

BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Clerk:
Bruce Poole
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Prior to the commencement of the meeting Mrs Cheryl Kavanagh representing North Somerset Community Meals Service gave a short presentation to the Council. At the conclusion of the presentation a number of questions were asked and then she retired from the meeting.

Minutes of a meeting of **Bleadon Parish Council** that was held in the **Coronation Hall Coronation Road Bleadon** on **Monday 12th March 2007** that commenced at **7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

PRESENT Mrs P J Skelley (Chairman) together with Mesdames P Robinson and M E Sheppard Messrs J Harvey-Bennett R Hicks R House C Morris M Perry K Pyke together with the clerk Mr B Poole.

In addition there was one members of the public present together with District Councillor Ian Peddlesden.

The Chairman then read the following statement:-

“Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race gender age sexual orientation marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder Health & Safety and Human Rights”

192.1 To receive any apologies for non attendance

None

192.2 To receive any declarations of interest

Ref	Councillor	Type	Relationship
192.8.1	C Morris	Personal	Council Representative Coronation Hall
192.8.2	K Pyke	Personal	Council Representative Coronation Hall

192.3 Minutes

Resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12th February 2007 that had been duly circulated be taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman

192.4 Matters Arising

For the purpose of report only

(1) Matters raised by members of the public at the previous council meeting

None

- (2) Bus Terminus BP
Nothing to report
- (3) Dog Bins BP
See 192.10.2
- (4) 24 Coronation Road – 2nd Access BP
The clerk gave a report as to the progress to date by the Council's solicitors
- (5) Grit Bins JHB
(6) Hole – Churchyard approach BP
(7) Bollards – The Veale BP
The clerk reported on the current situation in respect to these matters
- (8) Use of Car Park – May Day Fayre – Harvest Home – Party BP
(9) Grant Funding Letters BP
(10) Mrs Val Smart
- It was confirmed that the appropriate letters had been dispatched.
- (11) Galvanised Shed – Pot Holes – Caravan
The clerk gave an update on these matters

192.5 To approve the following items of expenditure for the month of October

(130) PC World	Acer Projector & Mounting	843.95	147.70
	3 Year Protection	169.36	29.64
(131) NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Annual Subscription	90.00	15.75
(132) LGiU	Town Planning Seminar	100.00	17.50
(133) Staff	Salaries & Expenses - February 2007	1182.05	
(134) Lampiers	Home Insurance	56.32	
(135) Bruce Poole & Co	Postage – February	9.61	
(136) Mr J Hurcombe	Expenses	30.06	
(137) Cluttons	Allotment Rent	72.50	
(138) Mrs Skelley	Stationery	4.26	.74
	Gift	6.99	
(139) Mrs Robinson	Travel – February	49.50	

Resolved that the accounts as presented be paid

192.6 Planning Committee

(1) To receive an update on the following considered applications

06/1971 – 27/09/06

Re-building and Re-roofing of building and use thereof as a single dwelling
Conker Cottage Purn Farm Bridgwater Road Bleadon

06/1972 – 27/09/06

Use of site for the stationing of residential caravan
Caravan adjacent to Conker Cottage Purn Farm Bridgwater Road Bleadon

06/2821 – 15/01/2007

Construction of a level riding arena (42 x 22m)
Grattons Farm 15 Canada Coombe Bleadon

06/3020 – **Approved 07/02/07**

Ridge View Roman Road Bleadon
Erection of a single storey side extension

07/0040 – Approved 07/02/07

Erection of a single storey side extension following demolition of existing conservatory (retrospective application)

South Hill House Shiplate Road Bleadon

07/0052 – Approved 23/02/07

Replacement of window on front elevation with bay window

18 Coronation Road Bleadon

07/0198 – 21/02/07

Outline planning application for the erection of a bungalow with associated garage and 3 No parking spaces

Land off Bridgwater Road Bleadon

07/0228 – 23/03/07

Erection of a single storey rear extension

Purn House Farm Purn Way Bleadon

(2) To consider and respond to the following planning applications

07/0329 – 04/04/07

Erection of a two storey dwelling with detached single storey live and work B1 Office Unit and modification of vehicular access.

24 Coronation Road Bleadon

The Council objected to this application on the following grounds :-

Excessive impact on adjoining properties - Over development of the site - access to the site is of insufficient size - extra vehicular movement to and from the site - future parking problems at the Village Cross Area

07/0568 – 26/04/07

Erection of a single storey rear extension and retention of patio

Purn House Farm Purn Way Bleadon

It was noted that a site meeting would take place.

192.7

Open Spaces Committee

To receive reports from the brief holders

- (1) Allotments
- (2) Churchyard

Nothing to report

- (3) Footpaths & Bridleways

Councillor Rob House informed the Council of the wishes of some local residents to lay a quantity of scalplings that had been offered by Marshalls on the footpath going from the Church to South Hill.

Resolved that permission be granted so long as it did not alter the status of the footpath.

Councillor House to consult with Mr Adrian Leonard

- (4) Roads & Transport

The Council expressed dismay at the reply given by North Somerset.

Resolved that the clerk again express concern to the highways department with copies of the request being sent to Councillor Crockford Hawley and Mr D Turner

Councillor Pyke expressed concern as to the proposals set out by North Somerset with regards to Bus Service No 83

Resolved that the Council write in the strongest terms as to the proposed downgrading of Bus service No 83

(5) Children's Playground

It was noted that Village Ranger John Hurcombe would be commencing the repainting of the slide in the oncoming days.

(6) Newsletter

Councillor Mrs Penny Robinson advised the meeting that the impending issue would be circulated on the 21st March.

Discussion ensued as to what the advertising charges should be for 2007/08. It was agreed that the following should be put forward at a subsequent meeting for confirmation. Meanwhile the clerk was asked to advise all of the current advertisers of the changes with a request that they confirm their wish to continue before the copy date for the June/July Magazine

Full Page £120H/100A – Half Page £80H/60A – Third Page £60H/50A

192.8

To receive the following representative reports

(1) Coronation Hall

Councillor Morris advised the meeting that a new fire door had been fitted between the two halls and that the new fire alarm system was due to be fitted in the incoming week.

(2) Youth Club

Councillor Pyke advised the meeting that wall insulation had been completed by a contractor and that the youth club team would be attempting to undertake the loft insulation themselves. The loft had recently been cleared out and that the club were anxiously seeking a treasurer.

(3) ALCA

Councillor Hicks informed the Council on the opportunities for councillor training after the May elections. The Chairman confirmed that it was her intention to see that this took place when the new council had been elected and in post.

(4) District Councillors

Councillor Ian Peddlesden expressed his thanks to the Parish Council for once again providing a platform for the schools admissions policy to be aired. He also thanked the Council for having the opportunity of working with them in such a happy and understanding way during the term of this Council

(5) Parish Councillors

(6) Village Beat Officer

Nothing to report

(7) Village Plan

The clerk reported that the Parish Council had been successful in securing £1500 of funding towards the Village Plan project.

(8) Parish Clerk

The clerk tabled a copy of the proposed agenda and format for the Annual Parish Meeting scheduled for the 2nd April. Councillor Rob House agreed to organise the provision of refreshments on a sale and return basis i.e. wine tea/coffee and biscuits with the chairman agreeing to enrol some volunteers to dispense the victuals. It was also noted that the Annual Reports would need to be handed in on that occasion with the chairman embracing a two liner from each one in her own report to the meeting.

Resolved that the planned agenda and format be approved

(9) Sparkplug

Councillor Pyke advised the meeting on why the fencing had been re-sited. He also sought help from anyone willing to volunteer to provide advice suggestions physical help in how the land in that area should be dealt with.

192.9

To receive and consider the following correspondence

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| (1) | Mendip Hills AONB | Review of the Management Plan 2004-09 | C |
| | | The Chairman and Councillor Penny Robinson confirmed their intention to attend the forthcoming meeting to be held at the Coronation Hall. | |
| (2) | Mr I Findlay | Schools Admissions Code of Practice | BP |
| | | See 192.10.3 | |
| (3) | Play & Activity Today | Magazine – February 2007 | C |
| (4) | North Somerset Council | Implementing decriminalised parking enforcement (dpe) | C |
| (5) | Wicksteed Leisure | “Mystical World” | C |
| (6) | Inland Revenue | Certificate of Age Exemption | BP |
| (7) | North Somerset | School Travel Action News – Jan 2007 | C |
| (8) | HMR&C | Employer Pack 2007 | BP |
| (9) | Audit Commission | Appointment of External Auditor | BP |
| (10) | SLCC – Somerset | Branch Meeting 30/03/07 | BP |
| (11) | NALC | DISExtra – Issue 651 – 26 February 2007 | C |
| (12) | North Somerset | Streetscene Information Sheet – February 2007 | C |
| (13) | Age Concern | Letter of Thanks | BP |
| (14) | Weston-super-Mare TC | Mayor’s visit to the Parish | BP |
| (15) | Coronation Hall | Management Committee’s response | BP |

The Council noted the response to the effect that following the Charity Commission’s reply the Management Committee would not be willing to change their booking form to embrace the Parish Council’s original suggestions in respect to emergency meetings.

The clerk was asked to now write to the booking officer setting out the Parish Council’s meeting dates for the next twelve months. Also in accordance with the Council’s Grant Funding Policy it was agreed that the question should also be asked as to what rate the Parish Council would be charged for those meetings.

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| (16) | North Somerset | E-Mail Highways | JHB |
| (17) | North Somerset | Partnership Bulletin Jan/Mar 07 | C |
| (18) | Local Councils | Update – March 2007 Issue 89 | C |
| (19) | P Hamilton Ltd | Graffiti Removal Company | BP |
| (20) | The Army | Presentation Team – 25/04/07 | PS |
| | | The Chairman confirmed her intention to attend this presentation. | |
| (21) | ALCA | Newsletter – Volume 5 Issue 3 – March 2007 | C |
| | | Training Diary | C |
| | | Annual Subscription Papers 01/04/07 | BP |
| | | These costs would be billed after the 1 st April | |
| | | Clerk & Council of the Year | PS |
| | | It was noted that the Chairman would be meeting with the clerk in order to plan the appropriate submissions for these competitions. | |
| (22) | CPRE | Countryside Voice – Spring 2007 | C |
| (23) | North Somerset | North Somerset Replacement Local Plan | C |
| (24) | Plantscape | Product Catalogue 2007 | C |

Additional items for information received .after the circulation of the Agenda

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| (25) | Clerks & Councils | Direct Issue 50 – March 2007 | C |
| (26) | North Somerset | Annual review of Bus Services in North Somerset | BP |
| | | See 192.7.4 | |
| (27) | North Somerset | Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel – 07/03/07 | C |
| (28) | SLCC | The Clerk – Vol 37 No 2 – March 2007 | C |
| (29) | North Somerset | Local Development Framework – Core Strategy | C |
- Due to a number of items contained within the circulation pack very often require a response it was re-emphasised that it was essential that the circulation pack went around all the Councillors between one meeting and another.
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| (30) | Mrs P D Townsend | Copy Correspondence – North Somerset | BP |
| | | Noted | |
| (31) | Quartet | Notification of Village Plan Grant - £1500.00 | BP |
| | | See 192.8.7 | |
| (32) | NALC | DISExtra Issue 652 – 12/03/07 | C |
| (33) | Community Action | Seminar Notes – 9 th March 2007 | C |
| (34) | CPRE | “Fieldwork” – March 2007 | C |
| (35) | North Somerset | “life” Magazine Issue 29 March 2007 | C |
| (36) | North Somerset | Payment of Parish Precepts for 2007/08 | BP |
| (37) | North Somerset | District & Parish Council Elections – 3 rd May 2007 – Forms | C |

The Councillors confirmed that they were in receipt of the nomination form tabled that evening and that it would be their intention to seek re-election.

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| (38) | Coronation Hall | Management Committee Response | BP |
| | | See 192.9.15 | |

192.10

Other business referred to the Clerk

- (1) To consider the following request from Mr Rob House
To grant Mr Rob House sole use of the Car Park on the 24th February 2007
Resolved that the requested retrospective permission be granted
- (2) To agree on the collection frequency of the four newly installed Dog Bins
Resolved that subject to any future review the frequency should be every two weeks.
- (3) To note Mr Findlay’s request that the Parish Council seek assurances from North Somerset District Council and Somerset County Council LEAs that they will adopt the protocol under heading 4.4 of the Schools Admission Code of Practice that states:

"Important considerations in determining relevant area are the pattern of parents' preferences and children's travel-to-school patterns, so that the admission authorities between whose schools choices are made consult each other. Sometimes established schooling patterns may point towards combining part of one LEA's area with parts of the area of one or more neighbouring authorities. There is no bar to determining overlapping areas, which may be necessary to reflect schooling patterns and parents' diverse preferences."

The Council noted the response that was given to Councillor Elfan Ap Rees by Mrs Sally Varley.

Resolved that the Council would first seek a response from Councillor Elfan Ap Rees and then monitor as and when thereafter.

192.11 **Date of next Meeting - Monday 2nd April 2007 - Annual Parish Meeting - 7.30 pm.**