



**MINUTES OF THE BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**held at 7.30p.m. on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017 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

Clerk: C Brettell

In attendance: 2 members of the public

**Action by**

- 17/69 To receive - Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda**  
No Declaration of Interests were received.
- 17/70 To receive - Apologies for absence given to the Clerk**  
Apologies for absence were received and accepted by Cllr Bates (Junior) due to a work commitment, Cllr Cocker due to illness and Cllrs Woodhead and Arnold who were at a Planning meeting.
- 17/71 To receive and approve - Minutes of the meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017 (Appendix 1)**  
It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record.
- 17/72 To note – Updates on matters arising from the minutes (no decisions can be made)**  
The Clerk updated members on the items/actions arising from the minutes that had been carried out.
- 17/73 To receive Representations**  
73.1 Parishioner Representations  
Mrs [REDACTED] from Sam's Workplace addressed the Council with their idea of making the Community Allotments an area where the community can come together to work on projects. Sam's Place are struggling to get adequate Insurance cover for this and different options were discussed. It was also asked if the Council could ask residents with gardens backing on to the allotments if their trees could be cut back as the area was becoming very dark and difficult to grow produce. The Clerk was asked to look into this. **Clerk**
- 73.2 Reports from District and County Council Representatives on Matters of direct relevance to Blidworth Parishioners  
As Cllrs Woodhead and Arnold were absent there was nothing to report.
- 17/74 To receive – Clerks Report**  
74.1 Parishioner comments and issues in the Village  
The Clerk updated members on the complaints and issues that had been reported to the Office and the actions she had taken. These included overgrown shrubbery, Street lighting, Dog mess and parked cars.

*E.L. Hurst*

## 17/75 Planning Applications

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

- 75.1 17/01738/FUL - Proposed 37ft x 12ft holiday let static caravan and associated parking sited on existing touring caravan site - Kirkfield Calverton Road Blidworth NG21 0NW  
It was **resolved** to respond with 'No objections to this application subject to Neighbours'. **Clerk**
- 75.2 17/01653/FUL - Householder application for replacement front door and french doors at the rear - 11 Will Scarlet Close Blidworth Nottinghamshire NG21 0NJ  
It was **resolved** to respond with 'No objections to this application subject to Neighbours'. **Clerk**
- 75.3 17/01773/FUL - Householder application for first floor side extension and alterations to existing roof (re-submission of 17/00757/FUL). East View Marriott Lane Blidworth NG21 0QF  
It was **resolved** to respond with 'No objections to this application subject to Neighbours'. **Clerk**
- 75.4 17/01698/FUL - Erection of single storey extension - Mirical Emblems Ltd Mansfield Road Blidworth NG21 0LR  
It was **resolved** to respond with 'No objections to this application'. **Clerk**
- 75.5 17/01518/FUL - Householder application for erection of a single bay extension to the existing carport and covered link - Hall Farm Bungalow Blidworth Road Farnsfield Nottinghamshire  
This Application was not in the Blidworth Parish.
- 75.6 17/00096/NEWDEV – 21 new build homes – Land adjacent Belle Vue House, Belle Vue Lane, Blidworth - Proposed Street Naming  
It was **resolved** that the Parish Council propose to Newark and Sherwood District Council that the Street be named 'Andrew Cutts Way'. Permission to be sought in the first instance from the Cutts family. **Clerk**

The following Applications have been granted permission:

- 75.7 17/00221/FUL Previous Ref: PP-05708730 – Newark and Sherwood District Council/ Newark and Sherwood District Homes – The demolition of 6 Garages and the development of 3 x 1 bed Flats – Land adjacent 23 Haywood Oaks Lane, Blidworth, NG21 0TP  
Noted.

## 17/76 Business

76.1 Update from Working Party – Christmas Fair and Light Switch On  
The Clerk updated members with the stalls attending. A risk assessment had been carried out and Nicola Spalding was able to provide First Aid Cover for the Event. The Clerk had contacted local shops who had offered a selection of gifts for use at the event. It was agreed that gifts be purchased as in previous years for both the Lights switch on and Pensioners Party (under section 137).  
The Clerk had applied for the Licence for the Christmas Lights and AW Fencing had provided a rough estimate to cut back the Holly tree prior to the lights being erected. It

was requested that the Clerk obtain two quotations for this work and proceed as necessary.

Clerk

76.2 To Discuss – Possibility of the siting of a bench in memory of A Musson at the War Memorial (Decision deferred from last meeting)

It was **resolved** to allow the siting of a bench near the 'Well' area subject to a written proposal from the family detailing the bench's location, manufacture and wording on the plaque. The Clerk to make contact and ask for this prior to the next Council meeting. Clerk

76.3 To Discuss – Highways, Road Safety and Footpath issues

The Clerk had contacted the Conservation Officer at Newark and Sherwood District Council regarding the cobbles on Main Street, Blidworth and was awaiting a response.

76.4 To Approve – Standing Orders (Appendix 2)

It was **resolved** to approve the Standing Orders.

76.5 To Update - Remembrance Day

The Clerk updated members regarding the Remembrance Service. Despite the Councils efforts volunteers were still needed to stand at the Road Closure points. It was suggested that the Fire Service be contacted to see if they are able to help.

It was **resolved** that the Clerk ascertain the services of a Company and pay for stewards as necessary if no volunteers are found prior to the event.

Clerk

76.6 To Discuss – Annual Parks Inspections (Appendix 3)

Members were made aware of the items that needed remedial action for all 3 Play Parks. The Clerk had arranged to meet the Contractor to discuss the issues raised in relation to the new Park on Marriott Lane and would report back to members. As previously discussed quotations are being sought in relation to upgrading the Park at Belle Vue Lane.

76.7 To Discuss – Orienteering Event and use of park (Appendix 4)

Members agreed that there were no issues relating to this and the Clerk could respond to the request.

Clerk

76.8 To Discuss – Office security and quotations received

Several quotations had been received for both the alterations to the door and the security system. The Clerk had met with Andy Carolan from Newark and Sherwood District Council to discuss the alterations and seek permission. He had suggested the possibility of building an extension on to the Leisure Centre to which members wished to explore further. The Clerk was asked to look into this and report back at the next meeting. In the meantime Newark and Sherwood District Council would confirm specifications/permission for the door alterations and the ask their contractor to also provide a quotation for the work.

It was agreed that the Leisure Centre should have an Office Key and Alarm details in case of an Emergency.

76.9 To Authorise – New Councillor Training January 2018

It was **resolved** that Cllrs Mottishaw and Bradbury attend the New Councillor training

76.10 To Discuss – Siting of garages at Allotments

Members were informed of two requests for garage spaces at the Appleton Road Allotment site which had been briefly discussed at the Allotment Inspection. Both parties had put their request in writing which the Clerk read out to Members and it was then discussed.

It was **resolved** to give permission to Mr [REDACTED] to rent a Garage space from Blidworth Parish Council to the rear of his existing double garage plot (G14) in order to erect a sectional garage building. This would be subject to obtaining the necessary Planning Permission and Building Regulations from Newark and Sherwood District Council. Mr [REDACTED] would also remove all existing rubbish and clear the ground as per his letter.

It was further **resolved** to give permission to Mr [REDACTED] (who had requested the same plot) a garage space in front of Allotment plot A12 should he wish, in order to erect a sectional garage building. This would be subject to obtaining the necessary Planning Permission

and Building Regulations from Newark and Sherwood District Council. Mr [REDACTED] would also remove all existing rubbish and clear the ground.

76.11 To Discuss – Speed reduction Petition

It was **resolved** to ask Cllr Woodhead to present this petition on behalf of Blidworth Parish Council. **Clerk**

76.12 To Discuss – Appointment of new Internal Auditor

The Clerk produced a list from Nalc of local Internal Auditors of which she had made contacted with several. The costs were discussed.

It was **resolved** to appoint Susan Stack as Internal Auditor **Clerk**

76.13 To Discuss – Bloom – Winter Planting

The Clerk informed members of the quotations received for the Winter pansies/flowers.

It was **resolved** that due to timescales and the handyman being on holiday for the next few weeks David Wilson would supply and plant up the Winter Planters as per his quotation.

**17/77 Financial Matters (yellow Papers)**

To receive and approve accounts and financial information:

77.1 Analysis of Expenditure – September 2017 (Appendix 4)

77.2 Analysis of Income – September 2017 (Appendix 5)

77.3 Bank reconciliation Statement as at 30<sup>th</sup> September (Appendix 6)

It was **resolved** to accept and approve the financial information as per items 77.1 – 77.3

77.4 To authorise schedule of Payments for October 2017 (Appendix 7) including re-issue of cheque to Guides

It was **resolved** to authorise the Schedule of Payments for October 2017

**17/78 To note – Correspondence received**

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