# **BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL**

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### Mr R Coleman

Asked the meeting when he was going to receive a formal response to the objections that he had raised with the External Auditor. He also asked why it was being planned to increase the precept by 38%.

- 1. The Parish Council had until the 22<sup>nd</sup> January to provide a response.
- 2. No such formal proposals had as yet been agreed with respect to 2023-24 Budget.

# **District Councillor Mr Terry Porter**

He indicated that the District Councillor was currently concentrating on the 2023-24 Budget whereby the challenge was to make large savings. He answered a number of questions that stemmed mainly from the attending audience

# **MINUTES**

Minutes of a Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at The Coronation Hall Coronation Road Bleadon that commenced at 7.00 pm when the following business was transacted.

#### **PRESENT**

Chairman Kirsten Hemingway with Councillors Mrs I D Clarke Ann Davies Huw Boyce Sara Garrett Graham Getty Mary Sheppard Gill Williams and the Parish Clerk Bruce Poole

In addition, there were three members of the public present plus District Councillor Terry Porter.

**358.1** To receive Apologies for Absence and to approve the reasons given. (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

The Clerk was asked why he didn't record the reasons given within the minutes when a member sent apologies. Responding definitively as to the reason for unattendance could lead to security challenges and secondly if they are duly recorded then it was clear that the Meeting had accepted the reasons.

358.2 Declarations of Interests

None

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

Councillor Mrs ID Clarke objected to the proposed approval of the November Minutes as in her view there were too many omissions some of which she had pointed out in an e-mail to the Clerk. The Clerk explained that he did not agree to verbatim Minutes nor having his grammar corrected. Agreed to defer

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(1) A370 Improvements

347.7.3

(2) Pavement - Breaking Up

347.4.4

Despite reminding NS several occasions no action to date

(3)	Church Clock – Re-Gilding	356.4.3
	I have been advised that Certificate of Completion is on its way	
(4)	Road Calming – Bleadon Road	354.4.5
(6)	Village Gully Cleansing	354.4.6
	Despite reminding NS several occasions no action to date	
(7)	Research suitable audible equipment.	354.4.7
	Waiting for quotations	
(8)	Scalpings	357.4.8
	Finally agreed that 5 Dumpy Bags were required	
(10)	Review of Council Policies	353.13.3
(12)	Jubilee Garden	356.4.12
(13)	AGAR 2022	356.4.13
	Work in progress	
(14)	NS Improving Play Spaces Match Funding	356.7.4
	See 357.7.2	
(15)	Churchyard Wall	356.4.12
	Advice awaited from the Church Architect	
(16)	Neighbourhood Plan Group – Return of Grant?	355.9.k
	Working on an agreed sum to be returned	
(20)	Tree in Play Park	356.7.12. a
	Waiting upon quotations	
(21)	Toilet Refurbishment	356.7.12.b
	Specification already circulated – see 357.10,2	
(21)	Play Area Equipment Installer	356.7.5
	Cllr Sara Garrett will update the meeting – see 357.7.3	
(22)	Damaged Grit Bin	356.7.8
-	On order	
(23)	PROWS Questionnaire	356.7.9
	Yet to be completed	

## 357.5 Chairman's announcements

She elaborated on her recently circulated e-mail about Peace & Co-operation within the Parish Council and need for better communication within the wider community.

# 357.6 Planning

To note new Planning Applications and North Somerset decisions on past considered applications.

21/P/0352/AOC	Discharge of Condition No.8 (Arboriculture Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan) on application 12/P/1856/F – Land Off Bleadon Road Bleadon  The Council had no objections	
22/P/0157/FUL	Erection of an agricultural building – land at Wick Wharf Fakeham Lane Bleadon	
22/P/1923/AOC	Discharge of condition No.43 (programme of archaeological works) on application 19/P/0835/OUT – Bleadon Quarry Bridge Road Bleadon Somerset BS24 0AU . The Council agreed not to support	

22/P/208/NMA	Non material amendment to application 19/P/0835/OUT (outline application with details of access(matters of layout scale appearance and landscaping are reserved) for the demolition of all industrial buildings plant and machinery the erection of up to 42 dwellings and 500 sqm of flexible Use Class A2/B1/D1 floor apce open space landscaping new vehicle and pedestrian access and associated works} to allow the removal of condition 4 (plans) and the amendment to the wording of Condition19 (footpaths) — Bleadon Quarry Bridge Road Bleadon	12/10/22
22/P/1993/FUL	Retrospective application for change of use of building to 1 no dwelling – Woodlands Farm Mearcombe Lane Bleadon BS24 ONZ	16/11/22
22/P/2108/NMA	Non material amendment to application 19/P/0835/OUT (outline application with details of access (matters of layout scale appearance and landscaping are reserved) for the demolition of all industrial buildings plant and machinery the erection of 42 dwellings and 500 sqm of flexible Use Class A2/B1/D1 floor space open space landscaping new vehicle and pedestrian access and associated works) to allow the removal of Condition 4 (plans) and the amendment to the wording of Condition 19 9footpaths) – Bleadon Quarry Bridge Road Bleadon BS24 OAU	
22/P/2113/RMA	Reserved matters application for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 42no. dwellings and office building pursuant to outline permission 19/P/0835/OUT (outline application with details of access (matters of layout, scale, appearance and landscaping are reserved) for the demolition of all industrial buildings, plant and machinery, the erection up to 42 dwellings and 500 sqm of flexible Use Class A2/B1/D1 floor space, open space, landscaping, new vehicle and pedestrian access, and associated works) Bleadon Quarry Bridge Road Bleadon BS24 OAU	12/12/22
22/P2310/CQA	Prior approval for the change of use and conversion of an agricultural building to 1 no residential dwelling with operational development of new and replacement windows and doors = South Hill Farm Bridgwater Road Bleadon	

#### 357.7 Resolutions

1. To resolve to set a Budget for 2023-2024.

Debate ensued on this subject matter when one member suggested that the figures didn't add up. It was pointed out by the Clerk that the Budget should be agreed prior ro Precept being set.

Resolved to defer a decision until January.

2. To note a quotation received from GB Sports & Leisure relating to a Post Installation Inspection.

After hearing the views of the two leading Councillors and the Clerk it was

Resolved not to proceed on the basis that the installation of equipment had only just taken place to the required industrial standard and any subsequent equipment inspections would reflect any flaws.

- 3 To note the receipt of Bleadon Youth Club Treasurer's Annual Report 2021-22. Noted
- 4 To note the receipt of a quotation/specification relating to the proposed re-furbishment of the Public Toilets.

Noted and accepted that the content was only an indication of what might be required.

5. To note the receipt from North Somerset Council in regard to Match Funding Grant totalling £4,987.50

**Noted** 

#### 357.8 Financial

1. To note the payments for the months of July August & September 2022

(121) B Poole	Salary – Nov	2015.43	0.00
(122) Opus Energy	Lighting - Public Toilets	<u>12.19</u>	0.00
Authorised by Cllrs Mrs I D Clarke &		2027.62	0.00
(123) Miss E Young	Editor Fee – Issue 124	400.00	
(124) PATA	Payroll Services	15.00	

(125) Webglu	Website Hosting	81.95	16.39
(126) Mr M Howe	Grass Cutting 2022-23	4000.00	
(127) Mr M Howe	Elderberry Trees cutting	30.00	
(128) Mr M Howe	WI Bench Grass Cutting	85.00	
(129) Hockerell Engraving	Plaques x 2	768.50	153.70
(130) Taylor Thorne	Village News Printing – Issue 124	765.00	
(131) GB Sports & Leisure	Playground Inspection	25.00	5.00
(132) Homefront	2 <sup>nd</sup> Half Payment	4987.50	997.50
(133) Adrian Project Serv.	Village Ranger Salary - Nov	602.00*	
(134) Blue Spot	Public Toilet Cleaning – Nov	216.66*	
(135) Coronation Hall	Contribution to Electricity	150.00	

# 357.9 To receive reports from the following for information purposes only:

(a) Allotments and Churchyard

It was agreed that a contribution would not be made to the PCC for lighting. Cllr. Sheppard acknowledged that she had received a note of those allotments which had paid and those that were currently outstanding. Agreed to seek quotes to replace the allotment gate.

- (b) Public Rights of Way and Footpaths
  - Agreed that North Somerset should be advised of the un lit path through the churchyard.
- (c) Neighbourhood Watch and Community Safety
  Noted that the monthly report received from the Police were duly posted on the web site.
- (e) Roads and Transport
- (f) Play Area

See 357.7.2

(g) Bleadon Village News

Agreed to reduce the standard print run by 1q00 copies

(h) Youth Club

See 357.73

(i) Coronation Halls Management Committee.

Agreed that quotes would be sought for the re-lining of the Car Park

- (j) ALCA
- (k) Neighbourhood Plan Group
- (I) Bleadon in Bloom
- (m) Contactus
- (o) Councillors
- (p) Parish Clerk

The Clerk reported on the current situation relating to the Church Clock.

### 357.10 Correspondence

(1)	North Somerset Council	Election Costs	*
(2)	External Auditor	Complaint responses	BP
(3)	North Somerset Council	Match Funding Grant	*

# 334.11 Date and Time of next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023