

**THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF
BURTON LEONARD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of The Annual Parish Meeting of Burton Leonard Parish Council
held at St Leonards Hall
on Monday 9th April 2018 at 7.00pm**

Present

Cllr. H Parry (acting Chairman), Cllr. P Bappoo, Cllr. K Townson, Cllr. I Galloway (HBC), Cllr. Z Metcalfe (HBC), E Boddy (Temporary Parish Clerk), and 5 members of the general public attended.

Apologies for Absence

1. Cllr. P Gravestock, Cllr. O’Kane and Cllr. M Harrison (NYCC),
2. **Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 3rd May 2017**
The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish held on 3rd May 2017 were proposed by Cllr. Parry and seconded by Cllr. Townson and signed by Cllr. Parry.
3. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
There were no matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting
4. **Annual Report from the Chairman of the Parish Council**
The acting Chairman reported that the Parish Clerk had been absent due to ill health since June 2017 which had caused some difficulties operationally for the year. The Parish Council expressed thanks to the Temporary Clerk for the work undertaken to date.
The annual litter pick was a big success and a thank you was given to all the persons who had assisted with this project. Consideration could be given to having two litter pick sessions each year.
Cllr Parry reported that Cllr Gravestock had confirmed that the village hall had been well used for the previous 12 months for booked regular events and one-off specialist functions and events.
The Parish Council had been successful in raising £2200 for a new defibrillator thanks to the hard work of Cllr Townson who had taken charge of the project. The fund raising had been started with a grant of £800 from the NYCC Cllr Harrisons locality budget for a defibrillator. A private donation from local residents Mr and Mrs M Moore had helped significantly with the fund raising. Cllr. Parry thanked the YAS for their support and grant aid.
Cllr. Parry reported on the current situation of the planning applications for proposed residential development of 19 open-market dwellings and 12 affordable dwellings on land to the East of Scarah Lane, and the Outline planning permission with access considered for the construction of approximately 42 residential dwellings. Land Comprising Field At 432759 463602 Copgrove Road. A thank you was given to all the work that had been carried out to oppose the applications much of which had been carried out behind the scenes.
5. **Questions from the Public**
“Could the Parish Council explain why the Parish Council charge had been increased by 32% on the Council Tax Demand for the current year?”
Cllr. Parry responded that this was due to ensuring reserves were in place to meet potential statutory employment issues and possible repair work on the school access road.
“Should the Parish Council have given some explanation of this to rate payers in the village perhaps in the form of an open letter?”

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Cllr. Parry responded that this would have been sensible and this would be actioned with an open letter for the noticeboard and the information would be put on the website.

6. **Miscellaneous Matters for Discussion**

Cllr. Galloway advised that this meeting and the Parish Council meeting following the Annual Parish Meeting would be his last at Burton Leonard due to the electoral ward changes. Cllr. Parry thanked Cllr. Galloway for his work and support of the Parish Council. This was followed by Cllr Metcalfe who introduced herself giving a short biography of her councillor history and current responsibilities who would be standing as a candidate for the Claro Ward in the forthcoming elections.

7. **Questions from Residents who are on the Electoral Roll for Burton Leonard**

This was covered under Agenda Item 5.

8. **Close of Meeting**

The meeting closed at 7.20pm and was immediately followed by the Parish Council meeting.

9. **Date of the Next Meeting**

April 2019

Signed:

Date:

Chairman of the Parish Council