

## BURTON SALMON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 in the Village Hall, Main Street, Burton Salmon.

**1/15 Present** - Cllr Vernon, Cllr Holmes, Cllr Foster, District Cllr Mackman, Clerk Meir.

Apologises – Cllr Wynne

### **2/15 Reports from Councillors –**

**2/15.1 School** – Cllr Bate reported that the school currently has 49 children in school and this will increase to 52 after the summer holidays. The new teachers in class 2 are settling in very well.

New benches are to be bought for use in the village hall, thanks to grants secured by the Parish Council, from CEF and the Monk Fryston Education Board.

The school runs after school clubs four nights a week, which are healthy eating, craft club, football club and revision club.

The school has a sports coach to teach P.E. lessons and the whole school has completed 6 weeks of swimming lessons at Knottingley. The school had finalist in the North Yorkshire Schools Cross County Championships and are competing in a quad Kids completion. Year 5 and 6 are also competing in a kwik cricket competition.

Class 2 have recently visited the Roundhouse in North Duffield and Class one visited Fairburn Ings. Class 1 will be making a third visit of the year to Stockbridge where they have planted, tended to and harvested vegetables. Padre John attends school regularly for assemblies.

The whole school will be going to Countryside Live at Ledsham, after half term.

The Summer Fair will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> June from 5 to 7pm. All are welcome.

**2/15.2 Highways/ Street Cleaning** – Council are happy with the street cleaning that has been done and agreed to continue with this for the coming year with the same budget of £500. Former Cllr Paterson has agreed to continue managing this and invoice the Council twice yearly. It was also agreed to include tidying the grounds and cutting the grass of the village hall this year.

**2/15.3 Cricket Club** – Cllr Foster reported that the Cricket Club has had a successful year this year and have been promoted to division 3 in the York Vale League. The club are in a good position with enough players available for matches.

**2/15.4 Village Hall** – Cllr Vernon presented a report on the financial position of the village hall which shows a small surplus of £27 for the period September 2014 to April 2015. Income is roughly the same as last year but costs have increased because of renewal of Chubb fire equipment and the higher cost of electricity as a result of the increased tariff. A Surplus of £200 is expected by the end of the year.

**2/15.5 Burial Committee** – Committee have concerns about capacity and are looking to extend when land becomes available. The number of burials is on the decline. Also have issue of people leaving ornaments and embellishing graves. A file copy of the constitution was given to the Clerk.

**2/15.6 Planning** – Cllr Wroe reported that we have had usual consultations on extensions etc to respond to this year. Also have had the ongoing issues with traveller's sites.

**2/15.7 Finances** – The 2014/15 Receipts and Payments Account and the Annual Return have been prepared and the internal audit has been conducted, with no issues raised. They are due to go to the External Auditors by the 8<sup>th</sup> June. The precept increased by 24% and staff costs increased due to extra hours. Other costs reduced due to the streetlight inspection and website set-up costs in the previous year.  
The 2015/16 Precept has been increased by 13%

**3/15 Matters raised by Parishioners** – No parishioners present.