# **BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Parish Clerk: Bruce Poole MCMI



A **Meeting** of **Bleadon Parish Council** was held in the Coronation Hall Coronation Road Coronation Road Bleadon on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2006** commencing at **7.30 pm** when the following business was transacted.

#### **PRESENT**

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

There was one member of the public present also Mrs Clare Isaac Messrs John Carson and Ian Price of North Somerset District Council together with a reporter Mr Rory Harrington 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 sexual orientation marital status and any disability) Crime & Disorder Health & Safety and Human Rights"

#### **Declaration of Interests**

180.7.1/180.9.2Councillor C MorrisTreasurer Coronation Hall180.7.1/180.9.2Councillor K PykeVice Chairman Coronation Hall<br/>Council Representative180.9.2Councillor P RobinsonEditor – Village Newsletter

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the chairman invited Messrs Carson & Price to address the meeting. They advised the meeting on what changes had recently been affected within their Directorate and introduced the first edition of the Streets and Open Spaces Group Public Service Standards to the Parish Council. They answered a number of questions from Councillors and then retired from the meeting.

#### 180.1 Apologies

PC Adrian Woolacott

#### 180.2 Minutes

The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2005 and the Finance Committee of the same date were taken as read approved as being correct records and signed as such by the chairman

#### 180.3 Matters Arising

- (1) Matters raised by the Public
  - (a) Dropped Pavements

It was noted that the work had not been started as yet.

- (2) Tarmacadam Quotations
- (3) Churchyard Path
- (4) Arboreal Remedial Work Heathgate
- (5) North Somerset
  - (a) 30 mph sign
  - (b) No through road

No further progress to report.

#### (6) Kissing Gate - Cluttons - South Hill

It was agreed that this item should now be removed from the agenda.

## (7) Willow Trees - Bridge Road

Great discussion took place on this subject and the clerk reported on the situation to date. The Council noted what North Somerset District Council was prepared to do to assist solving the problem. It was agreed however that the Parish Clerk should continue to establish the legal owner of the verge.

#### (8) Village Ranger

See 180.9.1

#### (9) Land in front of The Public Toilets

It was noted that a positive response was still waited from North Somerset Council.

#### (10) Bleadon Youth Club Grant

The clerk confirmed that a very appreciative letter had been received thanking the Parish Council for their assistance.

#### (11) Council Computer

The Clerk gave a further resume as to the problems being experienced in getting the computer back in use.

#### (12) Village Notice Boards

Delivery awaited in the next couple of weeks.

#### (13) Planning Department Meeting - The Golf Course

The Clerk explained to the Parish Council what the difficulties were and what arrangements had been made with North Somerset and the two District Councillors to achieve a satisfactory outcome.

# (14) The Veale

Councillor Mrs Penny Robinson confirmed on the prompt action of the District Council in respect to blocked gullies. It was agreed that the question of spoiled and eroded grass verges should be continued.

#### (15) Mrs V Harris

The clerk informed the council of the letter of concern received from Mrs Harris in regards to a broken drain and what action had been taken

# 180.4 Finance

(84)	ICSA Publishing	Knowles on Local Authority Meetings	79.00	
(85)	SEC	Lighting Services 01/10/05-31/12/05	15.65	2.74
(86)	Bruce Poole & Company	Postage – December 2005	14.10	
(87)	Mr B Poole	Clerk's Salary & Expenses	709.95	
(88)	SWEB	Electricity - 01/10/05-31/12/05	21.06	1.05
(89)	Village Orderly	2005-06	144.50	
(90)	Broadband	Broadband 01/01/06-31/03/06	3.87	
(91)	Vision ICT Ltd	Village Plan Data	3100.00	542.50
(92)	Staples	Stationery	239.42	41.90

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

#### 180.5 Planning Committee Report

## (1) Outstanding Applications

#### 05/2279

The Existing kiosk will be moved approximately 17m to make way for a new sludge tank Wessex Water Services Ltd Weston-super-Mare STW Accommodation Road

Agreed that a site meeting would take place.

#### 05/2450 - Refused 07/12/05

Erection of Dwelling Garage and entrance drive Land off Purn Way Bleadon

#### (2) New Applications

# (3) Other

- (a) Longwood House
- (b) Well Cottage

The clerk advised the meeting that as yet he had not received definitive replies.

Councillor Mrs Mary Sheppard raised questions on the following matters:-

- (c) Fly posting in the vicinity of "The Anchor"
- (d) Fencing around stables Celtic Way (96/1849)
- (e) Southerlea Conservatory
- (f) Polytunnel at Manor Farm

# 180.6 Open Spaces Committee Report

# (1) Allotments

(a) Mr A J Ballard – Vacating Plot 8 Lower

It was noted that Mr Ballard was no longer requiring the allotment in view of the fact that he had moved his home to Burnham-on-Sea.

#### (2) Churchyard

The clerk was asked to write to the PCC confirming that the action they had taken in clearing part of the churchyard was now complete.

(3) Footpaths & Bridleways

Concern was expressed at the overhanging trees in Shiplate Road.

- (4) Roads & Transport
- (5) Children's Playground
- (6) Newsletter

Councillor Mrs Penny Robinson was congratulated on another splendid Magazine

# 180.7 Reports

(1) Coronation Hall

It was reported that new cleaning arrangements had recently been put into place.

(2) Youth Club

Membership numbers were still holding up.

- (3) ALCA
- (4) District Councillor
- (5) Village Beat Officer

Nothing to report

(6) Village Plan

It was noted that the computer analysis would be available for discussion in the next two weeks.

#### (7) Parish Clerk

It was noted that an appraisal meeting for the clerk had been held prior to the council meeting which was attended also by the Chairman and Councillor Keith Pyke. The clerk advised the Council that he would be absent from the February Council Meeting due to holiday. Councillor Clive Morris agreed to keep the minutes.

#### 180.8 Correspondence

(1)	Local Council	Update – December 2005 Issue 74	С
(2)	North Somerset	Streets & Open Spaces – Gullies	JHB
(3)		Signage – Purn Way	JHB
(4)	ERHA	"The Bulletin" Winter 2005/06	С
(5)	North Somerset	Christmas Refuse & Recycling Schedule	NB
(6)	BT Community	Repayment of Internet connection	BP
(7)	Mendip Society	Newsletter – No 115 December 2005	С
(8)	Mr J Hurcombe	Bleadon Ranger	BP
(9)	NS	"A taste of North Somerset"	С
(10)		"Health Overview and Scrutiny Panel" – 05/01/06	С
(11)	NHS	"Building better health services" leaflet	С
(12)	NS	"life" Issue 15 December 2005	С
(13)	Mr P Coleman	Copy Correspondence to the chairman – golf course	PS
(14)	NS	Register of interests and Gifts/Hospitality	С
(15)	Bleadon Youth Club	Rent & Letter of thanks	BP
(16)	NS	Destination Management Newsletter 1 December 05	С
(17)	Community Safety	Drug Action Team – Conference Details	PS

#### Additional items received after circulation of the agenda for information only

(18)	North Somerset	Health Overview & Scrutiny Panel 05/01/06	С
(19)		Update – North Somerset Councillors	С
(20)	ODPM	Standards of Conduct – Local Government – The Future	С
(21)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 622 – 09/01/06	С
(22)	Clerks & Councils	Direct – Issue 43 – January 2006	С
(23)	Community Action	Issue 25 Spring 2006	С
	-	One-Day Conference – 27/06/06	С
(24)	ALCA	Newsletter – Volume 4 Issue 1 – January 2006	С
		Revised Salary Scales 01/04/06	С
		North Somerset Group Agenda – 15/02/06	С
		Basic Charity Law – Local Councils and Trustees	С
		Table of Parochial Fees	С

#### 180.9 Other Business referred to the Clerk

(1) To agree an interview panel – Village Ranger

The Meeting agreed that the interview panel should include Councillors Keith Pyke and Rob House together with the clerk. This panel would be chaired by the Chairman.

(2) To agree a Precept for 2006/07

The Council agreed that the Precept for 2006/07 should be £33720 reflecting an increase (at the current inflation rate) of 2.9% increase. It was recognised that the Council would be undertaking net budget spend of £34064. Agreed 6 votes to 3.

# 180.10 Date of next Meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2006 commencing at 7.30 pm.