

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NOTES

09 Dec 19 (Min 329.10.vii) "It was note that the resignation of Kirsten Hemmingway the **editorship of The Bleadon News was now vacant.**"

13 Jan 20 (Min 330.5) "It was agreed to that the post holder need not necessarily be a parish councillor" 10 Feb 20 (Min 331.5) "Editorship Vacancy – Resolved that the Locum Parish Clerk draw up a suitable worded notice advertising the vacancy adding that if required the job would be supported by an honorarium."

09 Mar 20 (Min 332.4) "It was noted that some new leads were being followed."

08 Jun 20 (Min 333.4.ix) "It was confirmed that a volunteer was still being sought to be the Editor." Also, (Min 333.9.f) "It was agreed that the advert regarding the **current vacancy should be given greater emphasis by being placed on as many village platforms as possible.**" [No information was posted on any known village platforms or social media sites, nor sent to BOB as was proposed and agreed by councillors in the meeting?](#)

20 July 20 (Min 334.4.vi) "An update on the current position was provided to members whereby it was indicated that a Miss **Ellie** Young had **agreed to take up the challenge.** Her charge for **the first publication hopefully due in September 2020 would be £350.00.**"

14 Sep 20 (Min 335.4) "The first issue by the newly appointed Village New Editor's had been published"

(Min 335.7.5) "To regularise the appointment of Miss Ellie Young as the Editor of the Bleadon Village News. Discussion was had as to how the Miss Young was introduced to the Parish Council as a potential candidate for the post of the Bleadon Village News Editor. A full time line explanation was given. A question was also asked regarding the "apparent non advertising of the post of Editor" as requested whereby the Clerk pointed out that such an advert had appeared on the Village [BPC?] Website which in the final outcome did not produce any results. Resolved that the Chairman of the Personnel Committee Councillor Andy Scarisbrick together with Councillors Ann Davies and Rob Tyson **would form a working party in order to generate "Heads of Agreement"** for recommendation to the Parish Council at the October Parish Council Meeting." [Where are the Working Party minute/notes? Where are the 'Heads of Agreement' published on the BPC website?](#)

12 Oct 20 (Min 336.5.ix) "It was noted that a report from the Working Group had been circulated just a couple of days before the meeting. It was agreed that the said report would be placed on the November Agenda for acceptance of the recommendations set out in the report" Report unpublished? Also, (Min 336.9.f) "Clerk's report refers to the actions taken."

16 Nov 20 (Min 337.7.2) "To receive a report from the Working Party in respect to the Editorship of Bleadon Village Newsletter and to resolve to accept the recommendations contained therein. Resolved that the **circulated Report and the Terms of Reference be accepted in its entirety.**" [Newsletter Editorship TOR unpublished? Signed contract unpublished?](#)

14 Dec 20 (Min 338.8.113) "Miss E Young **December Edition – Newsletter 400.00**". [When was the salary increase agreed by full council and minuted?](#)

08 Feb 21 (Min 340.9.g) "Bleadon Village News The Editor Miss Ellie Young who was on the Zoom Meeting was invited again to speak when she advised the meeting that she couldn't guarantee what advertising would be secured due to the existing Covid Lockdown" How much advertising should be secured as stated in the unpublished TOR or unsigned contract? "Advertising: Contractor to sell advertising space with maximum discretion when negotiating "packages". Advertising prices to be reviewed by the parish council annually. Invoice circulation and payments together with paying the printer rests with the parish clerk." [When were the current and previous advertising prices last reviewed, agreed, minuted and published by councillors?](#) "Printing Cost: Contractor to seek printing

quotes annually prior to the March issue being published." [When were the printing costs last reviewed, agreed, minuted and published by the Editor/BPC?](#)

Clerk email (23 July 21), "The printing budget was increased to (a) cover the printing of four editions per annum and (b) the Editor's agreed per issue payment. **The agreement is that she should secure in revenue not less each issue that her issue payment.**" [sic] [Where is the Full Council minuted reference to the Editor's agreed 'issue payment', or this agreement?](#)

13 Dec 21 (Min 347.9.f) "Bleadon Village News Agreed that an early meeting be set up to carry out a **review** of the present arrangements as originally agreed 12 months ago." [Where is this review and any outcomes recorded in full council minutes and published? Doesn't the Personnel Committee review contracts \(see Personnel TOR\)?](#)

14 Feb 22 (Min 350.9.f) "The Chairman suspended Standing Orders in order to allow Ellie Young Editor of Bleadon Village News to participate in the following discussions ... Bleadon Village News Cllrs. S Garrett and R Tyson gave a verbal update following their meeting with Ellie. Following a negotiated deduction in printing costs [[what are the current and previous minuted costs per edition/bulk?](#)] it was noted that a single magazine came out at .62 pence. Agreed for the **next two issues (Platinum Jubilee) an additional 400 copies would be produced** and delivered as far as possible on Bleadon Hill." [Bleadon Hill is outside the parish, is BPC precept permitted to be used in this way?](#)

14 Mar 22 (Min 351.5) "...From here the Chairman then announced the number of extra copies she had ordered for the next two editions of the Bleadon Village Nesws." [sic]

14 Mar 22 (Min 351.9.f) "Noted that **1200 copies had been ordered just for the next two issues** – the extras were planned to be delivered to homes on Bleadon Hill" [There are approx. 550 dwellings in Bleadon.](#)