

# BLEADON PARISH COUNCIL

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At the commencement of the public session Chairman Councillor Ian Gibson welcomed Mrs Penny Skelley to the meeting. The purpose of the invitation was to formally and publicly thank her for her past service as a Parish Councillor (13 years) and more so for her stewardship as the Council's Chairman (11 years). He then proceeded to present her with a Darting Glass Vase. In response Mrs Skelley said she had enjoyed her time on the Parish Council immensely and was very proud of her past teams of Councillors who had accomplished so much on behalf of the resident of Bleadon. She was warmly applauded. She then retired from the meeting

Prior to the formal meeting commencing District Councillor Terry Porter explained what the current position was with the District Council's proposed Core Strategy. In essence North Somerset had suggested 17,000 houses whereas central government were seeking 21,000. He then departed from the meeting

Two PCSO also were present at the meeting who explained what the current policing arrangements were respect to Bleadon.

The Chairman then invited the Rev Steve Hartree Mrs Clair Gutsell and Mr John Fowler to address the meeting as to why they wished to be considered to fill the current 5 vacancies on the council. Each in their turn gave their own personal reasons why they wish to be considered. A number of questions were asked of Mr Fowler one of which was "do you have sufficient time as a busy person to give to the Parish Council to which the answer was an emphatic yes.

All were thanked by the chairman for their presentations.

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council that was held in the Coronation Hall Coronation Road Bleadon on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 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 twelve members of the public present together with District Councillor Mr Terry Porter.

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

None

**276.2 To receive any declarations of interest**

None

**276.3 To receive and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council that was held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015**

**276.4 Resolved that Minutes of the Meeting of Bleadon Parish Council that was held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015 as previously circulated be taken as read approved as being a correct record and signed as such by the chairman**

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

None

- (1) **To propose to send a letter of thanks and appreciation to Mr Andy Eddy for his past voluntary work within the village of Bleadon**

Resolved that the proposed action be taken.

The clerk confirmed that he had already taken the said action

- (2) **To consider a request from the Air Ambulance Charity to place a clothes bank in the Car Park**

Resolved not to grant permission for such a clothes bank

- (3) **To resolve to consider the following persons to fill the current vacancies (five) on the Parish Council**

- (i) **Natalie Wright** – not present at the meeting  
 (ii) **John Fowler**  
 (iii) **Claire Gutsell**  
 (iv) **Steve Hartree**

The three candidates present were asked to withdraw from the meeting for a short while.

There then followed a vote for each of the following candidates the outcome of which was as follows:

Mr John Fowler	1 for and 3 against
Mrs Claire Gutsell	4 for and none against
Rev Steve Hartree	4 for and none against

Resolved that Mrs Claire Gutsell the Rev Steve Hartree be so elected to serve as parish councillors

The three candidates were asked to return and the outcome of the election was announced. Thereafter Mrs Clair Gutsell and the Rev Steve Hartree undertook verbally and signed the Declaration of Office

- (4) **To receive the Church Architect's Churchyard Wall Report and as a consequence undertake the recommended works**

Resolved to receive the Church Architect's Churchyard Wall Report and agreed that he should be asked to prepare a specification for such recommended repairs and also advise on suitable contractors

- (5) **To resolve to note and consider the Council's Internal Auditor's Report for the year-end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 and to take action on the recommendations contained therein**

Resolved to note the Council's Internal Auditor's Report for the year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 and agreed to refer it for more detailed discussion to the Council's Finance & Personnel Committee when re-constituted

- (6) **To resolve to note and consider the Council's External Auditor's Report in respect to the Annual Return for the year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

Resolved to note the Council's External Auditor's Report for the year end 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 and agreed to refer it for more detailed discussion to the Council's Finance & Personnel Committee when re-constituted

#### Finance & Personnel Committee Report

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

(51)*	Came & Company	Annual Insurance Premium	2786.26	
(52)*	SSE Electricity	Electricity – Public Toilets	9.30	.46
(53)*	SLCC	Job Finder Advert	265.00	53.00
(54)*	Staff	Salaries & Expenses – July	1589.07	
(55)*	Bin-It	Dog Bin Emptying – Jly/Aug	68.98	13.79
(56)*	Materials	Car Park	28.13	5.63
(57)*	SSE Southern Electricity	Electricity – Public Toilets	9.72	.48

(58)*	MicroshadeVSM	Monthly Hosting Fee	43.00	8.60
(59)*	Mr I Findlay	Ranger Travel – Jne/Jly	32.45	7.15
(60)	Mr J Churchill	Wall Repairs – Car Park	2870.00	
(61)	Intouchcrm	E-Mail set up	210.00	42.00
(63)	Agilisys	Bleadon Village News	421.50	84.30
(64)	BT	Broadband Services	40.99	8.19
(65)	Staff	Salaries & Expenses – August	1595.88	
(66)	Grant Thornton	Annual Audit Fee – 2015	200.00	40.00
(67)	Bin-it	Dog Bin Emptying – Aug/Sep	68.98	13.79
(68)	Mr I Findlay	Materials	19.98	4.00
		Stationery	32.56	6.52
		Replacement Toilet Seats	8.12	1.62
(69)	Smith of Derby	Church Clock Repairs	596.00	119.20
(70)	Mr Brian Robinson	Church Clock – Honorarium	150.00	
(71)	ALCA	Training Fee – Effective Chairmanship	45.00	
(72)	Defibshop	Locking Pin	18.95	3.79

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

## 276.7 Planning Committee Report

**To receive the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2015 and to note the decisions thereto:-**

## 276.8 Open Spaces Committee Report

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

#### (a) Allotments

It was noted the House Bros had now had their water supply placed on a water meter which would result in the Allotment now being charged for the water used.

#### (b) Churchyard

See 276.5.4

#### (c) Footpaths & Bridleways

It was noted that that the overgrown area was to be removed on the path upto South Hill

#### (d) Roads & Transport

#### (e) Children's Playground

It was suggested that the sand area should be enhanced

#### (f) Newsletter

It was noted that there had been formed an editorial group comprising of Mrs C Findlay Mrs P Robinson and Mr K Pyke

#### (g) Website

The parish clerk indicated that the progress of this initiative was unfortunately taken an awful amount of time to conclude.

#### (h) Neighbourhood Watch & Community Safety

Discussion was had as to the current position with regard to the local Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

## 276.9 Reports

### (1) Coronation Hall

No meeting

- (2) Youth Club

Noted that one of the unused doors was to be bricked up

- (3) ALCA  
(4) District Councillors  
(5) Village Beat Officer  
(6) Review of Policing Priorities  
(7) Chairman  
(8) The Clerk

No tangible reports presented

## 276.10 Correspondence

(1)	NALCA	Documents from AGM – 25/06/15	C
(2)	Came & Company	Insurance Amendments	C
(3)	NALC	DIS <i>Extra</i> Issue 864 – 24/07/15	C
		Grants & Funding Special Bulletin	C
(4)	North Somerset	Assessing the sustainability of settlements	C
(5)	Grass Roots	Public Consultation – Oldmixon Weston-super-Mare	C
(6)	CPRE	North Somerset AGM – 25/08/15	C
(7)	Bristol Airport	“Your Airport” – Summer Edition	C
(8)	North Somerset	70 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary VJ Day	C
(9)	Village Ranger	Play Inspection Reports – 01/06/15 to 27/07/15	BP
(10)	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Statement – July 2015	BP
(11)	SCC/NHS	Somerset Choice – Leaflet & Poster	C
(12)	CPRE	Field Work – Summer 2015	C
		Countryside Voice – Summer 2015	C
(13)	Great Western	Air Ambulance Charity – Re-cycling Scheme	C
(14)	Mr A Eddy	Letter of Thanks	E
(15)	North Somerset	Review of missing Signage Posts	BP
(16)	Came & Company	Insurance Documents	BP
(17)	North Somerset	An Invitation – Parish Council Chairman	IG
(18)	North Somerset	Road Closure – Canada Coombe	C
(19)	North Somerset	Mobile Library Times	NB
(20)	North Somerset	Mobile Library Schedule of visits to Bleadon	NB
(21)	Grant Thornton	Completion of Annual Audit – year end 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2015	BP
(22)	North Somerset	Enforcement Cases	E
(23)	Unity Trust Bank	Bank Statement – August	BP
(24)	North Somerset	Remittance Advice – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Half Precept - £19,000	BP
(25)	ALCA	AGM Papers – 03/10/15	E
(26)	Clerks & Councils	Direct – September 2015 Issue 101	C

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

## 276.11 Other Business referred to the Clerk

- (1) To note the posting of the Conclusion of Audit Notice

Noted

## 276.12 Date of next Meeting – 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015