

# BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL

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Prior to the meeting commencing the clerk Mr Poole presented a power point presentation entitled "Service Delivery with Limited Resources" to the meeting a presentation he had been asked to give at the recently held Practitioners Conference in Stoke-on-Trent.

Thereafter PC Church reported to the meeting that in the last month he had received 16 telephone calls and recorded 4 crimes (1 Non dwelling – 2 Assault {domestic} – 1 Criminal Damage) and had held 3 Surgeries. A number of questions were asked. He was thanked for attending and then departed from the meeting.

The Chairman Mrs Penny Skelley then opened the meeting.

**Minutes of a Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council held in the Coronation Hall Bleadon on Monday 11th February 2008 that commenced at 7.30 pm when the following business was transacted.**

**PRESENT** Mrs P Skelley (Chairman) together with Mesdames P Robinson M E Sheppard Messrs B Gamble R House C Morris M Perry K Pyke and the clerk Mr B Poole

In addition there were four members of the public present together with PC Steven Church and Mr Justin Burns a reporter from the Weston Mercury.

**"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"**

**202.1 To receive any apologies for non attendance**

District Councillor Ian Peddlesden

**202.2 To receive any declarations of interest**

Ref	Councillor	Type	Relationship
202.8.1	C Morris	Personal	Council Representative/Treasurer Coronation Hall
202.8.1	K Pyke	Personal	Council Representative Coronation Hall
202.8.2	K Pyke	Personal	Council Representative Youth Club

202.10.4	K Pyke	Personal	Council Representative Youth Club
202.6.4 08/0040	R House	Personal	Known to the owner
202.6.4 08/0447	Mrs M Sheppard	Prejudicial	Relative of the applicant

**202.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2008.**

Resolved that the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2008 that had been duly circulated be taken as read and approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman

**202.4 Matters Arising**

**For the purpose of report only**

- (1) Matters raised by members of the public at the previous council meeting
  - (1) Mr Winterson – Proposed Planning Application
- (2) Collapsed Drain – Churchyard approach BP  
Matter still progressing
- (3) Custodial Trusteeship BP  
Councillor Clive Morris reported that the Coronation Hall Management Committee following advice now recognised the relationship of their Committee and the Parish Council in as much that the Parish Council was the Custodial Trustee.
- (4) Projector/Lap Top BP
- (5) Bus Shelter & Memorial Plaque KP
- (6) Archiving of Records BP  
The Clerk reported on the latest position
- (8) Churchyard – Wrought Iron Fence PR  
It was reported that the painting was in hand and that Mr Peter Briffet had very kindly completed some welding at nil charge. The clerk was asked to write to thank him.
- (9) Avon & Somerset Police Authority BP  
(i) Visit to Headquarters SC  
See commencement of the meeting
- (10) Mr Evans – Stile BP  
The Clerk confirmed that he had responded to Mr Evans as agreed.

**202.5 To approve the following items of expenditure for the month of January**

(131) Coronation Hall	Hiring Charges	29.00
(132) CommuniCorp	Annual Subscription – Clerks & Councils Direct	9.50

(133)	Community Action	Annual Subscription 01/04/2008	20.00	
(134)	Staff	Salaries & Expenses – February 2008	1268.87	
(135)	ICO	Renewal (2008) Data Protection Act 1998	35.00	
(136)	B Poole	Postage – February 2008	4.56	
(137)	Sign & Print	“No Parking” Sign	133.00	23.28
(138)	Staples	Stationery	77.74	13.60
(139)	Connaught	Emptying of Dog Bins	12.00	2.10
(140)	DS Securities	Additional Camera	285.00	49.88
(141)	Cluttons	Allotment Rent	72.50	
(142)	Mr J Hurcombe	Expenses – February	24.68	4.31
(143)	Mrs P Robinson	Councillor Expenses	14.00	

**Resolved** that the accounts as presented be paid.

## 202.6

### 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

##### **07/3208 – Approved 12/02/2008**

Retrospective application for erection of stable block with walkway and store/generator room.  
Erection of Horse Walker. Store extension to existing stable block and change of roof pitch of existing block. Erection of a lunging pen. All for private use  
Wayacre Stables at land off Wayacre Drove Bleadon

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

##### **08/0305**

Erection of an attached garage and conversion of existing garage to living accommodation  
1 Church Meadows Old School Lane Bleadon

##### **08/0308**

Demolition of existing porch and erection of replacement front porch  
2 Amesbury Drive Bleadon

##### **08/0447**

Erection of 4 No Stables a store and a trailer bay  
Land opposite Homefield House Rectory Lane Bleadon

Noted that a site meeting would be held

##### **08/0473**

Proposed addition of a first floor extension to create a four bedroom two storey dwellinghouse

Noted that a site meeting would be held

#### (3) Appeals

#### (4) Enforcement

##### **04/0049E – 07/0625E**

Untidy land and unauthorised parking of caravans and equipment  
West Mendip Way

**08/0040**  
U/A subdivision of dwelling  
Purn House Farm Purn Way Bleadon

**08/0053/E**  
U/A Works/Change of use  
Mendip Model Motor Racing Club Accommodation Road

**08/0150/E**  
U/A Works/Change of Use  
Hill Cottage Celtic Way Bleadon

## 202.7 Open Spaces Committee

### To receive reports from the brief holders

(1) Allotments

It was noted that Cluttons would no longer be acting as agents for the Church Commissioners as from the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008. Strutt & Parker will be acting in their stead.

(2) Churchyard

**Resolved** that the holly tree currently growing out of one of the gravestones would be removed if it was deemed to be self seeded

(3) Footpaths & Bridleways

Councillor Rob House agreed that he would investigate whether or not a Bristol Stile would be acceptable on a Bridleway that the adjoining land owner wished to be kept locked to prevent cars gaining access.

(4) Roads & Transport

Councillor Brian Gamble indicated that the water was still collecting at Bridge Garage. He asked what exactly constituted a "Pot Hole" and at what stage did it need to reach before it was deemed necessary to be repaired. He also advised that rubbish appeared to have been dumped behind the Catering Van on The Cutting.

(5) Children's Playground

Councillor Keith Pyke informed the meeting that he was in possession of a quotation from Monster Inc in respect to a replacement slide.

**Resolved** that further quotes be sought.

(6) Newsletter

To note receipt of a sponsorship cheque of £250.00 from Marshalls

## 202.8 To receive the following representative reports

(1) Coronation Hall

CM

It was reported that both Halls continued to be well used and that the monthly village markets were continuing to be very successful.

(2) Youth Club

KP

No meeting

- (3) ALCA
- (4) District Councillors

No reports

- (5) Parish Councillors

- (i) Councillor Penny Skelley

Reported on the suggestion by Mendip Ranger Andy Eddy that the Legend Board at Roman Road on the plinth faces outwards and is to be moved by AONB to the other side of the of the plinth facing "George Wall's seat". Agreed

- (ii) Councillor Rob House

Reported on the overhang of trees at Wonderstone that needed in his opinion urgent remedial attention. Agreed

- (6) Village Beat Officer SC

See commencement of the meeting

- (7) Village Plan BP

It was noted that Councillor Pyke and the Clerk had recently met to finalise the preparation of the first draft that was planned to be presented to the Steering Committee. Once that had taken place it was noted that the main headline points would form part of presentation to be given at the Annual Parish Meeting.

- (8) Training Day

The Clerk set out the proposed programme for this event to be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2008. The Chairman stressed the hope that Bleadon Parish Councillors would achieve 100% attendance.

## 202.9

### To receive and consider the following correspondence

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| (1) | Monster Inc       | Slide Quotation   | KP |
| (2) | North Somerset    | SAC 13/02/08 Minutes & Agenda                                 | MS |
| (3) | John Shirley & Co | Proposed Easement   | BP |
| (4) | Weston & NS       | Disability Information and Advice Line – Grant Funding Letter | BP |
| (5) | NALC              | DISExtra – Issue 676 – 18/02/08                               | C  |
| (6) | HMR&C             | PAYE Coding Notice  | BP |
| (7) | Enjoy England     | Magazine – 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2008                        | C  |
| (8) | HMR&C             | Employer Pack 2008  | BP |
| (9) | North Somerset    | Borough Status  | BP |

**Resolved** not to support the aspirations of North Somerset to acquire Borough status on the basis that it was of no benefit to the Parish Council and that the Parish Council was of the belief that the projected cost of £1500 bore no reflection as to the potential costs in achieving this aim.

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| (10) | John Shirley & Co | Proposed Deed of Easement | BP |
| (11) | Community Action  | Invitation – 28/03/08     | C  |

The Chairman advised the meeting that she had completed the consultation on behalf of the Parish Council.

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| (12) | North Somerset | Casual Vacancy – No poll required | BP |
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Noted

- (13) North Somerset Crime and Drug Reduction Partnership – Consultation PS

It was noted that the Chairman had completed this consultation document.

- (14) North Somerset Streetscene Information Sheet – February 2008 C  
 (15) NALC DISExtra Issue 677 03/03/08 C  
 (16) SLCC Practitioners' Conference Documentation C

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

- (17) SLCC The Clerk March 2008 – Volume 40 No 2 C  
 (18) ALCA Newsletter – Volume 6 Issue 3 March 2008 C  
 (19) Local Councils Update – Issue 101 March 2008 C  
 (20) Sage Payroll Year End Update Pack 2008 BP  
 (21) Mr G Rogers Dropped Pavements in Bleadon BP

The correspondence was noted and the clerk was asked to (a) write to the residents of The Old Post Office to ask that they try not to block the dropped pavement and (b) ask North Somerset to install an additional dropped pavement.

- (22) ERHA Affordable rural housing in the South West PS  
 (23) Clerks & Councils Issue 56 March 2008 C

**202.10**

**Other business referred to the Clerk**

- (1) To resolve to pay a gratuity on the retirement or death of the current parish council employees in accordance with the Local Government (Discretionary Payments) Regulations 1996

**Resolved**

- (2) To resolve to initially ring fence the sum of £5,000 in a separate investment account to underwrite any future obligation in respect to these gratuities and to review this sum on an annual basis

**Resolved**

- (3) To note that in keeping with normal custom the parish Council will not meet in the month of August

Noted

- (4) To receive the Grant Funding recommendations (tabled) of the Finance Committee

**Resolved** to accept the following Grant Funding recommendations as tabled by the Finance Committee

Citizens Advice Bureau	£50.00
Help the Aged	£50.00
Weston DIAL	£50.00
Youth Club	£500.00

**202.11**

**Date of next Meeting – Annual Parish Meeting Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2008 commencing at 7.30 pm.**