

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of
Burton and Dalby Parish Council held on Wednesday 31st January 2024
in Great Dalby Village Hall at 7.00 pm**

Present

Councillors: Blewett, Johnson, Wilkinson and Watson.

Clerk: Michele Jones

Borough and County Representatives: 0

Members of the Public: 1

121/23 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Davies and Ingram and Borough Councillor Bob Child.

122/23 To Receive Declarations of Interest in respect to items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

**123/23 Agree and Sign Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th
December 2023**

It was resolved that the Minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday 20th December 2023 were correct and these were duly signed by Councillor Blewett, who was chairing the meeting in the absence of Councillor Ingram, Chairman.

**124/23 Matters Arising from the Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on
Wednesday 20th December 2023**

Agenda items for the January meeting addressed any action points from the December meeting. Councillor Wilkinson advised that he had forwarded the Parish Council's response to the Melton Local Plan Update – Issues and Options Regulation 18 Consultation within the required time frame.

125/23 Opportunity for County/Borough Councillors/members of the public to speak

There was one member of the public in attendance who was communicating with a number of people as they wanted to hold Officers, County/Borough Councillors and Leicestershire County Council to account for the recent MMDR works. It was suggested by him that as the road would be closed again later in the year if additional works could take place to include the erecting of speed cameras and resurfacing of the road to reduce the vibration noise from speeding traffic through the village of Burton Lazars. Councillor Blewett advised that the Parish Council would be looking at acquiring more speed data moving forward.

126/23 A606 Burton Road Closure – January 2024 - Update

Councillors advised that the road reopened on Sunday 28th January 2024 as scheduled.

It was agreed that a Statement would be issued from the Parish Council reflecting on the problems which occurred, the communication issues, etc. Councillor Wilkinson agreed to draft the Statement and bring it back to the next meeting for discussion.

It was proposed by Councillor Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Blewett that a meeting date be arranged between LCC, Galiford Try and Parish Councillors to look ahead to the upcoming closure in the summer.

The Parish Council offered their appreciation to the Villagers for their support and generosity during what was a challenging time for many.

127/23 Traffic Monitoring

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had forwarded to Councillors a communication from Alicia Kearns, MP, who had conducted a constituency-wide speeding survey and the village of Burton Lazars had been placed 7th in the top 20 of the 187 villages who responded.

Following the collection of data from the survey undertaken in May 2023 it was suggested that another survey be done in May 2024. This would enable the Parish Council to look at comparables between the data. Councillor Wilkinson advised that he had looked at the recommendations from our May 2023 survey and that the Parish Council could decide for themselves where the pneumatic tubes would be located. Councillor Wilkinson agreed to produce a map and liaise with Edwards and Edwards, who would analyse the data and LCC.

The Clerk advised that LCC had been contacted by a Little Dalby resident about a Community Speedwatch Scheme. Councillor Wilkinson suggested that residents be invited to register their interest in joining a Parish Community Speedwatch Scheme using the Parish Council website. Councillor Watson suggested that this be put on the Village Facebook Pages.

128/23 Parish Council Website

The Clerk advised that the Parish Council contract with 2commune would expire in August 2024. The website is currently being managed by Cuttlefish until the expiry date. It was proposed by Councillor Blewett and seconded by Councillor Watson that the Parish Council remains with Cuttlefish. Councillor Watson agreed to research alternative suppliers of Parish Council websites prior to August.

129/23 Street-Lighting within the Parish

Councillors Wilkinson and Johnson advised that all the street-lighting maintenance is carried out by LCC. Conversations are currently being held with LCC regarding the option of LED lights. Councillor Wilkinson distributed maps showing the location of the street-lights owned by the Parish Council.

130/23 Project Management

Prior to the meeting, Councillor Ingram had sent a list of nominated Councillors for each of the Parish Council's significant projects. Following discussions, the following was agreed by all Councillors in attendance:

Project	Councillors
Little Dalby Telephone Kiosk and Defibrillator	Ingram, Johnson and Watson
Great Dalby Play Area	Ingram and Davies
Great Dalby Bridge	Councillors Johnson, Watson and Wilkinson
Summer Camp	Councillors Blewett and Davies
Traffic Monitoring	Councillors Wilkinson, Blewett and Johnson
Little Dalby Gateway Planters	Councillors Ingram and Johnson
Website	Councillors Watson, Davies and Wilkinson
EV Charging	Councillors Blewett, Wilkinson and Watson
Parish Street-lighting	Councillors Wilkinson and Johnson
Kings Wood/Monarchs Walk	Councillors Ingram, Blewett and Davies

Community Initiative Scheme	Councillors Blewett and Davies
Little Dalby Church Track/path	Councillors Ingram and Johnson
Multi Village Speeding Initiative	Councillors Wilkinson and Davies

It was agreed by Councillors that for future meetings the Agenda item 'Councillor Working Groups' would be 'Project Groups'.

131/23 Budget and Precept 2024/2025

Prior to the meeting, Councillor Ingram had sent to all Councillors the revised paperwork for discussion. It was proposed by Councillor Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Watson and agreed that the precept figure for 2024/2025 is £32,398.00. As acting Chairman, Councillor Blewett signed the precept paperwork which the Clerk will forward to MBC.

132/23 EV Charging Points within the Parish

The Clerk was requested to send a letter to the Village Hall Management Committee to request an informal meeting to have a conversation about the possible installation of EV charging point(s) at Burton Lazars Village Hall. Councillor Watson advised that he hoped to speak with the landlord of the PH in Great Dalby before the next meeting.

133/23 QR Codes

Councillor Johnson advised that this was on-going and subject to confirmation appertaining to the supplier of the Parish Council website.

134/23 Planning Matters – Update

The Clerk advised that there were no new applications or approvals since the December meeting.

(a) Update on Status of Applications – 30th January 2024:

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
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

135/23 Councillor Working Groups – Update

Village Enhancements: – Councillors Ingram and Johnson will complete a village walkabout towards the end of February

Traffic Monitoring: – This has been covered under Agenda Item 127/23

Vegetation Management: – The footpath hedge opposite Peppers Lane, Burton Lazars has not yet been reduced and the overgrown hedge at 26 Main Street, Great Dalby still requires attention. The Clerk will chase these works.

Parish Council Assets: – Nothing to Report

Children’s Holiday Activities: - Councillor Blewett requested that the Clerk write to OMNI asking for a proposal for the Summer Camp 2024

Grants to Community Groups: - It was proposed by Councillor Johnson and seconded by Councillor Watson that the Parish Council approves the sum of £1,170.00 plus VAT for the drainage repairs to Great Dalby Playground scheduled in the Spring. The Clerk will write to the Great Dalby Playground Project to advise them of the Parish Council’s decision. It was proposed by Councillor Watson and seconded by Councillor Johnson that if the Great Dalby Play Area wants to apply for any additional monies to the £1,500.00 which has been allocated to them up to and including the financial year 2025/2026 an application is made to the Parish Council using the Community Initiative Fund Grant Application Form

The Clerk advised that the Parish Council had been sent notification that Great Dalby church were embarking on a scheme to get mains water to the church and were looking at the internal design to house toilet and server areas. Councillors agreed that they were welcome to apply for a grant. The Clerk will send the paperwork for completion.

Councillor Watson advised that there would be Great Dalby Feast celebrations in June 2024 and that community groups are likely to apply for some Grant funding.

Finance: - This has been covered under Agenda Item 131/23

136/23 Review and Agree Financial Reports

The Clerk had sent to Councillors in advance of the meeting a list of payments required from 1st January 2024 to 31st January 2024. The payments were proposed by Councillor Blewett and seconded by Councillor Wilkinson.

Month	Payee	Purpose	Amount £
January	M E Jones (Clerk)	Wages (January)	661.96
	Burton Lazars VH	December Meeting – MMDR	56.00
	Leicestershire County Council	Street-lighting 2023/2024	5,188.74
	Leics Footpath Assoc	2024 Membership	6.00
	LRALC	Internal Audit 2023/2024	245.00
	Health & Care	New Age Curling	383.99

137/23 What's For the Community – News Bulletins

Councillors agreed that the News Bulletin would be produced during the last month of each quarter – March, June, September and December.

138/23 Parish Councillors' Reports and Risk Assessments

Councillor Johnson:

- (a) The orange barricade is still in place in Great Dalby. A request was made that this is now reported to LCC Highways.

139/23 Clerk's Report

- (a) TTRO – Gartree Hill Road, Little Dalby – Tuesday 13th February 2024 for 3 days – Severn Trent Water – service apparatus repair works
- (b) MBC Waste site will be closed from Monday 19th February to Friday 1st March 2024
- (c) CiCLE Classic Races will be held on Sunday 17th March 2024 and Sunday 28th April 2024
- (d) LRALC Course – 7th February 2024 – Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups is now full. Another course will be offered later in the year.

140/23 Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Wednesday 28th February 2024 at Great Dalby Village Hall.

Signed (Chairman)

Date: