

BURSTOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance & General Purpose Committee meeting of Tuesday 14th February 2023
held at the Centenary Hall, Smallfield

OPEN FORUM: No members of the public attended

Attendance: Chairman Ian Wates, Vice Chairman Bob Locke, Cllrs Ashleigh Bolton, Cat Dodman, Debbie Hale, Donna Morris and Linda Herwig. Mr Jones

- 1 Apologies received from Cllrs Carney, Lord and Gilbert for reasons accepted by Committee
- 2 Declarations of interest –None
- 3 The minutes of Tuesday 13th December 2022 were signed as a true record of the meeting.
- 4 No matters arising from the minutes
- 5 The GatCom report by Mr Jones is appended to the minutes. Cllr Herwig mentioned that when she first moved to the village, she was able to participate in the noise insulation scheme but now was excluded. Mr Jones explained that the noise contours have been re-drawn over the years as flightpaths change slightly and aircraft become quieter. Cllr Herwig also enquired about the Gatwick Airport Community Trust grant scheme. Mr Jones suggested Council apply and advised them the closing date for 2023 applications was the 31st March. Cllr Morris enquired about the average amount awarded in grants. Apparently, the average is £5,000 but occasionally can be higher. Mr Jones said he had attended a funding fair of the central and East Surrey voluntary groups towards the end of 2022 where he was asked to speak. He also took part in a Q & A panel.
- 6 A proposal by Cllr Wates that BPC supported the Coronation event with a £5,000 expenditure budget. Seconded by Cllr Dodman and carried unanimously
- 7 Finance – Cllr Locke and the Clerk explained there were a number of outstanding payments from parents of children attending the nursery. They asked the Committee how they would like to proceed with recovering the fees and the general consensus was that it would be unfair to parents who have paid and to residents if the money owed wasn't repaid and instructed Cllr Locke and the Clerk to use the Small Claims court process if people refused to pay.
Grant application – Cllr Wates proposed and it was seconded by Cllr Locke that BPC award a grant of £600 to the Plough Road Sports Club & Bar to be used toward the new path costs.
- 8 Urgent Items – The Clerk was asked to contact Tandridge and request an update regarding the broken roundabout on the Plough Road recreation ground.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 19.25. The next scheduled meeting is due to take place on Tuesday 11th April 2023

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