

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 16th AUGUST 2012 AT BLIDWORTH
COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

PRESENT

P Brooks - Chair
P Merry – Vice Chair
Mrs L Chadwick
Mrs C Dabbs
J Durkin
A Fell
M Gammon
Mrs S Harvey
G Merry
G Stocks (Clerk)

Also present were :- Mr D Harvey , G Blanc , W Richards , M Gelsthorpe , Mrs C Brown (St Andrews Healthcare) & J Allen (7.55pm) .

Chair welcomed everyone , & asked if all mobile phones / Tape Recorders could be switched off .

Chair reminded Members about Standards & Code of Conduct & to state if they have any conflicts of interest in any Council business on the Agenda .

**Late Items : 6.5 Planning Application – Sherwood Forest Comm. Church
8.15 Letter of Resignation – Cllr Mrs H Dennis**

Chair asked & it was Agreed that Items 8.7 & 8.11 immediately after Item 4.2

1 . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr B Evans .

2 . Declarations of Interest Re any Items on the Agenda – None .

3. MINUTES AND STATUTORY BUSINESS

3.1 To agree Minutes of Parish Meeting 19 July 2012 – Cllr P Merry Proposed & Cllr P Brooks Seconded & it was agreed that the Minutes be approved subject to the following amendments :-

Item 2 after may occur “ relating to his land “.

Item 3 P6 – after Cllr SH Re Item 8.16 s/b - Cllrs SH & LC are to arrange purchase of Domain Names

P3 Item 6.2 – numerous – insert : verbal : , & after schoolchildren insert : & the wall needs measuring .

P5 Item 8.7 – after NCC insert – Cllr Mrs LC thought Agreement was poorly written .

P5 Item 8.25 – after another company – insert – to investigate - then delete – to provide a further quote , which no-one else was aware of .

P6 Item 8.31 - after Noted - insert - Members were asked to complete & submit revised Reg. of Interest Forms & return to Clerk .

Chair stated that Clerk should register Library & School Field to NCC as Community Assets - Agreed .

3.3 Parish Clerk's Update on Actions Taken –

Firstly Clerk suggested that the scheduled date for the October Meeting of 18th Oct be amended to 25th Oct as he was on holiday from 29 Sept to 13 Oct Inc - **AGREED**

P3 Item 6.1 – wrote to Cllr GM as agreed

P3 Item 6.2 – wrote to NSDC re height of wall – received responses Re Planning Rules & Building Regs. Rules , to which we will respond .

P4 Item 8.3 – met Cllr Mrs SH re our Responses , made minor amendments , & delivered final document to NSDC by hand on Friday 27 July 2012 .

P4 Item 8.4 – wrote to Tesco Re litter .

P5 Item 8.17 – Clerk to arrange for Ben to stain the Decking & new planters after Clerk has spoken again with G Swain for “Men in Sheds “ to give us a quote for making same . Clerk is also to speak with NCC Re possibility of moving seats further away from area .

P5 Item 8.19 – Finance Training for Members – Clerk suggested there are 3 choices for this :-
A) with Clerk in house B) with NALC in Autumn C) with L Ogilvie in house

Cllr Mrs LC Proposed & Chair Seconded & all agreed- C) agenda & cost to be agreed .

A short discussion then took place on the remaining items on the list :- Qtly. Internal Audits , change of Audits every 3 years , cheques to be signed at Meetings , review staffing costs , budget headings , banking arrangements & signatories – **Cllr P Merry Proposed & Cllr J Durkin Seconded & it was Agreed by 5 votes for & 4 Abstentions , that all these proposals be scrapped & put to bed .**

4 . FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

4.1 The Schedule of Accounts Net Total £4,216.26 as per Cash Book for July 2012 - **was Unanimously Agreed – Proposed bt Cllr P Merry & Secondedby Cllr J Durkin ..**

4.2 Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31st July 2012- **Noted**

8.7 Christine Brown from St Andrews Healthcare – (see Planning Ref @ Mansfield DC- 2012/0386/ST.

Ms CB thanked BPC for allowing her to come & speak , & outlined the reason for attending which is to discuss with us the Planning Application they have submitted to Mansfield DC for new palisade type security fencing & landscaping for an area of waste land , currently not being used by inmates , but will be if approved . For recreational purposes it will then also allow inmates access to this area , (under supervision only) , to grow fruit & veg .

Police were concerned about the public getting into the building - NO .

Cllr G Merry asked that with this proposed high security fence , will this allow higher grade patients to come in - NO

Chair thanked Ms CB for attending & explaining the proposals .

8.11 Mr Blanc Re Grant Application – Sherwood Forest Comm . Church

Mr B explained that the person who completed this application was on holiday but he would answer whatever questions he could .

Chair then asked for a few details which Mr B was unsure about & suggested it would probably be better for the item to be deferred to next Meeting – **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD – Chair stated that due to large Agenda he would allow 5 minutes only .

W Richards asked Re a F.O.I. Request he recently sent – Clerk advised the response was posted earlier today .

He then again queried an item in the May 2012 Minutes regarding applying for Outline Planning Permission Re Dale lane Allots . He once again asked why this has not happened . Cllr G Merry explained to him once again the reasons .

6 PLANNING

**Agreed Planning Volunteers for next month – Cllrs Mrs L Chadwick & B Evans .
Cllr G Merry advised that he will take part in discussions but not vote on any of the following matters**

6.1 Planning Application : Application Number : 11/01030/FUL : Location : 9 Clare Hill :
Proposal : a side & rear 2 storey extension - **AGREED**.

6.2 . Planning Application : Application Number : 12/01083/OUT : Location : Ex Jolly Friar PH : Proposal : residential development – **AGREED (but only to support development on area of land on plan coloured purple .**

6.3 . Notice of Decision : Application Number : 12/00582/FUL : Location : 5 Forest View :
Proposal : Single storey extension : **NOTED**

6.4 Notification of Hearing Re Application Number : 11/01112/OUT , Jolly Friar Site –
demolition of PH & erection of up to 6 Dwellings - **NOTED**

6.5 Planning Application : Portal Ref : 04: 2309 : Location : Sherwood Forest Comm.
Church : Proposal : change of use from vehicle repair workshop to Storage of furniture etc :
AGREED

7 . County Councillor / District Councillors – Blidworth Parish Business

Cllr GM explained that he is very concerned about the amount of aggravation there is amongst some of our residents , 7 that people are not accepting the truth when they have been told it is the truth . He is still receiving letters saying the Dale Lane Allots. have been sold . We have a highly valued asset , with which we can control the building of approx 50 dwellings up to 2025 .

**Cllr J Durkin agreed that this small sample of our community are denigrating BPC –
Cllr Mrs LC agreed , & advised we should go the offensive , put a full report in the CHAD , explaining our thoughts & reasons . Cllr J Durkin Proposed same & Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Seconded & it was Agreed Unanimously .**

Cllr GM then went on to say he has just come from a Meeting @ Rainworth regarding a proposed new Swimming Pool & Skatepark .

8 GENERAL PARISH AFFAIRS

8.1 Neighbourhood Watch .

Noted

8.2 Highways / Footpaths – Chair went to recent SNG Meeting where Insp. Kahn advised that Police Specials are being trained on Speed Cameras .

Cllr J Durkin advised Members of a potential large development near Redgate Farm , where a large hole (approx 50m x 30m x 10ft deep) has been dug out . Cllr G Merry is aware of this & Planning Officers have visited same .

Cllr P Merry advised that a Mr Gregory of Forest Road , has gone ahead & cut the long grass in the middle of this small complex . Clerk advised that he had received a letter signed by the residents of this road , saying they would like the grassed area to be transferred into a proper surfaced Car Park . He passed this letter on to Newark & Sherwood Homes . **Agreed Cllr A Fell to follow this matter up .**

8.3 Update Re Blidworth in Bloom

Cllr Mrs C Dabbs advised Re letter from EMIB Re Presentation of Awards & Stamford on 12 Sept. 2012 . Chair , Clerk & Cllr Dabbs agreed our 3 representatives should be the ones who have done the majority of the work : Cllr Mrs CD , Cllr BE & M Atherton . Cllr A Fell was unhappy with this decision .

8.4 BPC Website – Cllr Mrs L Chadwick explained that the latest quote we recently received is very similar to some we already have & **Proposed that we go for another 2 quotes - Cllr M Gammon Seconded – All Agreed Ex Cllr A Fell .**

8.5 Update Re Best Kept Village – Clerk advised Results which have just been forwarded to go in Focus Mag . – BPC is one of the 10 largest populated group of villages (pop. Over 2000) – as reported last month we were in the last 4 .

Final Result was : 1st Radcliffe on Trent 2nd Southwell 3rd Blidworth 4th Collingham .

A copy of these results to go to Cllr Dabbs . .

8.6 Update Re NCC Lengthsman Scheme – Clerk advised we received confirmation earlier in week that this Scheme has been scrapped for now .

8.7 Mrs C Brown (St Andrews Healthcare) – SEE PAGE 1

8.8 Update Re Suggestion Scheme ; Agreed Cllrs Mrs S Harvey , L Chadwick & C Dabbs to sort this out .

8.9 Annual Playground Inspection Reports (3) – Clerk advised we now have this years reports for the 3 Sites . In total there were 119 faults , (all of which are categorised as :

Very Low : Low : Zero : Moderate : High : Very High .

Of our 119 Faults , 37 were Very Low & 82 Low – on his return our Parish Handyman will start to remedy these minor faults .

8.10 Copy of Code of Conduct for Members – as agreed last month – Agreed Optional Item 5 be taken out .

8.11 Sherwood Forest Community Church Grant Application – SEE PAGE 2 .

8.12 Recent vandalism Damage @ MUGA – Clerk advised of recent damage , where Police have been given an Estimate from original suppliers . The Police have several suspects they are dealing with . All Members Agreed there should be Zero Tolerance Re this damage & letter be sent to Mrs Lasseter Re this matter .

8.13 M Steel Royal Br. Legion Re Blidworth Cadets – Chair has been to see the Cadets & they have agreed to respond back to him .

8.14 Kay Morris Re Dale Lane Allots. – Noted

Late Item 8.15 Letter of Resignation – Cllr Mr H Dennis - Noted

9. CORRESPONDENCE - (Not individually copied but available for inspection , before , or on night of Meeting)

9.1 NSDC Review of Statement of Principles for Gambling Act 2005 - Noted

9.2 Helen Smith NCC – Fencing quotes Re School Field - Noted

9.3 Francis Townrow , Chair –Say YES to Newark Hospital Re Newark Healthcare Review – Judicial Review - Noted.

9.4 NSDC – Items to be considered @ Planning Committee 7 August 2012 - Noted.

9.5 NSDC Standards Training 20 Sept 2012, 10am Kelham Hall – Chair & Cllr A Fell

9.6 Christine Brown (Re Item 8.7) – anyone wishing to go please contact CLERK before 1pm Monday 13 August 2012 - Cllr A Fell.

9.7 K Tarburton RCAN - Noted

Emails These are for noting only & may be inspected @ Parish Office .

- 1. PDP Compliance News 17.07.12**
- 2. PDP Compliance News 24.07.12**
- 3. PDP Compliance News 31.07.12**
- 4. PDP Compliance News 07.08.12**
- 5. F.O.I News 17.07.12**
- 6. F.O.I News 31.07.12**
- 7. 11th Annual Data Protection Compliance Conference 18/19 Oct 2012 , London**
- 8. RCAN Newsletter**

9. PSMA Newsletter – Aug 2012
10. Cllr H Dennis Re Quality Standards for Funding .
11. Cllr H Dennis Re Old Methodist Chapel , Dale Lane
12. Invitation to “Not Just Swimming “ Public Meeting 16 Aug 7 – 8pm & Rainworth’s Got Talent 1st Sept 2012 @ Rainworth Miners Welfare
13. PDP Training

The Chair will then Propose & Members agree that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted -(Tenders) , it is in the public interest that the Press & Public be temporarily excluded & they are instructed to withdraw