

Burwell Parish Council Newsletter

# August 2014

## DIARY DATES

Tues <b>12 Aug</b> 7.30pm	Full Parish Council Jubilee Reading Rooms
Tues <b>26 Aug</b>	Full Parish Council
7.30pm	Jubilee Reading Rooms

# CONTACTING THE COUNCIL

- The Parish Office is open every week day morning from 9.00am 1.00pm
- E-mail: burwellpc@btconnect.com
- Telephone: 01638 743142
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  www.burwellparishcouncil.gov.uk/
- Contact details for all Councillors are published on the notice board at the Jubilee Reading Rooms and on the website.

### BURWELL PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

Helping to keep residents up-to-date with Parish Council issues and activities. This newsletter is available on noticeboards located at the Jubilee Reading Rooms and on the websites: <u>www.burwellparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> and www.burwell.co.uk

#### **BURWELL DAY CENTRE UPDATE**

Despite having additional work carried out the Environment Agency are still not satisfied that the noise and odour have been reduced to the level they require. Further work has now been proposed by the Contractors but unfortunately it will require Planning Permission and so an application has been forwarded to East Cambs. The permission is unlikely to be granted for several weeks creating further delays to being able to fully utilise the new facilities.

#### SUPPORT FOR SPORTS CENTRE

The Parish Council has voted to support the Sports Centre's application for funding of £4,000 towards a total cost of £14,000 for new lighting facilities at the Centre. The upgrade would facilitate the use of Centre by more sports groups, due to better quality lighting, be more efficient and less expensive to maintain.

#### MULTISPORTS FACILITY

The Parish Council is developing a plan for a multisports area and fitness equipment at the Rec to complement the existing facilities there. The Parish Council is keen to hear how you would use any sports or fitness facilities on the recreation ground. If you would like to play basket ball, netball, hockey or any other team sport which could be marked out on a multi games pitch - or if you would like to see any particular fitness equipment installed please get in touch with the Parish Council Clerk by email, telephone or call into the office.

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There are a number of significant planning applications that the Parish council have recently review or have been updated on by Planning Officers at East Cambridge Distract Council (ECDC).

**DS Smith site:** Planning Officers at East Cambs District Council have told the Parish Council that they intend to recommend granting planning permission for an application for 70 homes and an employment area on the David S Smith site on Reach Road despite Parish Council objections to the scheme. They base their decision on an independent study which, they say, shows that the total site is not feasible for business use alone. Their recommendation will go to East Cambs planning committee in the next few weeks. The Parish Council have expressed their disappointment that the Masterplan is not being adhered to and have requested that a joint consultation by ECDC and the applicant with residents occurs as the plan progresses.

**David Wilson Homes (Toyse Lane/Ness Road):** A planning applicaton by David Wilson Homes to build 125 Dwellings and a public open space on a green field side north of Toyse Lane and off Ness Road is to go to East Cambs Planning Committee this month. Parish Council has objected to the proposals on a number of planning grounds and as the development is outside the area allocated for development agreed in the Masterplan.

Land at and rear of 19 Toyse Lane: Planning Officers have informed the Parish Council that despite rejections raised by residents and the Parish Council, and due to recent policy changes, they have recommended the planning application for five houses at the site. The Parish Council expressed their dissatisfaction with the decision and urged consideration of the effect of the development on the street scene and access. The matter will go to East Cambridgeshire Planning Committee this month.

**Solar farm at Goose Hill:** The Developers have informed Parish Council that they have organised a public meeting to be held in the Gardiner Memorial Hall on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> of August from 5.30 to 8pm. All local residents are invited to attend.

#### JUBILEE GREEN

The goal posts located on Jubilee Green will be removed in September and the area re-seeded. The posts will be re-installed when the grass has established itself, likely April 2015.



DIAL-A-RIDE CHANGES

The Dial-a-ride service is set to change. From September through to March the service will operate once monthly, on the first Thursday. The service is open to anyone in the village - there are no age or mobility restraints and costs just £5 return (£2.50 with bus pass).

The Parish Council has been funding the service however has not been used enough to cover costs of the minibus meaning extra costs have had to be paid out from Parish Council funds. Unfortunately the council is unable to continue to fund the service to this extent on a regular basis and so the service is in danger of being stopped unless more people use it.

If you, or someone you know, would like to use the service please get in touch with the Parish Council office or call Ely Soham Diala-Ride on 01353 661161.