

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 13th DECEMBER 2012 AT BLIDWORTH
COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

PRESENT

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

Also present were :- Mr G Swain , Mr M Connolly , Mrs D Baines , Mr Baines & Mrs C Lassetter .

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 : 6.4 Planning Application Re 15 Main Street – 8.12 Election & 8.13 Grant Application , Men in Sheds .

1 . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllrs A Fell (NSDC) , T Hurst (Recuperation) & B Evans Rotary Xmas duties.

2 . Declarations of Interest Re any Items on the Agenda – Chair & Cllr Mrs S Harvey Re Blidworth Oaks School .

3. MINUTES AND STATUTORY BUSINESS

3.1 To agree Minutes of Parish Meeting 15 November 2012 – Cllr M Gammon Proposed & Cllr Mrs S Harvey Seconded & it was Unanimously Agreed the Minutes be approved , subject to the following amendment – P3 Item 8.7 delete Treasurer & insert Secretary .

3.2 Parish Clerk's Update on Actions Taken –

Item 8.3 – it was previously agreed the Crib should not be filled with flowers so yellow pansies will be in most of the planters . The Fire Station site is OK .

Item 8.11 unfortunately Miss A Watts cannot attend , Clerk is trying to find an alternative . Posters have gone out as residents are confused between BCA Function on 24 November & our Switch On the following week .

Item 9.11 – not met yet .

4.1 Approval of Schedule of Accounts - Cash Book for November 2012 Net Total £2,921.73 as per Cash Book for November 2012 – Proposed by Chair & Seconded by Cllr P Merry & Unanimously Agreed .

4.2 Approval of Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30th November 2012- Noted

At this point Chair suggested & it was Agreed to bring forward Items 8.11 & 8.13 .

8.11 Blidworth Oaks School Grant Application – Mrs Lasseter explained that the proposed Murals the school would like to buy with this Grant are permanent , & showed copies of them to Members .

Chair Proposed & Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Seconded & it was Unanimously Approved a Grant of £500 be given .

8.13 Age UK Re Men in Sheds Grant Application

All Members were impressed by this organisation which is comprised of approx 40 men aged 60+ , with the oldest being 85 , learning under supervision , how to make items that can later be sold . **Chair Proposed & Cllr Mrs C Dabbs Seconded & it was Agreed Unanimously that a Grant of £200 be given .**

8.05pm Chair suspended Standing Orders

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD – Chair stated that due to large Agenda he would allow 3 minutes only .

Mr G Swain ex Secretary of the Allotments Assoc'n . introduced Mrs Donna Baines the newly elected Secretary . GS then went on to explain the reasons why the large banner had been erected at Dale Lane Allotment Site recently , & also informed Members , that a large Petition , to help raise awareness & containing approx 800 names , is going to NSDC next week with a copy to BPC . .

8.10pm Standing Orders Re-instated .

6 PLANNING

Cllr G Merry advised that he will take part in discussions but not vote on any of the following matters

Agreed Cllrs M Gammon & B Evans be appointed to check new Planning Applications

6.1 Planning Application : Application Number : 12/01417/OUT : Location : Land south of The Red House , Belle Vue Lane : Proposal : Erect 4 detached houses – members were concerned regarding access route through a group of large trees – **AGREED but suggest a members site visit be requested .**

6.2 Notice of Decision : Application Number : 11/00418/FUL : Location : Haywood Oaks Farm : Proposal : conversion of redundant agric. Building into 2 x dwellings & 2 x holiday lets - **Noted**

6.3 Notice of Decision : Application Number : 12/01368/LBC : Location : Haywood Oaks Farm : Proposal : conversion of farm buildings adj to grade 2 listed farmhouse - **Noted**

Late Item 6.4 Planning Application : Application Number : 12/01653/FUL : Location : 15 Main Street : Proposal : erection of single storey side extension - **AGREED.**

7 . County Councillor / District Councillors – Blidworth Parish Business

8 GENERAL PARISH AFFAIRS

Cllr GM advised that the Planning Application Re the QE2 Project , will now have to go to the Full Planning Committee in early January 2013 . He has spoken to several Local Groups such as Police , Youth Workers , who are all in favour of this project .

8.1 Neighbourhood Watch - Noted.

8.2 Highways / Footpaths – Members commented on the fact that double yellow lines have still not yet been implemented on Mansfield Road / Belle Vue Lane area as suggested . **Agreed Clerk write to Jo Horton @ NCC .**

8.3 Update Re Blidworth in Bloom - Noted

8.4 BPC Website – Register of Interest Forms & Code of Conduct to be scanned next week .

8.5 Update Re Suggestion Forms – Cllr Mrs Harvey brought the Draft Form to the Meeting , where Members agreed there should be a disclaimer on it .

8.6 Neighbourhood Planning – SEE PAGE 1

8.7 “Switch on Event “ 1st December 2012 –.Members are very disappointed this year with the numerous faults that have arisen from day 1 . Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Proposed & Cllr P Merry Seconded & it was Unanimously Agreed that Clerk contact Rhys Fell giving him 48 hours to get the lights working again or we will arrange for someone else to do this work and deduct same from his bill .

Chair stated that he & Clerk had a Meeting this week with Mick Moore , NCC Principle Electrical Works Manager & his colleague David Cooke , to discuss some of the problems , but mainly to talk over various suggestions for next year , particularly with savings in manpower costs . It may also be possible to not use street lights for power . We are meeting them again early in the New Year prior to our Budget Meeting with some ideas and costings .

8.8 . Land Allocation – this item was partially dealt with whilst members of the Allotments Assoc'n. were still present . A discussion took place regarding the issues at the Allotments Site & others to be discussed @ the forthcoming meeting next week @ NSDC with the Planning Appeal Officer & NSDC Planners

8.9 Update Re Pensioners Annual Xmas Party – An excellent day all round . Booked for 91 people . 15 local Army Cadets & supervising Officer helped to serve the food & drinks for them all , after which they were entertained by the Joseph Whitaker School Band & the Blidworth Oaks School Choir . A raffle then followed & everyone left after having a great party .

8.10 BPC Code of Conduct – This copy is the NALC version . Agreed we stay with the NSDC version , as approved by the Monitoring Officer .

8.11 Blidworth Oaks Primary School Grant Application – SEE PAGE 2

8.12 Election 17 Jan . 2013 – Agreed by 5 votes FOR & 2 Abstained that we do not have Poll Cards for this election .

8.13 Men in Sheds Grant Application – SEE PAGE 2

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

9.1 NCC LIS Event 7 March 2013 @ Newark Showground 10am – 3pm - Noted

9.2. Mike Henson Re Estates & Letting Agents Out of Date Boards – Agreed to block

9.3 Request from Ravenshead Cornwater Club – January Meeting

9.4 NALC Re Training Course Re Code of Conduct , Members Interests , Dispensations Etc on 21 Jan 2013 @ Anstey 1 – 4pm – cost £30pp - Noted

9.5 NSDC- Items to be considered @ Planning Committee - Noted

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

1. PDP Compliance News – 27.11.12
2. PDP Compliance News - 05.12.12
- 3 . ALERT Message Re Investment Frauds .
- 4 ALERT Message Re Buying Stolen Goods
- 5 . ALERT Message Re Loan Sharks
6. ALERT Message Re recent Burglaries on Abbey Rd , Dale Lane & Robin Hood Rd.
- 7 . ALERT Message Re No more Cash for scrap – it's the Law
- 8 . PDP Compliance News – 20.11.12
- 9 . Freedom of Information Request from J Allen Re Proposed QE2 Project

Meeting closed @ 10.05 pm .

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