# Burscough Town Council Meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at Burscough Village Primary School, Colburne Close starting at 7pm

#### Present

Cllr B Kennedy Chairman

Cllr C Dereli

Cllr J Crawford

Cllr J Horsley

Cllr D Moss

Cllr N Pollington

Cllr C Ryley

Mrs J Maguire Clerk

Mrs S Gill Deputy Clerk

### **MINUTES**

#### 15. Welcome

The Chairman opened the June meeting with a warm welcome, this also included the residents that were in attendance and Cllr Moss who was attending his first meeting as Vice Chairman of the Town Council.

### 16. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bailey and Burns; these were accepted by the Councillors present at the meeting.

## 17. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Non-Pecuniary Interest</u>

Cllr Crawford - Non pecuniary item 12 on the agenda.

Cllr Pollington – Non pecuniary partner works at the 'Thirsty Duck' located within the Warf.

## 18. To receive any issues raised by members of the public

One member of the public was present but made no comment. A further two members attended and provided the following comments.

Reports of anti-social behaviour in the area behind Stanley Court, this
has been on ongoing issue for at least a twelve-month period. The
report included drinking, loud noises, drug taking and urinating which
often went on to the early hours of the morning. It was noted that there
are now four licences premises within the Warf and the Town Council
had not been involved in any of the decisions to either provide a licence
or extend the licence.

Action: - Clerk to write to the Neighbourhood Police Team. Write to West Lancashire Borough Council regarding changes of use for all businesses within the Wharf. Write to the Management Company. Write to the Environmental Agency. Write to the Borough

# Councillors (Damien Owen and Patricia Burnside. Write to the Chief Operating Officer at West Lancashire Borough Council.

# 19. Comments from Borough and County Councillors Cllr Pope reported: -

- Chancel way still remains unadopted by Lancashire Highways who are currently looking at extending the double yellow lines.
- He was asked by the Town Council about resurfacing of the road on Square Lane and he reported that he was currently pushing for this to be on the work plan for next year along with Runnel Brow. The Town Council raised the issue of a gully on Square Lane that has been repaired only six weeks ago which had been marked out for repair recently. He also reported this was an issue of the quality of repairs which he is also raising with Lancashire Highways.
- The Town Council also requested an update on the Toucan Crossing on the A59 following the accident, he confirmed he would report back.

### Police Report

Chairman.

- The Clerk informed the Town Councillors that she had sometime ago joined "Lancashire in the Know' neighbourhood alerts and provided the latest emails for discussion.
- Previous Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Burscough Town Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022

  Cllrs received a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting. It was resolved that the minutes of the Annual Meeting of Burscough Town Council Meeting dated 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022, were approved. These were proposed by Cllr Ryley and seconded by Cllr Moss with a unanimous vote to be duly signed by the
- Previous Minutes of the Full Town Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022

  Cllrs received a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting. It was resolved that the minutes of the full Town Council Meeting dated 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022, were approved. These were proposed by Cllr Horsley and seconded by Cllr Crawford with a unanimous vote to be duly signed by the Chairman.
- 23. Previous Minutes of the Confidential Town Council Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022

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24. Finance

- a) The Town Councillors accepted the letter received from the Internal Auditor following the audit on the 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 and they congratulated the Clerk and Deputy Clerk on the work done and noted the positive feedback from the auditor.
- b) The following payments were approved at the meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Proposed by Cllr Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Crawford with a unanimous vote. It was formally noted that Cllr Moss and Cllr Kennedy would authorise the online payments.

Month 3 - Approved June 2022

	Month 5 - Approved June 2022					
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e f	Payee	Reference	Description	Online/ SO/DD	Amount	
3	NRE Surveyors	D11927	Office Lease (June 2022)	so	525.00	
3 7	Sefton Council for Voluntary Service	8521	Internal Auditor - Independent examination 31.03.	On Line	75.00	
3 8	Cllr Brian Bailey	Travel Expenses	Travel expenses WLAC Mtg & road cones collection & return	On Line	31.50	
3	Rural Services Partnership Limited	RMTG/22/02 2	Annual Rural Market Town Group Membership April'22 -March'23	On Line	135.60	
4	Illumidex UK Ltd	Inv 3107	Install lights into 6 trrs (Smithy Lane & Canal Bridge)	On Line	4,086.00	
4	North West Linux	INV 11706	Transfer domains to new account as requested by web designer	On Line	42.00	
4 2	Alpha Business Products	Inv 64626	Photocopier Usage to 30/04/2022	On Line	133.91	
4 3	Chord Print Solutions	Order No. 245	Barrier baskets vinyl stickers re Jubilee & BTC Badge	On Line	129.00	
4	Yates Playgrounds Ltd	INV-2014	Playground Inspection 20.5.22 - Mere Ave	On Line	30.00	
4 5	People's Pension (B&CE Holdings Ltd)	01/06/2022	Pension re May Salaries 2022	DD	578.14	
4 6	HMRC	428PH001266 51	Tax & NI period ending 05/06/2022	On Line	758.46	
4 7	Employee 07	Salary May 2022	Salary re May2022 paid June 2022	On Line	1,728.20	
4 8	Employee 08	Salary May 2022	Salary re Mayl 2022 paid June 2022	On Line	777.77	
4 9	Knitting Group	Donation for wool	Balance of Donation to knitting group re wool purchase for Jubilee decorations	On Line	20.84	
5 0	Grenke Leasing Ltd	INV 0000238981/ 2022	Pro-rata 25/05/22-31/12/221 annual equipment protection (New machine)	On Line	70.56	
5 1	Grenke Leasing Ltd	INV 0000238982/ 2022	Documentation fee for new machine	On Line	120.00	
5 2	Grenke Leasing Ltd	INV 0000238983/ 2022	Photocopier lease (new machine) 25/05/22- 30/06/2022	On Line	63.94	
5 3	Employee 7	Zoom Fees June 2022	Zoom Fees June 2022 reimbursement	On Line	14.39	
	Total for month				£9,320.31	

# 25 <u>Interchange Building</u>

a) It was resolved to authorise James Hart (Solicitor) to accept service of the contracting notice. This was proposed by Cllr

### Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Moss, with a unanimous vote.

b) The Chairman reported that the lease agreement for the Interchange Building had been signed this week, the contractors had been in the building measuring up for supplies and the Town Council are now in procession of one set of keys.

### 26 Police and Crime Commissioner

a) It was noted that Town Council representatives are meeting with Andrew Snowden Police and Crime Commissioner on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

### 27 Fracking

- a) The response from West Lancashire Borough Council and information available on Lancashire County Council's website was noted.
- b) It was agreed that as fracking decisions have now been devolved to the government the Clerk would write to Rosie Cooper MP to inform her that Burscough Town Council are against franking in West Lancashire.

### 28 Train Cancellations

a) It was resolved to write to Northern Rail regarding on-going delays and cancellations of trains and to clarify the position of the ticket machines.

### 29 Climate Change

 a) Cllr Dereli is keen to set up displays and an open meeting to encourage resident support once the Town Council move to the Interchange Building

Meeting closed 8:36pm