

**Burscough Town Council Meeting**  
**held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Burscough Village Primary School,**  
**Colburne Close starting at 7pm**

Present

Cllr B Kennedy Chairman  
Cllr J Crawford  
Cllr C Dereli  
Cllr D Moss  
Cllr E Ouko  
Cllr N Pollington  
Cllr M Price  
Cllr S Teeling  
Mrs J Maguire Clerk

**MINUTES**

141.	<u>Welcome</u> The Chairman opened the March 2023 with a warm welcome the meeting started slightly later at 7:10pm.
142.	<u>Apologies</u> Cllr's Bailey, Horsley and Sargent these were accepted.
143.	<u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Non-Pecuniary Interest</u> None.
144.	<u>To receive any issues raised by members of the public</u> A resident raised that there had been damaged to vehicles on Crabtree Lane, this had been notified by 'In the Know' which also appears on the Town Council social media site. It was noted there were battery problems with the SPID on New Lane. <b>Action: - Clerk to contact the contractor.</b> Lawrence Critchley sent an email regarding organising a memorial for the rail crash victims, further details will follow. He also asked to be noted that the 80 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Atlantic was due to take place over the weekend of 26 <sup>th</sup> -28 <sup>th</sup> May 2023 and hoped there would be a fly past taking place over the Booths Memorial.
145.	<u>To receive comments from County and Borough Councillors</u> Cllr Fowler sent his apologies with an email with a brief update and the following was noted: -  1. McCarthy Stone proposed development is on March planning committee.

2. Red Cat Lane. I am awaiting an update from the Borough Council.
3. Play area YTF. Again, on planning committee in March. Concerned over safety however some reassurance over fencing that has been put in place with relevant life savers. Will consider at the meeting but overall think this is a step in the right direction re the linear park.
4. Cycle path progress- this seems to have stalled somewhat and again waiting for further information. However as there is LCC involvement it could be protracted.
5. Bretherton Court issue- A resident contacted me regarding a new wet room that may not proceed due to the positioning of the water heater. I was able to resolve with the officers and the wet room was completed the next day.
6. Two meetings have been held re land to the side of Lordsgate that is safeguarded for industrial. I feel quietly confident that if it must be built on then it will be housing.

Cllr Pope informed the meeting a school on the site of Yew Tree Farm was part of the masterplan, there is not the demand at the present for this to be moved forward. He also stated that the proposed Red Cat Lane development had been suggested to go to WLBC Planning Committee in April 2023. It was noted that he also suggested due to reforms to National Planning Policy it maybe worth revising our Neighbourhood Plan especially as WLBC Local Plan is under review – Christine Whittle is leading. It was noted he also provided Philip Dunnell as a contact at LCC regarding speed limits.

146. Police Report

None were present.

**Deputy Police Commissioner Andrew Pratt has agreed to attend our May Town Council meeting.**

147. Previous Minutes of the Full Town Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Cllrs received a copy of the minutes prior to the meeting. **It was resolved that the minutes of the full Town Council Meeting dated 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023, were approved.** These were proposed by Cllr Pollington and seconded by Cllr Crawford with a unanimous vote to be duly signed by the Chairman.

148. Finance

**a) It was resolved to approve the schedule of payments at the Town Council meeting of the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 proposed by Cllr Dereli and seconded by Cllr Teeling. The authorisers were agreed as Cllr's Crawford and Moss.**

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226	Feb-22	EA Formby NW LTD	INV1777	Crown reduction to trees on Mere Avenue	online	1,140.00
227	31/01/2023	Waring and Collins	INV0463	Artwork & printing for Town Council Newsletter No. 53	online	833.00
228	31/01/2023	Alpha Business Products	70575	Photocopier Usage 31/1/23	online	22.14

229	12/02/2023	Leaflet Delivery UK	LD831	Newsletter Delivery	online	216.00
230	09/01/2023	Mwinnard Landscapes Ltd	139	Garden Maintenance Contract	online	3,215.00
231	Feb-23	LALC	Plan230223/05	Councillor Training	online	240.00
232	31/01/2023	Shaw Savage Business Services Ltd	INV 67715	Stationery	online	12.36
233	03/02/2023	iData Destruction Limited	52656	3 x Sack of Confidential Waste	online	17.82
234	Feb-23	Employee 07 Expenses	Feb-23	Misc suppliers for the Interchange Building and Zoom	online	115.27
235	Feb-23	People's Pension (B&CE Holdings Ltd)	Feb-23	Pensions February salaries	DD	621.53
236	01/03/2023	Employee 07	Salary Feb	Salary Feb paid March 2023	SO	1,838.91
237	01/03/2023	Employee 08	Salary Feb	Salary Feb paid March 2023	SO	844.87
238	01/02/2023	HMRC	428PH00126651	Tax and NI period ending 5/3/2023	online	798.97
239	Feb-23	LALC	NCC280223/07	Councillor Training	online	70.00
240	24/02/2023	Ace Shelters	1522	Installation of 2 x Bay Cantilever Bus Shelter	online	3,444.00
241	24/02/2023	Ace Shelters	1523	Installation of a 3 x Bay Cantilever Bus Shelter	online	4,200.00
242	24/02/2023	Yates Playgrounds Ltd	INV2108	Inspection of Mere Ave Playground (Feb 22)	online	30.00
243	27/02/2023	P M Maguire	INV 1	Administrative and removal work	online	330.00
244	28/02/2023	B Bailey	Feb-23	Expenses Broadband and Phone (50% Oct - Feb)	online	105.45
		total for month				18,095.32

149. Interchange Working Group
- It was noted that a third attempt to install fibre to the Interchange building had failed.
  - It was noted that the expected move to the Interchange Building was Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023, but due to the unexpected snow this was further delayed until the 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
  - It was noted that the new furniture delivery date is set for Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

150. Street Scene Working Group
- a) The minutes of the Street Scene working group of the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 were noted.
  - b) **It was resolved to accept the recommendation from Street Scene Working Group to purchase 330 meters of bunting from Northwest Flags at a cost of £495, proposed by Cllr Price and seconded by Cllr Kennedy with a unanimous vote.**
  - c) **It was resolved to accept the recommendation from Street Scene Working Group to purchase 4ft x 3ft Flag from North West Flags at a cost of £9.99, proposed by Cllr Teeling and seconded by Cllr Moss with a unanimous vote.**
  - d) **It was resolved to accept the recommendation from Street Scene Working Group to purchase 35 lamp post signs from the Royal British Legion at a cost of £159.98, proposed by Cllr Pollington and seconded by Cllr Ouko with a unanimous vote.**
  - e) **It was resolved to accept the recommendation from Street Scene Working Group to purchase 700 boxed commemorative coins at a cost of £2,800 from Insignia, with the Town Council Logo on the back proposed by Cllr Crawford and seconded by Cllr Pollington with a unanimous vote.**
  - f) **It was resolved to accept the recommendation from Street Scene Working Group to allow a Kings Coronation Shop Window Competition at a maximum prize of £250, proposed by Cllr Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Pollington with a unanimous vote.**
  - g) **It was resolved to accept the recommendation from Street Scene Working Group to purchase summer plants and hanging baskets at a cost of £9,283.02 from Plantscape, proposed by Cllr Pollington and seconded by Cllr Price with a unanimous vote**

- 151 Traffic Issues Working Group
- a) The minutes of the Traffic Issues Working Group of the 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023 were noted.

- 152 Well-Being Grant – Burscough Village Primary
- a) Information regarding the impact of the Well-Being grant was well received by Town Councillors, who also noted their support to involve other Primary Schools providing an initiative to other Primary Schools. **Action Clerk to provide a grant application form and further discuss ideas.**

- 153 Climate Change
- Cllr Dereli informed that she was continuing with her work looking into Hynet and had been looking at information when this would be likely to be coming to

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the Northwest.

154. The response from the Lancashire South Cumbria Foundation was noted.

155. It was agreed for Cllr Moss to join the Traffic Issues Working Group.

156. Cllr Pollington gave a brief update to all Town Councillors following the LALC meeting, he informed they had received a very informative presentation from Mr Faulkner Planning Manager at WLBC, he suggested a future invitation to a Town Council or Planning meeting. It was noted that there are two Reginal Managers are now in post at WLBC heading up East and West of the A59. Christine Whittle is leading on the new Local Plan. Cllr Pollington also provided an update following conversations with Alan Fantom regarding electrifying lines Ormskirk – Preston with extensions to Burscough within the 1<sup>st</sup> stage. **Action Clerk to invite to a Town Council Meeting to further discuss.**

Meeting closed 8:52pm

The next Town Council meeting will be held Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 starting at 7pm at Burscough Town Council Offices, Interchange Building, Station Approach, Burscough L40 0RZ.


