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN**  It was resolved that Mrs Cora Cowap be appointed vice-chairman for the year. |  |
| **4.** | **MEMBERS’ INTERESTS** There had been no changes to members’ interests since their declarations were last completed. |  |
| **5.** | **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** The minutes of the meeting held on 3 April 2018 were confirmed as a correct record. The minutes of the meeting held on 6 March were confirmed as a correct record. |  |
| **6.** | **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**  These were dealt with in the relevant sections of the agenda. |  |
| **7.** | **PLANNING MATTERS**   1. **Applications**   **APP NO:** 18/01330/FUL **Proposal**: Conversion of agricultural buildings to form 2 dwellings.  **Location:** Land At Coneygreave Farm Mill Lane Little Budworth  The council had no objections to this proposal  **Notification of Decision APP NO:** 17/05454/S73 **Proposal**: Variation on condition 4 on planning application 17/02383/FUL to extend the opening hours by 1 hour from 23.00 to 00.00  **Location:** The Hollies Forest Road Utkinton Tarporley  Granting of planning permission.  **APP NO:** 17/01008/FUL **Proposal**: Orangery extension to rear elevation (part retrospective)  **Location:** Hawkswood Beech Road Little Budworth Granting of planning permission. |  |
| **8.** | **VILLAGE INITIATIVES AND ACTIVITIES** Village Green: the village fete will take place on 7 July. Planning is currently going ahead. The RoSPA report on the play equipment has been received. It was also reported that Scottish Power have asked for permission to prune a tree on the VG which is growing very close to their power lines. There will be no charge to the council for this work. Permission was granted. It was also reported that the VG Cttee will be looking at grant funding opportunities to enhance the play equipment on the VG.  Village Hall: The ceiling has been re-plastered and the damage to the floor which occurred during the work has been partially repaired. Outstanding repairs will be undertaken in the near future. Little Budworth Common: nothing to report. Little Budworth Charities: nothing to report. Oulton Park Liaison Committee: the OP Family Day will be held in early June and the Villages’ Day later in the summer.  Parish Plan: progress is being made on advertising opportunities on the website. Village amenities: litter pick had taken place along Coach Road/Park Road. Overhanging hedges and trees will be taken up with householders. | VG Cttee |
| **9.** | **CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS**  **Parish Assembly:** following representations made by a resident it was acknowledged that a mistake had been made in the wording of the notice advertising the meeting but this had been quickly rectified. It was also confirmed that the necessary requirements publicising the meeting had been met.  However, a serious issue about some council members being harassed about some web posts was raised. If members of the public have matters to raise they should be logged with either the chair or the clerk. The council takes very seriously the harassment of its members and will not tolerate invasions of their privacy. **Community Transport:**  the local authority is launching a community transport initiative which will be publicised widely. The council will consider the issues for Little Budworth. |  |
| **10.** | **FINANCE** The following payments were authorised:  G Cookson salary: 1 – 31 May and council expenses 1 March – 30 April, £123.78 (cheque no 200332)  Jamiw Wright - #117 mowing and maintenance  **Clerk’s salary:** it was reported that the clerk will be entitled to a pay rise backdated to 1 April 2018 under the recently agreed national pay award. The new pay arrangements will be introduced from the June meeting. |  |
| **11.** | **DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING** The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 5 June 2017 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm. |  |