

# BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting of Bleadon Parish Council held in the Coronation Hall, Bleadon, which commenced at 7.30pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017 when the following business was transacted.

Present: Councillors Steve Hartree (Chairman), Mary Sheppard (Vice Chairman), David Chinn, Richard Dobson and Kathy Strong.

Clerk: Maria Bird and Anthony Jay

District Cllr Terry Porter.

Police Officer Dave Eastham

296.1 **To receive any apologies for non-attendance**

There were no apologies for non-attendance. The Chairman extended a very warm welcome to the new Parish Clerk.

296.2 **To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda**

Cllr Sheppard declared an interest in agenda item 296.8. Planning application 17/P/1178/F.

296.3 **To approve the minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017.**

**It was unanimously resolved** to approve the minutes with two minor amendments.

The minutes were signed by the Chairman as being a correct record of the meeting.

296.4 **To invite public participation** – Chairman reminded members of the Public and Parishioners that this is the only opportunity during the meeting to speak regarding items on the agenda.

i) Members of the public

Thanks given for arranging the quick clearance of the footpath on Purn Hill.

The tree on Shiplate Road to the corner of The Queens Arms is over grown. The Clerk will look into this.

The Clerk had confirmed that she had received a number of letters and emails regarding planning reference 17/P/1178/F, which she summarised when the application was discussed.

ii) District Councillor

Cllr Porter gave an update regarding the local bus service.

Cllr Porter confirmed that the installation of double yellow lines on Bridge Road has been submitted to NSC and a decision will be forthcoming.

iii) The Police

Police Officer Dave Eastham presented the Police report from 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 to 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017. He stated that 16 calls had been received from the parish and 2 minor incidences at one of the Holiday Camps. There had been no other reported crime.

He highlighted there have been reports in other villages (not Bleadon) of tools and electrical goods being sold from vans and predominantly speaking to elderly members of the community. He encouraged people not to buy from them and report them to the Police. Chairman requested that the Police write a short article for next issue of the Bleadon Village News to bring this to the attention of Bleadon residents. Police Officer, Dave Eastham will speak to PCSO Aisha Mitchell to arrange.

Police Officer, Dave Eastham highlighted on 20<sup>th</sup> June PCC Sue Mountstevens and Chief Constable, Andy Marsh is holding a public forum, where anyone can attend at the Healthy Living Centre, Lonsdale Ave, W-S-M from 19:00-21:00.

No anti-social behaviour reported.

Cllr Chinn highlighted how helpful PSCO Alisha Mitchell had been in regards to enquiring about speeding in the village. He last heard 6 weeks ago that the speeding reduction team had to undertake a survey at certain places in the village and a map was provided by Cllr Chinn. Cllr Chinn requested an update. The Police Officer will speak to PSCO Alisha Mitchell and ask to update the Council. The Police Officer highlighted that they will be undertaking speeding ventures of their own and more people in their team have been trained to use the speeding detection equipment.

Cllr Sheppard expressed that there were issues with motorbikes on a

Thursday night. The Police Officer highlighted this was a wider issue and the traffic department have spoken to the organisers. The Police Officer will feed this back to the Traffic Department.

District Cllr Porter and the Police Officer left the meeting.

296.5 **To receive the Clerk's report.**

The letter of appreciation from the PCC in relation to the work undertaken on the Church Walls in the Churchyard was read. The Cllrs noted their appreciation for the letter.

An update was provided regarding the Marshalls meeting held on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Marshalls repositioned the angle of the LED lights and changed timings. They have implemented a one way system to allow them to hold more lorries onsite. The Clerk highlighted that it had previously been agreed that the Parish Clerk would not attend these meetings which will be managed by Marshalls. This was agreed by the Parish Councillors.

We are currently waiting for delivery of the new Defibrillator cover. The Village Ranger will then fit the new cover.

A £600.00 remittance advice has been received from NSC in compensation for the grass cutting of the Churchyard.

Clerk training courses have been reviewed and will be arranged. Website training will be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

Office equipment has been purchased to support the Clerk in her role.

296.6 **Exchange of information between Councillors.**

Chairman extended his thanks to two parishioners for cleaning and removing the rubbish in the Rhyne.

Cllr Chinn referenced last month's minutes for the request for volunteers for the speed detection scheme. Only 1 volunteer has come forward from Bleadon WI. He highlighted that training is not currently available from the Police.

Annual Village Scheme Collection and Village Plant-Up. North Somerset Council has informed the Parish Council twice of plant collection cancellation due to supplier problems. A further update is awaited.

296.7 **To consider the recommendations of the Vexatious Correspondence and Complaints policy sub-committee.**

**It was unanimously resolved** to approve the Vexatious Correspondence and Complaints Policy with minor amendments.

296.8 **To consider the following planning application**

17/P/1091/F. Land adjacent to Mulberry House Roman Road Bleadon BS24 0AB. Construction of a pond (retrospective).

**It was unanimously resolved** not to object to the planning application, but to request that North Somerset Council ensure the engineering of the pond does not present any problems to hill side.

17/P/1162/F. 22 Coronation Road, Bleadon Weston-super-Mare, BS24 0PG. Proposed two storey rear extension and side conservatory.

**It was unanimously resolved** not to object to the planning application.

17/P/1175/LDE. Fern Court, Bleadon Hill, Weston Super Mare, BS24 9JX. Lawful development for the existing use of agricultural land as garden land ancillary to the enjoyment of the dwelling house.

**It was unanimously resolved** not to object to the planning application.

17/P/1177/F. Unit T, Purn House Farm, Bleadon, BS24 0QE. Change of use from B1 (Business) to D1(non-residential institution) for veterinary practice.

**It was unanimously resolved** not to object to the planning application.

Cllr Sheppard left the meeting. Cllr Dobson declared interest at this point and left the meeting.

17/P/1178/F. Land opposite junction of Chestnut Lane and, Bleadon Road, Bleadon. Demolition of 2 no. existing agricultural barns and erection of 1no. new agricultural barn.

Clerk summarised written letters and emails of objections received from members of the public.

**It was resolved** not to object to the planning application, but to request that North Somerset Council consider the visual impact and the aspect of potential drainage hazard in the Rhyne are closely looked at when considering the application. (2 in favour, 1 abstention)

Cllr Chinn highlighted that objections and / or comments of support from previous applications are not carried forward. If residents would like their views to be considered they will need to be registered on the North Somerset Council website.

Cllr Sheppard and Cllr Dobson returned to the meeting.

17/P/1208/O. Magnolia House, Bridgwater Road, Bleadon, BS24 0AG. Outline planning permission for the erection of 1no. dwelling with all matters reserved for subsequent approval

**It was unanimously resolved** not to object to the planning application.

Cllr Dobson made an observation that using a projector to display the planning applications to Councillors and Parishioners at the meeting would be beneficial. The Clerk to look into using the projector at future meetings.

Cllr Sheppard brought to the attention of the parish council that a steel structure has been erected on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017 down by the railway line on

Bridgwater Road (BS24 0AG) opposite Magnolia House. The Clerk to speak to North Somerset Council.

It was also highlighted that a mobile home (caravan) at Purn House Farm has been replaced by a Log Cabin that is larger in structure. The Clerk to speak to North Somerset Council and submit a submission to the North Somerset Council Enforcement team, if required.

296.9 **To note the following planning decision**

17/P/0195/F. Purn Farm, Bridgwater Road, Bleadon, BS24 0AN. Change of use of 3no. bed and breakfast. bedrooms, communal kitchenette and WC facilities (Class C1) on first floor level to use as 1no. two bedroom self-contained flat (C3 use). **GRANTED.**

The decision was noted.

296.10 **To consider the proposed Health and Safety policy for St Peter and St Paul closed churchyard.**

**It was unanimously resolved** for the Chairman and Cllr Dobson to meet with representatives of the PCC. The Clerk was asked to write to PCC to request a meeting.

296.11 **To consider whether the Parish Council amends the signatories on its Nationwide Building Society or whether the account should be closed.**

**It was unanimously resolved** to close the Nationwide Building Society Account and transfer funds to the current account. Savings accounts will then be investigated by the Clerk. This will be an agenda item in the future.

296.12 **To consider the purchase of a new litter bin for the children's play area.**

**It was resolved** to purchase the Bear Novelty Litter bin and all necessary fixing. (3 in favour, 2 abstentions).

The Clerk will enquire about obtaining quotes for placing a concrete base in the playground for the bin to sit on.

296.13 **To consider whether the Parish Council wish to renew its membership of CPRE (in 2016/17 the membership donation was £36).**

**It was unanimously resolved** to renew the annual membership for £36.00.

296.14 **To consider whether the Parish Council wish to establish a management working group.**

**It was unanimously resolved** for Cllr Dobson to set up the management working group.

Cllr Dobson will keep the Parish Council informed of progress.

296.15 To nominate Councillors to monitor:

i) The footpaths in the Parish

**It was unanimously resolved** to appoint Cllr Chinn and Cllr Dobson to monitor footpaths in the Parish.

Cllr Chinn will set up a meeting with District Council Footpaths Officer. The Clerk to provide the Footpaths File to Cllr Dobson.

ii) The closed churchyard

**It was unanimously resolved** to appoint Cllr Dobson to monitor the closed Churchyard.

296.16

## Finance

To approve items of expenditure

Chq	Payee	Details	Net	VAT
300498	Defibshop	Defibrillator cover	£100.00	£20.00
300499	Faye Thomas	Public toilet cleaning	£225.00	
300500	Came and Co.	Insurance	£2300.05	
300651	GB Sports	Playground inspection	£15.00	£3.00
300652	Alistair Gill	Village Ranger salary	£160.00	
300653	Anthony Jay	Clerk salary	£697.58	
300654	HMRC	PAYE and NI	£280.02	
300655	Anthony Jay	Clerks expenses: Home working allowance £17.33; Mobile phone £1.67; Print cartridges and paper £26.00; Postage £7.25 and £3.60; Tools purchased for Village Ranger £314.35; Letter box £39.97; Mileage £16.20.	£375.40	£50.97
300656	Bin It	Dog bin emptying	£70.54	£14.11
300657	Maria Bird	Clerk expenses: Mileage £15.30; Digital voice recorder £23.99	£35.29	£4.00
300658	Alistair Gill	Village Ranger expenses: Mileage £20.07; Petrol for strimmer £14.41	£34.48	
300659	NALC	Book purchases	£37.48	
300660	Webglu	Website hosting July - Sept	£70.00	£14.00
DD	SSE	Public toilet electricity	£47.94	£2.39
DD	Water 2 Business	Water for public toilets	£193.90	

**It was unanimously resolved** to approve the payments.

296.17

**To receive the following Open Spaces Committee reports:**

(a) Allotments

All have been allocated.

(b) Churchyard

No update.

(c) Footpaths & Bridleways

Cllr Sheppard highlighted the following:-

Hill Side road going up to hill with telephone mast is over grown and the turnstile needs replacing at the old wall.

Footpath down by the river on the A370 recommends to be closed. The river has been penned and the footpath is seen to be dangerous, as the grass has got so wet there is nothing stable to walk on. The Clerk to inform North Somerset Council that the state of the footpath is dangerous.

The road surface on the A370 by the Caravan Park needs repair. Cllr Sheppard has previously reported it to North Somerset Council. The Clerk will report this to North Somerset Council again.

(c) Roads & Transport

Cllr Chinn informed about a complaint received regarding the foliage just down from the The Queens Arms Pub is blocking visibility of the Give Way Sign.

(d) Children's Playground

Cllr Chinn offered to create a laminated sign to place on the bin in the playground to highlight that no household domestic waste to be placed in the bin.

(e) Newsletter

Next edition is due out mid to end of July. The Clerk to provide an editorial piece introducing herself. Cllr Dobson will write a summary of the recent Marshalls meeting.

(f) Website

The Clerk is undertaking training for updating the website on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June and will be looking in detail and making suggestions on the best way to update the website.

(g) Neighbourhood Watch & Community Safety

No updates.

(1) Coronation Hall

No meeting of the Coronation Hall Management Committee since the last council meeting. Meeting scheduled for Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June. The relocation of the Bleadon Parish Council Storage Container at the hall is on their agenda.

(2) Youth Club

Cllr Chinn informed us that meetings are held bi-monthly and he will be informed of when the next meeting will be held.

(3) ALCA

Tony Jay confirmed ALCA had been informed of the changes to the Clerk.

(4) Chairman

Meeting with Marshalls on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June there was a request for Bleadon Parish Council to contact North Somerset Council to request signage stating 'No left turn for HGV' to be placed facing South on the main road from W-S-M. Clerk to write to NSC to request the signage.

Chairman extended his thanks to Tony Jay for his service as Clerk to the Bleadon Parish Council and for his instructive handover to the new Clerk.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm