**BURLESCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

**COUNCIL**

Thursday, 2 November 2023 at 19:00

Burlescombe and Westleigh Community Hall

**A MEETING** of the **BURLESCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL** will be held at Burlescombe and Westleigh Community Hall on Thursday, 2 November 2023 at 19:00.

**ALL MEMBERS** of the **COUNCIL** are summoned to attend for the purposes of transacting the business specified in the Agenda which is set out below:

**Please Note:** this meeting will take place at Burlescombe and Westleigh Community Hall and members of the Public and Press are able to attend.

**LEWIS WORROW**

Chairman

2 November 2023

**AGENDA**

1 **Apologies**

To receive any apologies for absence.

2 **Public Question Time**

To receive any questions relating to items on the agenda from members of the public and replies thereto.

3 **Declarations of Interest under the Code of Conduct**

To record any interests on agenda matters.

4 **Precept**

To present the Burlescombe Parish Council precept.

* Burlescombe Parish Council Precept
* Burlescombe Parish Council Precept Report

5 **Minutes**

To consider whether to approve the minutes as a correct record of the meeting held on 17 August 2023.

6 **Chairman’s Announcements**

To receive any announcements which the Chairman of the Council may wish to make.

* Community Advisory Board

7 **Petitions**

To receive any petitions from members of the public.

8 **Notices of Motions**

To receive any motions from members of the council.

9 **Reports**

To receive and consider the reports, minutes and recommendations of the recent meetings as follows:

1. Clerk’s Report
	1. Expenditure Incurred Since Last Meeting:
		1. Westleigh URC Hall Hire 17/08 £7.00
		2. Uncontested Election Costs MDDC £127.35
		3. Burlescombe & Westleigh Hall Hire 23/09 £30.00
		4. Clerk’s Salary August, September, October 2023 - £393.38 each month
		5. V Ivanova – Website Annual Costs & Development for 2023-2026 - £1080.00
	2. Expenditure Approved at the Meeting:
		1. P3 PROW Clearance Final 2023 Invoice and Maintenance Work – Nicholas Page £
		2. Clerk Salary November 2023, December 2023, January 2024 £393.38 each month
2. Planning Committee
* Junction 27 Energy Hub (with Representations from Clearstone Energy) Consultation request - 23/01351/MFUL 18th September 2023 refers – Parish Council lodged their objections on behalf of local residents before the 9th October 2023 deadline. **DECISION PENDING**
* Consultation request - 23/01306/CLU 18th August 2023 **DECISION PENDING**
* Consultation request - 23/01141/FULL 29th September 2023 **DECISION PENDING**
* Consultation request - 23/01419/FULL 10th October 2023 **DECISION PENDING**
* Consultation request - 23/01520/FULL 10th October 2023 **DECISION PENDING**
* Consultation request - 23/01605/HOUSE 16th October 2023 **DECISION PENDING**
* Consultation request - 23/01661/HOUSE 26th October 2023 **DECISION PENDING**
* Hartnoll Farm Application 21/01576/MOUT for expanding the business park and building up to 150 dwellings. It had been **Refused.** The Applicant had Appealed this decision but the Appeal has been dismissed.
* 23/01306/CLU Certificate of lawfulness for existing use of land for the siting of a mobile home for residential use, associated garden/amenity area and vehicular access for a period in excess of 10 years Location: Moorview Burlescombe Tiverton **APPROVED**
* 23/01485/NMA Non Material Amendment to Planning Permission 21/02217/HOUSE to insert window in East Elevation Location: Chapel Cottage Burlescombe Tiverton **APPROVED**
* 23/00526/HOUSE Erection of enlarged two storey extension and front porch following demolition of existing single and two storey extension and porch Location: Tulip Cottage Appledore Burlescombe Tiverton **REFUSED**
* 23/00911/FULL Erection of an agricultural storage building Location: Land at NGR 307874 115754 Valley View Burlescombe Devon **APPROVED**
1. Public Rights of Way (PROW)
* The Council has been informed that it can only carry out works on the lands conveyed in title number DN614491 in relation to the Westleigh Quarry Trail.
1. Quarry Liaison Committee
* The Quarry Liaison Committee met on 9 October 2023.
* A formal complaint was lodged against Aggregate Industries for their blasting activities near Canonsleigh, citing significant discrepancies in the impact and effects of the blasts on August 16th and September 12th, 2023, and requested an explanation, re-evaluation of blasting activities, mitigation measures, and transparent communication moving forward.
* Members discussed the use of the siren, but it was suggestions that its reintroduction should be discussed with residents beforehand.
1. The Grand Western Canal Joint Advisory Committee
* The Grand Western Canal Joint Advisory Committee met on 3 October, 2023.
* The agenda and draft minutes of which are now available Mid Devon District Council’s website.

10 **Member’s Business**

To receive any statements made and notice of future questions by Members.

11 **Date of Next Meeting**

To agree the date of the next meeting as 1 February 2024.

**Disorderly Conduct at Meetings**

Given the potential for highly contentious discussions and varying perspectives during this meeting, we want to emphasise the importance of maintaining a respectful and civil atmosphere throughout our proceedings. Our standing orders, as outlined in (21), (22), and (23), are in place to ensure that our meetings remain productive and conducive to open dialogue, even in the face of differing opinions and passionate debates.

We acknowledge that passionate discussions can sometimes lead to heightened emotions and tensions among participants. However, it is crucial to remember that our primary goal is to engage in constructive discourse, foster a climate of mutual respect, and reach informed decisions for the benefit of our community. To that end, we kindly request all participants to adhere to the following principles:

1. **Respectful Conduct**: All attendees are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful and civil manner, even when discussing highly contentious issues.
2. **Moderation**: In accordance with Standing Order 21, the Chairman of the meeting may request any individual(s) whose conduct is causing disruption to moderate or improve their behaviour.
3. **Compliance**: Should the Chairman's request (as per Standing Order 22) to moderate or improve conduct be disregarded, any Councillor or the Chairman of the meeting may propose a motion to exclude the disruptive individual(s) from further participation without discussion. This is a serious step intended to ensure the smooth continuation of the meeting.
4. **Restoring Order**: In the event that a resolution made under Standing Order 22 is ignored, the Chairman may take further reasonable steps, as permitted by Standing Order 23, to restore order and ensure the meeting's progression. This may include temporarily suspending or closing the meeting to address any disruptions effectively.

Please note that these measures are in place to maintain the integrity of our discussions and decision-making processes, particularly during highly contentious meetings. We strongly encourage all participants to engage in a constructive and respectful manner, even when dealing with differing views. By doing so, we can ensure that the meeting remains a forum for thoughtful exchange and effective decision-making.

We appreciate your cooperation in creating a conducive environment for productive deliberation. Thank you for your commitment to our community's well-being and the success of this highly contentious meeting.