

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2012 AT BLIDWORTH
COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

PRESENT

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

Also present were :- Mr W Richards , & J Allen (left @ 8.20pm) .

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 .

1 . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Mrs L Chadwick (Hospital for operation) .

2 . Declarations of Interest Re any Items on the Agenda – Cllr B Evans Re Land Allocation .

3. MINUTES AND STATUTORY BUSINESS

3.1 To agree Minutes of Parish Meeting 16 August 2012 – Cllr P Merry Proposed & Cllr J Durkin Seconded & All Agreed (Ex Cllr B Evans not present at Meeting) .

Cllr G Merry commented on Item 8.7 that 2 inmates recently escaped .

3.2 Parish Clerk’s Update on Actions Taken –

P2 Item 3.1 – Clerk has written to NCC Re Community Assets

Item 3.3 – Height of Wall , we have responded again .

- new planters made & stained .

P5 Item 8.12 – Letter sent to Celia Lasseter , Jos Whitaker School & SureStart .

4.1 The Schedule of Accounts Net Total £5,883.19 as per Cash Book for August 2012 – Proposed BY Cllr P Merry & Seconded by Cllr M Gammon & All Agreed Ex Cllr B Evans (not at Meeting) .

4.2 Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31st August 2012- Noted

At this point Chair advised Members that the cost of the forthcoming Election is expected to cost between £3k and £4k which will impact on our resources .

Chair then asked & it was Agreed to bring forward Item 8.7 deferred from last Meeting

8.7 Mr Mike Buckley Re Grant Application – Sherwood Forest Comm . Church Social & Community Action Team .

M B explained the group are all volunteers & are involved in a wide spectrum of debts from people , not just from Blidworth or Rainworth , but from all over North Notts . He also stated that Clients must be debt free before their file is closed . This year , with new clients, they are trying to concentrate on Blidworth families . Non Blidworth/Rainworth clients are re-directed to other Agencies (3 in N.Notts) .

Over last 7 years they have had external funding – so far this year – None .

Members suggested more advertising should be done as most of village are unaware of help .

Chair then Proposed & Cllr M Gammon Seconded & it was Unanimously Agreed that a Grant of £300 be given

Cllr G Merry then stated that he will match this with a Grant of £300 from the NCC Members Fund - (A Large Cheque for £300 to be presented at a Photo Shoot) to help publicise this worthwhile scheme .

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

Mr J Allen stated that BCA are to arrange a Meeting Re an Xmas Fair .

Chair commented that BPC Switch On is 1st December 2012 and are unaware of above , as BPC , nor our BCA Rep. have not received any notifications or Agendas of any BCA Meetings . He advised JA that all correspondence should come to our Clerk .

6 PLANNING

Agreed Planning Volunteers for next month – Cllrs B Evans & J Durkin.

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 : 12/01198/FUL : Location : Black Bull Inn : Proposal : Part change of use to provide 3 x b&b rooms - **AGREED.**

6.2 . Re Planning Appeal : Application Number : 11/01112/OUT : Location : Ex Jolly Friar PH : Proposal : demolish PH & erect up to 6 dwellings & assoc access – Hearing to be held @ K Hall on 16 October 2012 @ 10am - **NOTED.**

6.3 .Notice of Decision : Application Number : 11/01009/FUL ; Location : Land Adj 40 Main St ; Proposal : Erection of dwelling - **NOTED**

6.4 Notice of Decision : Application Number : 12/00858/FUL : Location : The Old Fire Station Nursery : Proposal : Steel Fencing / Gate to front of site & Disabled Access Ramp- **NOTED**

6.5 Planning Application : Application Number : 12/01242/FUL : Location : 2B Dale Lane : Proposal : erection of vehicle storage building - **AGREED**

7 . County Councillor / District Councillors – Blidworth Parish Business

Cllr G Merry explained that the Planning Application Re QE2 Project is still in abeyance as more plans are needed which NCC are funding . There are no problems Re Birds , Parking etc . Full Planning s/b in approx 8 weeks .

It was also mentioned about complaints regarding the poor state of a Caravan & Horse Box just off Beck Lane – **Agreed Clerk to contact NSDC Env. Health Dep't .**

He also added that as per Item 3 P7 we put a full report in CHAD .

8 GENERAL PARISH AFFAIRS

8.1 Neighbourhood Watch .

Noted

8.2 Highways / Footpaths – Cllr J Durkin stated that NSDC Planners have visited Redgate Farm .

Cllr M Gammon commented on overhanging bushes on Belle Vue Lane .

Cllr Mrs S Harvey commented on the long grass on roadside at Fishpool Road – **Agreed Clerk to check**

8.3 Update Re Blidworth in Bloom

Clerk advised that he has spoken with Cllr Mrs C Dabbs & David Wilson Re ordering Winter Baskets Etc after Nov. Meeting . He advised they should be ordered now so that plants etc can be fully bedded in before cold weather comes .

It was then Agreed that Winter Baskets , Large Tubs be ordered now & arrange for D. Wilson to feed & water same .

Cllr G Merry suggested that the Rockings Crib be filled with Yellow Pansies .

Clerk to check Re donation from Cllr GM .

Clerk to try & arrange for an advert in NCC News .

8.4 BPC Website – Chair spoke yesterday with Cllr Mrs Chadwick- s/be completed in 2 to 3 weeks .

8.5 Update Re Suggestion Forms – boxes have been made , Domain Name is – blidworthparishcouncil.org.uk

8.6 Revised Code of Conduct Forms for Members – as agreed last month .

8.7 Sherwood Forest Community Church Grant App. Form (TR from Aug Meeting) – SEE PAGE 1 .

8.12 Vacancy Re Parish Councillor – Clerk advised that if 10 or more residents request an election it will take place a.s.a.p., otherwise BPC could co-opt a new Councillor .

8.13 Proposed Fairs @ Blidworth 2012/13 & 2013/14 – Clerk advised that he has spoken with Mr & Mrs Thompson & they have suggested the following :-

2012 – Sept 18 2013 – May 7 & Sept 17 (Prov. Depending on Sept 2012 results)

8.14 Audit Commission RE New External Auditors – Noted .

8.15 NSDC Guide for Cllrs.- Openness & Transparency on Personal Interests – Chair reminded Members that if they do not declare a Pecuniary Interest in a matter that is discussed in Council , **it is a Criminal Offence .**

8.16 BJ Bakery Re Xmas Party 5 December 2012 - Noted.

8.17 Copy of land Allocation Proposals/Comments & Responses - Noted .

8.18 NCC Re Winter Service – Salt Etc - Agreed Clerk order 5 x 25k Bags & 1 x £55 Bag

8.19 To arrange meeting with 2 Reprs. from “ Not Just Swimming “ – Agreed 25 Oct 2012 @ 7.40pm.

8.20 “Switch On Event “ – 1st December 2012 – Clerk outlined arrangements made so far but disappointed we cannot book Climbing Wall this year . **It was agreed he try to get the NCC Youth Bus & also if possible a children’s entertainer .**

8.21 Lynda Ogilvie Re Finance Training for Councillors – after a short discussion it was Agreed to drop this idea .

8.22 NSDC Annual Parish Conference 1st October 2012 – Agreed Chair & Cllrs A Fell & M Gammon attend .

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

9.1 Gedling BC Re Proposed Community Infrastructure Levy - Noted

9.2 NSDC – “Feast of Nottinghamshire “ Charity Fundraising Event – 27 Sept.- Civic Suite , Kelham Hall @ 7.30pm £25 each - Noted

9.3 NCC Re Superfast Broadband for Notts. Campaign - Noted.

9.4 NSDC – Items to be considered @ Planning Committee 4 September 2012 - Noted .

9.5 National Trust- Volunteers needed @ Mr Straw’s House , Worksop - Noted

9.6 . Gill Footitt – NCC – Update Re Youth Work @ Sherwood Ave Playing Field – Noted

At this point Cllr J Durkin left the Meeting .

9.7 LCR Autumn 2012 - Noted.

9.8 RCAN AGM 6 Nov 2012 @ Newstead Centre 4pm (Coffee & Cake) - Noted

9.9 NALC AGM 14 Nov 2012 @ Epperstone VH 7.30pm (max 2 to attend) + Form A (Appointment of voting delegates) – Form B Nominations for Election of Officers – Form C Nominations for election of Executive Committee – Agreed Cllr A Fell attend .

9.10 Home-Start Dukeries – Annual Report - Noted

9.11 NSDC Citizen of Year – 3 Age Gps- U25s 26 – 59 & 60+ - Noted

9.12 Friends of Cornwater Club - Noted

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

- 1. PDP Compliance News 14.08.12 - Noted**
- 2. PDP Compliance News 21.08.12 - Noted**
- 3. PDP Compliance News 28.08.12 - Noted**
- 4. PDP Compliance News 04.09.12 - Noted**
- 5. F.O.I News 14.08.12 - Noted**
- 6. Action for Market Towns-Getting to Grips with Localism - Noted**
- 7. RHS Re Dig Together Day – November 2012 - Noted**

- 8. NALC Re Data Protection & F.O.I. Info for Local Councils - Noted**

Meeting closed @ 9.45 pm .