



MINUTES OF THE BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held at 7.30p.m. on Thursday 18th January 2018 at
Blidworth Leisure Centre, Belle Vue Lane, Blidworth, NG21 0RD

Present: Councillors: E Hurst (Chair), J Bradbury, T Hurst, J Middleton
W Bates (Senior), J Cheesmond, S Mottishaw, K Arnold

Clerk: C Brettell

In attendance: 13 members of the public

Action by

- 18/97 To receive - Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda**
Cllr Arnold declared an interest in item 18/104 planning
- 18/98 To receive - Apologies for absence given to the Clerk**
Apologies for absence were received and accepted by Cllr Bates (Junior) (Work Commitment) and Cllr Woodhead (Illness).
- 18/99 To Elect a Chair**
This item was no longer relevant
- 18/100 To receive and approve - Minutes of the meeting on 16th November 2017** (Appendix 1)
It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 16th November 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record.
To receive and approve - Minutes of the meeting on 11th January 2018 (to follow)
These minutes were not available and members agreed for them will be put forward to the February meeting.
- 18/101 To note – Updates on matters arising from the minutes if not already on the Agenda**
(no decisions can be made)
The Clerk updated members on the items/actions arising from the minutes that had been carried out.

It was **resolved** to move to item 18/104

Cllr Arnold declared an interest and left the room

18/104 Planning Applications

To receive, and where appropriate comment on the following applications:

- 104.1 17/02273/FUL -Demolition of existing 1 x semi-detached dwelling and the development of 1 x 3-bed dwelling, 1 x 2-bed dwelling, 2 x 1-bed flat and 1 x 3-bed bungalow. Regulation 3 Application
1 And 3 Central Avenue and Land To The Rear Blidworth Nottinghamshire
NG21 0SH

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It was **resolved** to respond with 'No Objections to this Application subject to Neighbours Comments'. **Clerk**

104.2 17/02326/FULM – 100 New Dwellings with Associated Access, Earthworks and other Ancillary and Enabling Work – Land at New Lane, Blidworth, NG21 0PH
The Chair read out a statement from Cllr Bates (Junior) stating the development is unsuitable and although not present he would join with Blidworth Parish Council to actively oppose the application.

Each Councillor made their comments/objections to this application.

It was **resolved** to respond with 'Blidworth Parish Council Strongly object to this Application'. Based on the information provided by Councillors and members of the public the Council would put a statement of objection together. A selection of members would meet to agree this statement on Thursday 25th January. **Clerk**

It was agreed that representation from the Parish Council (Chair and Clerk) would attend the Planning Committee meeting at Newark and Sherwood District Council.

The following applications have been granted consent:

104.3 17/02206/FUL – Retrospective Planning Application for the retention of Material change of use to vehicle salvage and storage (Sui Generis) – Salvage Solutions Direct, Leach Way, Blidworth, Nottinghamshire, NG21 0RU

Noted.

18/102 To receive Representations

102.1 Public Participation

Members of the public spoke about their concerns for the New Lane Development and these issues were taken on board by members.

Cllr Arnold returned to the room

██████████ presented the Council with his proposal for developing football facilities on behalf of the Blidworth Bengals at Sherwood Avenue, Mansfield. The Chair informed him that the Parish Council only leased part of this land, and the lease would need to be looked at and other options explored. She also asked if they could put together a business plan which the Council could look at. **Clerk**

102.2 Reports from District and County Council Representatives on Matters of direct relevance to Blidworth Parishioners

Nothing to report.

18/103 To receive – Clerks Report

103.1 Parishioner comments/issues in the Village/Handyman update

The Stiles on Footpath 3 had now been completed and some minor drainage work had been carried out. Many complaints had been received from residents and parents of children attending Blidworth Oaks regarding the amount of dog mess on both Belle Vue Lane and Haywood Avenue. The Clerk had discussed this with the Dog Warden and asked him to monitor.

Concerns had been raised about the speed of vehicles travelling through the Village – This was to be addressed following submission of the Petition. Parking at the entrance to Belle Vue Lane was becoming a hazard for other vehicles and pedestrians. It had been suggested that the double yellow lines be extended to avoid people parking. The Clerk was asked to look into this. **Clerk**

The handman had repaired fences at Dale Lane Allotment and was currently repairing some of the Village benches.

18/105 Business

105.1 To Discuss – Highways, Road Safety and Footpath issues

The Clerk updated members from the meeting held on the 16th January with Councillors and VIAEM regarding the Warsop Lane Road Junction. Traffic surveys should commence shortly following the submission of the Speed reduction Petition.

It was noted that Cllr Bates (Senior) suggested a need to publicise Blidworth's footpaths and to make more of Blidworth being a 'Doomsday Village'.

105.2 To Note - External Auditor provision for 2017/18

Blidworth Parish Council had been appointed with PKF LittleJohn LLP as their auditor for the next five years. The Clerk is to attend a webinar session on the 23rd January for an update.

105.3 To Discuss - Recommendations in regard to Data Protection compliance (Appendix 2)
The Clerk referred members to the recommendation in Appendix 2.

It was **resolved** to accept these recommendations in order to ensure compliance.

105.4 To Adopt – Privacy Policy (Appendix 3)

It was **resolved** to adopt the Privacy Policy.

105.5 To Adopt – Safeguarding Policy (Appendix 4)

It was **resolved** to adopt the Safeguarding Policy.

105.6 To Adopt – Equality and Diversity Policy (Appendix 5)

It was **resolved** to adopt the Equality and Diversity Policy.

105.7 To Discuss - Quotations for tree work at Marriott Lane (Appendix 6)

The Clerk referred members to the 3 recommendations and quotations from Tree specialists provided.

It was **resolved** to proceed with the work from SJ Horsnall Tree and Fencing Ltd as per their quotation.

105.8 To Agree – Change of date for Annual Parish Meeting

It was **resolved** to change the date of the Annual Parish meeting to Saturday 21st April to avoid the School holidays. Clerk to book and arrange as per last year. **Clerk**

18/106 Financial Matters (yellow Papers)

To receive and approve accounts and financial information:

106.1 Analysis of Expenditure – November and December 2017 (Appendix 7)

106.2 Analysis of Income – November and December 2017 (Appendix 8)

106.3 Bank reconciliation Statement as at 30th November 2017 and 21st December 2017 (Appendix 9)

106.4 To authorise schedule of Payments for January 2018 (Appendix 10)

It was **resolved** to accept and approve the financial information and schedule of payments as per items 106.1 – 106.4.

18/107 To note – Correspondence received

New Year Message from NALC (emailed to Councillors 9/1/17)

All other relevant correspondence/email circulars have been emailed directly to Councillors

Noted.

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