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Our ref: PDH/SG
Ask for: Peter Hughes
Date: 20th November, 2023

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is invited at the meeting of **BURNHOPE PARISH COUNCIL** for consideration of the undernoted agenda. The meeting will be held in Burnhope Community Centre on **Thursday 30th November, 2023** at 6.00 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

PETER HUGHES
Clerk

A G E N D A

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **POLICE REPORT**
3. **PARTNERSHIP REPORT**
4. **COMMUNITY CENTRE REPORT**
5. **MINUTES**
To consider the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2nd November, 2023.
6. **FINANCE REPORT**
7. **PLANNING MATTERS**
8. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Minutes of the Meeting of Burnhope Parish Council held on Thursday 2nd November 2023 in Burnhope Community Centre at 6:00 p.m.

Present

Councillor D. Coates (Chair)

Councillors J. Box, B. Henderson, C. J. McCulloch, T. Metcalf and G. Smith.

In Attendance

Alderman O. Johnson.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors L. Clarke, T. Clarke, P. Luther, S. J. McCormick, I. McKeag, County Councillor M. McGaun and PCSO P. Hart.

Police Report

The Clerk reported that the following information had been received from the Police:

- A total of 22 incidents had been reported during the last month.
- Four incidents involved Anti-Social Behaviour.
- A group of youths has been identified as causing problems and continues to be monitored.

Partnership Report

Councillor Henderson reported that

- More people had attended the last meeting than had attended the previous meeting.
- Allotment rents had been increased from £50 to £60 p.a. The increase will pay for additional security aimed at reducing vandalism.

Community Centre Report

- A proposal has been made to make an Order under Section 247 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to authorise the stopping up of two lengths of footpath which lie off Edge Lane in Burnhope in order to allow development to be carried out as permitted by Durham County Council under their reference DM/22/01769/FPA.

The Chair advised that he had signed and forwarded objections to the proposal to the Burnhope Partnership. Members fully supported the objections to the proposed closure of the footpath submitted by Councillor Coates.

As a result of the objections into the proposed footpath closure a Public Local Inquiry will be held on 7th November 2023.

- Halloween Party / Pumpkin Picking attended by 30 children.

- Disabled / Special Needs Cricket Group, organised by Durham County Cricket Club, meets in the Community Centre.
- Craft Group is doing well.
- The Christmas Fayre is to be held on 20th November 2023.

Minutes

Resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of Burnhope Parish Council held on 5th October 2023 be approved as a correct record:

Finance Report

The Clerk reported that the following payments had been made since the last meeting of the Council:

Description	Amount
	£
British Gas - Electricity for Christmas Tree Lights	11.86
T. Kernahan – Web Duties	46.10
Royal British Legion – Poppy Wreath	45.00
Total	102.96

Correspondence

The Clerk reported on the following items of correspondence:

- Various emails regarding the Parish Council's request to the Department for Transport to hold the Public Inquiry referred to above in Burnhope Community Centre as opposed to Lanchester Community Centre. The change of venue has been agreed.
- From Lanchester Parish Council re joint event for the D. Day. Celebrations. Lanchester Parish Council has agreed to a joint event. Alan Gibson from the Safety Advisory Group to meet the Clerk of Lanchester Parish.
- Durham County Council – Re further proposals to balance the Council's Budget.

New Play Equipment

Members were advised that the procurement process should be completed by the end of November 2023.

Remembrance Sunday

Remembrance Sunday will be held on Sunday 12th November 2023, with the service at the War Memorial commencing at 10.45 am.

Date of next meeting

The next Ordinary meeting of Burnhope Parish Council will be held on Thursday 30th November 2023 in Burnhope Community Centre commencing at 6:00 p.m.