

# BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL

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Prior to the formal meeting commencing District Councillor Terry Porter gave an update on the current planning applications that were waiting for a decision. He answered a number of questions then departed from the meeting.

The Chairman then invited the following people to speak:

Rev. S Hartree 275.5 – He expressed his sorrow that Mr B Poole had announced his resignation as the Parish Clerk after some 26 years in the post and he hoped that the reasons for resigning were not the result of the recent difficulties following the May election. He went on to say that whilst they had had in the past differences in view points on some subject matters he had always found Mr Poole extremely fair and very professional in his parish council duties. He wished well in his retirement.

He then asked had any donations been made in respect to the Defibrillator to which the answer given was no there had not been any received.

He then explained his views in relation to the Parish Council seeking a further election.

Mr Pat White asked was the re-vamped web-site now fully operational to which Mr Poole replied that he had no reason to think that it wasn't but he would make enquiries from the Web-Site Provider.

Mrs I D Clarke Expressed her concern relating to South Hill (which had been recently fenced off) that the two iron gates at either end of the footpath were not in situ and could the landowner Mr Warburton see that they were re-hung.

She then went on to say how successful the World War II Village Party had been that had raised some £600.00 and she wished to express her thanks to the two organisers Mesdames Sarah Osborne and Pat Williams.

Mr Brian Thorne Said that he wished to thank the Parish Council for the re-placement seat recently located at The Veale. He also asked if the trees abutting Shiplate Road could be cut back.

All were thanked by the chairman for their presentations comments and questions.

Discussion was briefly had on how the present Parish Council could thank the past councillors who had recently stood down at the election for their past services. The clerk was asked to write to each of them personally to thank them for the valuable service they had rendered over a number of years to both the parish council and the community at large. The chairman indicated that he would organise something tangible to thank the retiring chairman Mrs Penny Skelley.

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council that was held in the Coronation Hall Coronation Road Bleadon on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015 that commenced at 7.30 pm when the following business was transacted.**

**PRESENT** Mr I Gibson (Chairman) together with Councillors Mesdames I D Clarke C Findlay M Sheppard and the Parish Clerk Mr B Poole

In addition there were thirteen members of the public present together with District Councillor Mr Terry Porter.

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

None

**275.2 To receive any declarations of interest**

None

**275.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council that was held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015.**

Resolved to receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council held on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2015 that had recently been circulated agreed to be taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman

**275.4 Past Subject Matters - For the purpose of report only**

(1) Matters raised by Members of the Public 274

None

(2) Co-option and the request for an bye-election 274.4

Members have been kept advised as to the correspondence between the Parish Council and North Somerset

(3) Internal Auditor's Report 274.16a

The common practice is to defer this matter to the Finance Committee but as that committee is yet to be implemented it is clear that the Parish Council will have to deal with this report and its ramifications as soon as possible.

(4) Re-appointment of Internal Auditor 274.22

(5) Village 20 mph speed limit 274.27.1

(6) Church Clock 274.27.2

The requested action has been duly implemented

(7) Allotments – Plot 6 vacancy 274.30.1e

Councillor Mrs M Sheppard provided a verbal up-date

(8) Churchyard Wall – Crack 274.30.1b

The Parish Clerk indicated that had inspected the wall and could only identify a very small crack which to in his view was not serious. However he indicated that it was really up to the PCC to satisfy themselves that all was well with the boundary walls.

(9) Broken Hinge – Hellenge Hill 274.30.1c

A verbal update will be given at the meeting

(10) North Somerset Planning Seminar 274.31.8

Councillors Findlay and Gibson provided a verbal report to the meeting where they emphasised how informative and helpful the meeting had been.

**275.5 Resolutions**

**(1) To resolve to note the resignation of the Parish Clerk Mr B Poole with effect from the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and to agree to implement the Council's Exit Policy to source a successor**

Several members asked Mr Poole if he would be willing to re-consider his decision to which he responded by saying how much he appreciated the sentiments in the request but no he would not re-consider. He pointed that after some 26 years he felt it was time to step down.

Resolved to note the resignation of the Parish Clerk Mr Poole with effect from the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

Resolved to implement immediately the Council's Exit Policy a draft of which had been sent to all members prior to the meeting

## 275.6 Finance & Personnel Committee Report

### (1) To approve the following items of expenditure for the month

(36)	InTouch CRM	Monthly Licence – June	29.99	6.00
(37)	Staples	Stationery	47.16	9.43
(38)	SSE	Street Lighting Maintenance – 1 <sup>st</sup> Qtr 2015-2016	15.65	3.13
(39)	Bristol Water	Water Supply – Public Toilets	249.93	
(40)	CPRE	Renewal of Annual Subscription	36.00	
(41)	EDF Energy	Street Lighting	97.02	4.85
(42)	SSE Electricity	Public Toilets	9.30	.46
(43)	Playsafety Ltd	Annual RoSPA Inspection	68.00	13.60
(44)	bin-it	Empty disinfect and reline 4 dog waste bins	68.98	13.79
(45)	Staples	Stationery	102.42	20.48
(46)	MicroshadeVSM	Monthly Hosting Fee	43.00	8.60
(47)	BT	Village Broadband	39.53	7.90
(48)	Mr K Pyke	Expenses – Mileage	7.20	
		Annual Parish Meeting	39.50	
(49)	Staff	Salaries & Expenses – June 2015	1570.58	
(50)	Mr I Findlay	Materials	28.30	5.66
(51)	Came & Company	Annual Insurance Premium		

Resolved to note the invoices as presented

Resolved to note the tabled accounts for the financial period 01/04/15 to 30/06/15 and in particular the Budget versus Spend

## 275.7 Planning Committee Report

### (a) To consider the following planning application

<b>15/1108/F T French</b>	Removal of condition No 7 planning permission 14/P/0253/F (Erection of a detached dwelling to replace mobile home) compliance with code no 3 no longer required  New Dwelling at Conker Cottage Purn Farm Bridgwater Road	<b>Resolved that this application should be called in</b>
<b>15/1529/F</b>	Change of Use from mixed use of residential (C3) and retail (A1) to 1 no residential dwelling (C3)  Bleadon Hill Golf Club Haywood Park Roman Road Bleadon	<b>The Parish Council expressed its disappointment how this development over a period of years has crept from a Club House to a residential dwelling – something it has always been convinced this was the end-game by the applicant</b>
<b>15/1571/ PDA J Wadebridge</b>	Prior notification for erection of agricultural building for the storage of fodder machinery and agricultural equipment  Blackstones (Barn North-West of Coombe Farm) Fakeham Road off Bridgwater Road Bleadon	<b>Noted</b>

**(b) To receive an update on the following outstanding applications**

<b>15/0822/F</b>	Retrospective application for the erection of a replacement detached garage  Sunny Cove Bridgwater Road Bleadon BS24 0BA	<b>Approved</b> <b>27/05/15</b>
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**275.8**

**Open Spaces Committee Report**

**(1) To receive reports from the following brief holders**

(a) Allotments

Noted that a plot was still available

(b) Churchyard

Agreed strimming had now been completed

(c) Footpaths & Bridleways

(d) Roads & Transport

It was noted that there was an overgrown Elder Tree on the A370

(e) Children's Playground

Noted that an abutting tree required the top pruning

(f) Newsletter

It was noted with pleasure that Mr Keith Pyke was still willing to contribute but not run in its entirety the production of the village newsletter.

**Resolved** that the following should comprise an Editorial Committee – Mrs P Robinson and Messrs L Masters K Pyke and P Williams

(g) Website

As reported elsewhere it was agreed that clerk would investigate as to what was the latest position with the launch of the re-vamped web site.

(h) Neighbourhood Watch & Community Safety

**Resolved** that Councillor Mrs C Findlay would speak to PC Dave Eastham on this subject matter

**275.9**

**Reports**

(1) Coronation Hall

Noted that the quotations received for the improvements had been formally accepted.

(2) Youth Club

No meeting

(3) ALCA

(4) District Councillors

(5) Village Beat Officer

(6) Review of Policing Priorities

(7) Chairman

(8) The Clerk

Nothing tangible reported

**275.10****Correspondence**

(1)	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Statements April/May & June	BP
(2)	North Somerset	Register of Interest – NS & Website	BP
(3)	HMR&C	BACS Remittance £1886.44	BP
(4)	Avon	& Somerset Police June 2015 Newsletter	C
(5)	North Somerset	Remittance Advice – Council Tax Grant £1,585.64	BP
(6)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 861 – 12/06/15	BP
(7)	Clerks	& Councils Direct July 2015 Issue 100	C
(8)	North Somerset	Assessing the sustainability of settlements	C
(9)	Unity Trust Bank	Advice regarding the Parish Precept	BP
(10)	Mendip Hills AONB	Post Card – Annual Review 2014-2015	C
(11)	Post Office	Changes to Bleadon Post Office	C
(12)	CPRE	Annual Review	C
(13)	North Somerset	Planning Enforcement Report	C

**Additional items received after circulation of the agenda for information purposes**

(14)	SDC	Planning Application 24/15/00016 – Erection of one wind turbine	C
(15)	NS	Register of Electors – Amendments May 2015	C
(16)	Smiths of Derby	Acknowledgement of Order	BP
(17)	RoSPA	Play Area Safety Inspection Report 2015	E
(18)	North Somerset	Digest – June 2015 Issue 14	C
(19)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 862 – 26/06/15	C
(20)	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Statement – June 2015	BP
(21)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 863 – 10/07/15	C

**275.11****Other Business referred to the Clerk**

None

**275.12****Date of next Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015**