Burton Community Association General Committee Meeting on the 14th Sept 2026 (7.30pm) at The Old House at Home

Present

1. Paul Hawkes (Chair)(PH), Pete Coyle (PeC), Paula Coyle (PaC), Lydia Thornton (LT), Cynthia Walsh (CW) & Chris Bennett (Secretary)(CB)

2. Apologies for absence: Trystan Hitchens (TH), James Pearse (Treasurer)(JP) & George Hockin (GH),

3. Notes of previous meeting on 13th July 2026 – Proposed by (PH) and seconded by (CW) - Notes approved

4. **Actions**

Action			
13/07/26/1	CB	Circulate date for tidy up to residents, seeking volunteers.	**Completed**
13/07/26/2	JP	Arrange a meeting with Amanda and discuss options to modifications to BCA website	**On-going**

Updates

Action 13/07/26/1 – (CB) reported a tidy up day took place in August, and we had about x12 volunteers who completed a number of tasks, as follows:

- Removal of overgrown ivy from the wall adjacent to the brook opposite The Old Plume
- Clearance of footpath & road debris on the main road between Marsh Lane and Brookside Cottage
- Removal of weeds and pruning of plants on the verge between Old Plume and Beech View bungalow.

A good turnout and lots achieved

Action 13/07/26/2 – (CB) reported in the absence of (JP), a meeting was yet to be arranged with Amanda Read to discuss modifications to the village website.
Action remains on-going.

AGM Actions

(CB) also asked the trustees to bear in mind the Actions which came about from the AGM (as listed below)

Action			
09/07/23/2	PC	Consider exploring additional ways to reduce speed within the village, to include chicanes, humps in the road and rumble strips. Resident Al Caie asked if any of the BCA Committee to take this project forward. Agreed to be discussed at next BCA meeting	**On-going**
17/05/26/2	CB	Communicate with CSW team and obtain views on data retrieval from SID's	**On-going**
17/05/26/3	CB	Obtain details of any available insurance for SID equipment	**On-going**

Comments on the above Actions.

Action 09/07/23/2 – (CB) asked for these to be discussed under agenda item 7 below and once the SID's had been installed we could then show this Action as completed.

Action 17/05/26/2 – (CB) reported no change - we await the installation of equipment and learn how the data is retrieved and then consult with CSW team

Action 17/05/26/3 – (CB) reported he had obtained a quote from our existing insurance provider, although it didn't cover a malicious damage clause. Details were sent via email to members and agreed to wait until current insurance policy ends and seek alternative quotations to cover this, if available.

5. **Treasurer's report** – (CB) reported on behalf of (JP), this financial report covers the period up to end of August 2026 is as follows:

   Restricted fund = £582.78p
   Unrestricted fund = £8,986.02p

   Overall total = £9,568.80p

6. **Health & Safety** – No issues reported

7. Group updates:

- **Events** –
  - Plans for Christmas Parties, dates, etc. – (CB) asked members for their views on plans to hold the parties, venue, entertainment and food, etc. Following a brief discussion with members present, it was agreed to provisionally ask the OHH pub for availability on Friday 11th

December. (PH) agreed to speak with OHH management and discuss options for food and possibly live music entertainment.
Action 14/09/26/1 – (PH) to liaise with OHH pub

(CB) also mentioned the children's Christmas party and he was seeking a BCA member to organise this and coordinate with parent helpers. In the absence of some members, it was agreed to seek their views and support before reaching out to residents.

- **Community Safety & Crime Prevention (CSCP) + CSW**

  - Update on Speed Indication Device Project – (CB) he had received an update from Wilts Council to say the contractors were scheduled to erect the poles w/c 24th August, however this work has yet to be done. Following a brief discussion, it was proposed we communicate with Cllr. Jon Atkey and ask him to progress this on our behalf.
    Action 14/09/26/2 – (CB) to email Jon Atkey

- **Village Appearance Group** –

  - Village Planters – (CB) reported that although the plants/flowers had been watered, the latest heatwaves had killed them. Also, the x2 planters on the eastern side of village had rotted beyond repair. Those plants and planters have now been removed. Plans with (PH) are in place to replace them.

8. **Report on other activities:** -

   - Recent damage to play area fencing (5th/6th Sept 2026) – (CB) reported he had been dealing with some damage to the play area fencing. The sections of fencing were adjacent to a bench and the small picnic table. Suspect children are climbing onto these benches and jumping over the fence causing the upright fence rails to break off. (CB) & (PH) have repaired x7 uprights and an email has been sent to residents voicing our concerns.

9. **Any other business** – (CW) produced a Police notice regarding road safety and aa appeal for members of the public to submit 'dash-cam' footage of potential driving offences, etc. Members agreed this could be passed to the Bugle newsletter editorial team requesting publication in the next edition.
   Action 14/09/26/3 – (CB) to arrange publication of this notice.

Meeting closed 8.15pm
Next meeting – 9th November 2026