## LITTLE BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 11 March 2013 in the Village Hall

**Present:** Mr R Hall (chairman), Mrs C Cowap, Ms G Fairhurst,

Miss J Hales, Mr P Robinson, Mr J Watson and

Mr M Whitaker.

**In attendance:** Mr G Cookson – clerk to the council

Mrs E More Dutton

Mr M Carnegie – for item 6

## 1 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2013 were confirmed as a correct record.

All actions from the previous meeting were checked and dealt with under the various sections of the agenda.

## **2 MATTERS ARISING**

These were dealt with under the relevant sections of the agenda.

## **3 PLANNING MATTERS**

**Applications** 

**APP NO:** 13/00843/FUL

**Proposal:** Erection of vehicle maintenance building.

Location: Wood Cottage Farm, Longstone Lane, Little Budworth,

Tarporley

The council had no objection to this proposal.

A revised plan was received from Bloor Homes, regarding the proposal to build on land off Booth Avenue. The council acknowledged the reduced scale of the development (to 15 homes) but still had concerns about the impact on sewers and drains, the loss of high quality agricultural land and the need for more starter homes and affordable homes in the development.

Also, Mr O'Connor, the developer of the proposed respite and rejuvenation centre for armed forces veterans talked to members about the council's concerns relating to traffic issues. An exchange of views took place but the council reasserted its concerns but nevertheless supported the laudable aims of the project.

#### 4 VILLAGE GREEN

Maintenance issues were being addressed and a possible scheme of works was to be drawn-up.

#### 5 VILLAGE HALL

There were no items to report.

# 6 CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER MATTERS

**Parish Plan:** update indicated that the first draft of the responses from the village survey was being prepared but information from organisations in the village needed to be incorporated into the data base.

Little Budworth Country Park: progress was being made "behind the scenes" although the council was still awaiting details of the first meeting of the extended stakeholders' group. However, CWaC had agreed to the inclusion of the parties suggested by the parish council in the stakeholders' group.

## 7 FINANCE

The following payments were authorised:

G Cookson salary 1 – 31 March 2013;

HMRC - PAYE Jan - March 2013 £187.39

Income: £300 from Egerton Estates towards the cenotaph renovation. Audit 2012/13: in readiness for the audit the council undertook a review of the effectiveness of its internal controls and risk assessments. Specific risk assessments in respect of corporate management, fixed assets, and its policies and organisation were reviewed and it was agreed that the risks to the council were covered by its policies and internal controls.

## **8 OTHER BUSINESS**

The Red Lion: members were aware that the current tenant had relinquished her tenancy and were concerned that the pub had suffered a downturn in trade recently. It was agreed to approach Robinson's Brewery to ask them to ensure that the tenancy is protected and to put in a temporary manager whist a new tenant is sought.

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### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will take place on Monday 8 April 2013 in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm, and the annual parish meeting will take place on Thursday 25 April.