

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of
Burton and Dalby Parish Council held on Wednesday 20th December 2023
in Great Dalby Village Hall at 7.00 pm**

Present

Councillors: Ingram, Blewett, Johnson and Watson. Councillor Wilkinson (owing to unforeseen circumstances joined the meeting via Teams)

Clerk: Michele Jones

Borough and County Representatives: 2

Members of the Public: 12

102/23 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Davies.

103/23 To Receive Declarations of Interest in respect to items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

104/23 Agree and Sign Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 29th November 2023

It was resolved that the Minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday 29th November 2023 had been amended and these were duly signed by the Chairman.

105/23 Matters Arising from the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 31st October 2023

Following the presentation by Mr Duncan Forbes at the November meeting a revised report had been received. The Councillors agreed that they would discuss the report, draw conclusions and discuss in detail at a future meeting.

106/23 Opportunity for County/Borough Councillors/members of the public to speak

There were a number of members of the public from the villages within the Parish were in attendance at the meeting in relation to **Agenda Item 107/23**. Borough Councillor Bob Child and County Councillor Joe Orson were also in attendance.

107/23 MMDR January 2024 Road Closure

Both residents within the Parish and the Parish Council had been advised of the impending road closure at the beginning of December which was totally inadequate with residents believing that the timing of this had been done so that no-one would be available over the Christmas period.

Residents raised a number of points including:

- When residents visited the public meeting at Parkside in March 2023 (open day) they were assured that there would be no road closures. Full closure of the A606 has never been discussed and the proposed diversion is too long.
- Concerns were raised over the vulnerability of residents in Burton Lazars with increased taxi fares, the loss of the RF1 bus service being suspended, the impact on refuse collections and the increased waiting times for emergency services. In addition, residents believed that the

local police had not been notified of the road closure and there were no traffic management plans in place. A resident advised that they had requested copies of the full risk assessments but, at the time of the Parish Council meeting, these had not been forthcoming.

- A representative from Burton Lazars Village Hall advised that to date the village hall had lost approximately £2,000.00 in revenue for the month of January 2024.

In summary, residents believed that there had been a lack of communication from LCC or anyone else to the community and the Parish Council. Any communication had been late, minimal and ambiguous. Lack of consideration has been given to the proposed local routes that will be used. Residents want to see LCC come up with another set of proposals and have to instruct Galiford Try. There is no evidence of a contingency plan in place if the road works over run.

It was proposed by Councillor Ingram, seconded by Councillor Blewett that County Councillor Joe Orson calls an emergency meeting on Thursday 21st December 2023 at Burton Lazars Village with representatives from LCC Highways, MMDR representatives, Galliford Try, Parish Councillors and Members of the Public.

108/23 Melton Local Plan Update – Issues and Options Regulation 18 Consultation Notification

Councillor Wilkinson had send to Councillors a proposed response advising that all questions have a response. It was proposed by Councillor Johnson and seconded by Councillor Blewett that any responses to comments are via the Planning Sub-group to Councillor Wilkinson who will then submit the Parish Council's response.

109/23 Street-Lighting within the Parish

Councillor Wilkinson requested that, due to the increasing charges for our street lighting, the Parish Council obtains quotes for undertaking a review of the street lighting within the Parish to include repairs, replacements and energy costs.

110/23 EV Charging Points within the Parish

Councillor Blewett advised that he had been in conversation with members of the Village Hall who were in favour of this initiative being pursued by the Parish Council. Councillor Wilkinson advised that he had made contact with Tilton on the Hill who has 4 charge points at their Village Hall. Councillors agreed that having a charge point(s) at Burton Lazars Village Hall would be an asset and Councillor Watson agreed to contact the pub in Great Dalby to enquire if they may be interested in have a charge point(s) in their car park. A letter will be sent, in due course, to the village hall committee at Burton Lazars.

111/23 Ernest Cook Trust – Update

Councillor Ingram advised that he had a good meeting with representatives of the Trust who will offer their support to the Parish Council on future projects. Regular communications will be maintained by the Trust and the Parish Council.

112/23 Project Planning

Councillor Ingram advised that as the Parish Council was planning for a number of projects that each of these projects should have a number of councillors allocated to them. This will be an Agenda item for the January 2024 meeting.

113/23 QR Codes

Councillor Johnson advised that she had been in contact with DSCM in Sileby and had agreed to visit them in the New Year to discuss the Parish Council's requirements.

114/23 Planning Matters – Update

(a) Update on Status of Applications – 20th December 2023:

| Number | Address | Description | Status |
|----------------|--|--|---|
| 23/00959/FULHH | Ashgrove Gartree Hill Road Little Dalby | Demolition of outbuilding. Erection of single storey outbuilding to provide gymnasium ancillary accommodation | Pending |
| 23/01074/DIS | Meadow Cottage 37 New Road Burton Lazars | Discharge Conditions 4 (landscaping scheme), 5 (tree protection measures), 10 (treatment of the PRow), and 12 (screen planting) attached to planning permission 21/00834/FUL | Pending |
| 23/00813/FULHH | The Grange 32 New Road Burton Lazars | Construction of a new garage with upper floor hobby/workshop space for use incidental to the occupation of the dwelling, including demolition of existing outbuildings | Pending PC has sent a response to MBC |
| 22/00998/FULHH | 18 Cross Lane Burton Lazars | Log Cabin/Annex | Pending |
| 23/00963/DIS | Former Site of Sandy Lane Poultry Farm Sandy Lane Melton Mowbray | Discharge of Condition 7 (elevations, materials and site boundary details), Condition 9 (ecology mitigation report) and Condition 10 (front garden landscaping) of planning approval 20/00438/REM dated 14.12.2022 | |
| 23/00059/DIS | Former Site of Sandy Lane Poultry Farm Sandy Lane Melton Mowbray | Discharge of Conditions 3 (Materials), 4 (Landscape Management Plan), 5 (Environmental Report), 6 (Written Scheme of Remediation), 9 (Written Scheme of Investigation), 12 (Hard and Soft Landscape Detail), 14 (Surface Water Drainage), 15 (Revised Discharge and Storage Calculations), 16 (Sandy Lane Improvements), 17 (Sandy Lane Junction Sight Lines) and 18 (Access Scheme) of planning approval 15/00537/OUT dated 19 April 2017 | Pending |
| 15/00127/OUT | Land adjacent to Childs Cottage Melton Road Burton Lazars | Updated information received – Erection of up to 175 (C3) dwellings and associated public open space, landscaping and drainage infrastructure | PC has sent a response to MBC |
| 23/00541/FULHH | Ivy Dene Barn 2A Burrough End Great Dalby | Demolition of existing outbuilding. Re-build to form annexe to main dwelling | Pending |

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| 23/00549/VAC | 10 Nether End Great Dalby | Variation of Condition 2: Plans and removal of Condition 5: Implementation of new access prior to occupation in respect of previously approved application 21/00669/FUL | Pending Amended Plans submitted for Condition 2 & 5 |
| 23/00151/FUL | Field Farm Kirby Road Great Dalby | Stationing of mobile home for an agricultural worker for a 3 Year limited period (resubmission of application 20/00539/FUL | Pending PC has sent a response to MBC |
| 21/00825/VAC | OS4240 Burdetts Close Great Dalby | Variation of Conditions: 5,8 and 23 and discharge of conditions 3,4,11,12,16,17,18,19,20 and 21 to application 18/00721/OUT | Pending |
| 21/00289/REM | OS 4240 Burdetts Close Great Dalby | Reserve Matters application for Scale, External Appearance of the building(s), Landscaping of the site (as listed in Condition 2 on the Outline Planning Approval 18/00721/OUT) | Pending |
| 21/00998/GDOCOU | Home Farm Burrough Road Little Dalby | Proposed change of use of modern agricultural building to flexible commercial use | Pending |
| 20/01234/OUT | Yew Tree Farm 24 Top End Great Dalby | Outline Planning Application for up to 33 no. new dwellings | Pending PC has sent a response to MBC |

115/23 Councillor Working Groups – Update

Village Enhancements: – These areas are to be individually assessed and will need to be identified

Traffic Monitoring: – Nothing to Report

Vegetation Management: – The Clerk advised that she had written to LCC Footpaths regarding the overhanging vegetation on the top of Peppers Lane/Cross Lane, Burton Lazars. Councillor Blewett advised that these works had not yet been done

Councillor Johnson asked the Clerk to follow up the overgrown hedge at a property on Main Street, Great Dalby

Parish Council Assets: – Nothing to Report

Children’s Holiday Activities and Grants to Community Groups: - The Clerk advised that an application had been received from Burton Lazars Village Hall Committee for the purchase of a New Age Curling Bundle at a cost of £383.99 and a Giant Jenga Garden Game at a cost of £35.70 for use by the residents, both young and old, at the village hall. It was proposed by Councillor Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Blewett that both items are purchased by the Parish Council for use by the community

Finance: - The Clerk will circulate to Councillors proposed budget figures for 2024/2025 to assist with the calculating of the Parish Precept

116/23 Review and Agree Financial Reports

The Clerk had sent to Councillors in advance of the meeting a list of payments required from 1st December to 30th December 2023. The payments were proposed by Councillor Ingram and seconded by Councillor Blewett.

| Month | Payee | Purpose | Amount £ |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| December | M E Jones (Clerk) | Wages (December) | 661.96 |
| | GD Village Hall | December Meeting – Hire | 28.00 |
| | St James Church, Burton Lazars | November Meeting – Hire | £20.00 |
| | Edwards & Edwards Consultancy | Traffic Data Analysis – Attendance at PC meeting | 1,800.00 |
| | LCC | ANPR & ATC Surveys | 5,280.00 |

117/23 What’s For the Community – News Bulletins

It was agreed that the next News Bulletin would be prepared in the New Year.

118/23 Parish Councillors’ Reports and Risk Assessments

Councillor Blewett:

- (a) Advised that the flooding on Sawgate Lane was an increasing problem for motorists. The Clerk will write to LCC Highways

119/23 Clerk’s Report

The Clerk had nothing to report.

120/23 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 31st January 2024 at St James Church, Burton Lazars.

Signed (Chairman)

Date: