



Buckhorn Weston and Kington Magna Parish Council

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MINUTES OF BUCKHORN WESTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Held on Monday 4th March 2019 at 7pm in Buckhorn Weston Village Hall

1	The Chairman opened the meeting at 7pm and welcomed those present to the meeting.
	Present: Nigel Osborne (Chairman (NO), Roger Gosney (RG), Kevin Aldred (KA), Tim Wilton (TW), Mrs Valerie Standing (VS), Ms Phillippa Chapman (PC), Philip Talbot (PT), Simon Stranger (SS), Matthew Hoskins (MH), Mrs Eunice Dale (ED) Plus the following: Members of the Public: 12 In attendance: Parish Clerk: Sandra Mackintosh
2	Apologies: Parish Councillors: None
3	Approval of minutes: The minutes from the previous Buckhorn Weston APM held on the 5 th March 2018, having been previously circulated, were approved, signed and dated by the Chairman.
4	Report by the Chairman of the Parish Council: The Chairman stated that business has continued as usual and that the Parish Council have been actively involved with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Repair of several finger posts in the village with more being done at the present.• Moving the travellers at Five Bridges layby to Shaftesbury with further efforts being made to block up the back layby and find the travellers a permanent site. (This is a joint effort with the Stours Parish, Dorset County Council and Simon Hoare MP.)• Supporting the development of the Cross's Garage site although the application and appeal have both been refused.• Refurbishment and maintenance of the Kington Magna play area. Buckhorn Weston is grateful to have the Village Green Community Trust who maintain theirs.• Provision of a new vehicle splay on the A30 crossroads.• A WW1 commemoration event which raised £172.00 for the Royal British Legion.• The provision of additional grants to Buckhorn Weston community groups. Further work continues to ensure the management of impending route strategies for the Brains Farm anaerobic digester and the initiation of a speed limit appraisal which will be carried out shortly. Parish Council elections will take place on May 2 nd and anyone who wishes to put themselves forward as a candidate may do so by contacting the parish clerk at: buckhornweston@dorset-aptc.gov.uk . Deadline for submission of nominations is 4 th April 2019.
5	Reports from Buckhorn Weston Clubs and Organisations
	BWVCT: The village green has achieved much in the past year including the maintenance of the grassed areas, refurbishment of picnic tables and benches, renewal of the zip wire posts, re-bedding of the children's mushroom seats and tables, laying of the railway side hedge, maintenance of the 'wild area' for birds, insects and pollinators and regular monitoring/reporting of the defibrillator to ensure

its use at any given time. The 100 Club is in its twenty fifth year and is a valued source of income, although no longer covers the green's full insurance cost, and the Burns night continues to be an entertaining evening and great fund raiser with particular thanks to John MacPherson and Dizzy Hunter Gordon. Future aims include replacement of the worn out safety surfaces for the fort and swings and possible replacement of the mower/alternative solutions to maintaining the grass field. There are also plans to hold a summer party to raise further funds. The BWVCT expressed their gratitude to all those who assist them in their endeavours and also the Parish Council for the annual grant which they receive.

PCC: An average of three Sunday morning services per month and five weddings were held in 2018. The repair appeal, first launched nearly ten years ago, met its target for works with repairs completed to the internal walls of the church last March. Attention has now turned to the replacement of the bell frame and overhaul of the bells and clock. A considerable amount of money has already been raised for this but further is required. Munchkins, a mother and toddler group, continues averaging twelve mothers with their children each week. The PCC expressed their thanks for the annual grant towards the maintenance of the churchyard extension. The main churchyard continues to be maintained by volunteers.

Short Mat Bowls: The club continues to thrive with three sessions per week. Approximately 80% of attendees are from outside of the village.

Art Group: Formed five years ago and made up of a small group of keen painters who meet each week during term time, this is a not for profit group who's only cost is the weekly hire of the village hall and a shared contribution towards refreshments. With no more than 12 members, and having recently lost one member, there is currently room for a replacement. Apart from enthusiasm towards painting, the members also provide support in other ways and enjoy an art trip and picnic during the summer and a lunch at Christmas. Last year an exhibition was held where several works were sold. Thanks were given to the Village Hall for providing the facility with warmth and good light.

Cricket Club: 40 over a side Sunday afternoon cricket is played from early May through to mid-September with mid-week evening games and T-20 also enjoyed by players whose ages range from twelve to sixty. There is a junior cricket u13 team who will compete in the North Dorset Junior League. As a result of coaching eighteen children, five have graduated up to District level and one to County level. A new ladies team has been formed and Buckhorn Weston Cricket Club is proud to be one of the trail blazers in women's club cricket. The huge amount of effort required to maintain the pavilion and grounds is thanks to a committed team of helpers, the committee and Ian Martin who is able to provide professional knowledge. Social events continue to raise funds with a bi-annual ball, an annual open day and a six a side event which is scheduled for the 15th June. The cricket club looks forward to entering its twenty third season.

No other village group reports received.

6 Public Discussion: Although the purpose of an Annual Parish Meeting does require some formality, the Parish Council would be happy to receive suggestions which may make the meeting more engaging.

Thank you for the reports received. The meeting closed at 7.32pm.

These minutes are signed as a true and accurate record of events.

Signed: (Chairman) Dated:.....