

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 18th JULY 2013 AT BLIDWORTH
COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

PRESENT

P Brooks – Chair
Mrs L Chadwick
Mrs C Dabbs
B Evans
A Fell
M Gammon
T Hurst
G Merry
P Merry
Ms H Warren
G Stocks Clerk

Also in attendance Mrs E Hurst , Cllr Mrs Y Woodhead & Ben, Mansfield CHAD Reporter .

Chair welcomed everyone , then asked if all mobile phones / Tape Recorders could be switched off . He then 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 :- 6.2 Planning Application Re “Cornerways , “ , Beck Lane .

1 . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllr Mrs S Harvey (Holiday) .

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

3. MINUTES AND STATUTORY BUSINESS

3.1 To agree Minutes of Meeting 20th June 2013 -Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Proposed & Cllr M Gammon Seconded – All Agreed .

3.1 (a) To agree Minutes of Meeting 27th June 2013 – Agreed.

3.2 Parish Clerks update on actions taken –

Item 8.3 – Community Payback Scheme – See 9.4

Repaint Play Equip. BCC Play Area – John Arins when back from holiday , is to arrange for the re-painting of this Play Area during the School Summer Holiday . It is hoped to coincide this work with our planned concreting at Garage Workshop driveway & entrance to Play Area .

If this project goes ahead it will mean closing the whole Play Area for 2 days .

Graffiti @ rear of Notice Boards has been cleared .

Clerk has spoken with owners of Black Bull Inn Re parked cars – agreed for photos to be taken .

4.1 Approval of Schedule of Accounts Re June 2013 Net Total £6,092.87 - Proposed by Cllr M Gammon & Seconded by Chair – All Agreed Ex Cllr B Evans Abstained – Cllr Mrs L Chadwick enquired if the litter pickers we recently bought could be available for Scouts.

4.2 Quarterly Financial Statement - Noted

4.3 Approval of Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30th June 2013- Noted

8.03 pm - At this point Chair stated that Standing Orders be suspended

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD –

Mrs E Hurst Re Fire @ Allotments

8.05 Standing Orders Re-instated

6 Planning.

6.1 Planning Application : Application Number : 13/00857/FULM : Location : Blidworth Recreation Centre , Mansfield Road : Proposal : Extension to link existing buildings to house kitchen facilities & food preparation – **Agreed (Clerk to send copy to Cllr BE)** .

Late Item 6.2 Planning Application : Application Number : 13/00824/LDC : Location : Cornerways , Beck Lane : Proposal : Lawful Dev. Cert. for an existing use as a residential garden - Members stated that they were not happy with this application , coming only one month later, & in the same vein as their near neighbour , & Proposed we object to this application . **Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Proposed same & Cllr A Fell Seconded & All Agreed Ex Cllr G Merry Abstained .**

7 County Councillor / District Councillors – Blidworth Parish Business –

Mrs Y Woodhead , County & District Councillor , advised that the NSDC response has gone in Re the Electoral Review of Newark & Sherwood .

District / Parish Cllr G Merry advised he had recently been on a Blidworth Village Walk with Karen White (NSDC) , who made various notes . He also referred to the Blidworth Elite U15 Football Team who were given a Members Grant from him , had a very successful season last year , & he asked if the photo depicting the presentation of awards could be displayed in the Parish Office .

8 General Parish Affairs .

8.1 Preliminary Round Results in Best Kept Village Competition 2013 – Noted – but disappointed .

8.2 NCC Re Proposed Footpath Fishpool Road – Members were very pleased with this good news . Agreed Clerk to arrange with NCC/NSDC to mow this area as the grass is very high , & also to contact Clerk @ Ravenshead P.C.

8.3 Highways / Road Safety / Footpaths - Re FP No 1 Lyndhurst – Clerk advised that he has arranged with the Community Payback members to mow/clear this F/P & remove the large stones . Cllr M Gammon stated the speed limit for the area covered by this new F/P as above should be reduced from 60mph . **Agreed Clerk to write to Jo Horton NCC .**

Agreed Clerk to also request Police Speed Team for whole of Blidworth .

8.4 Update Re Bloom – Cllr Mrs C Dabbs reported that all went well with the judges as they walked through the village . The wild flowers are now in full bloom . They were all pleased with what we & all our volunteers have done . **It was then Unanimously Agreed that BPC pay £60 for 45 Medals for the volunteers & children .**

8.5 Update Re Invitation to Police Re Problems @ Sherwood Ave. P.F. – Clerk advised that , as requested he wrote to both Paddy Tipping & Ak Khan , but neither can attend either July or August Meeting due to prior commitments , but Insp. A Gann may attend

August Meeting . It was also suggested Mark Spencer & Hamish Adams from Notts. Comm. Hsg. Assoc. be invited . Clerk to try & arrange same .

8.6 Update Re Xmas Lighting – Cllr B Evans updated members on the latest position . He & Clerk have been in many discussions with NCC / Rob Hollingworth , (Festive Lighting) & Andy Ward . The draft plan so far is to carry on using street lights for power (NCC Licence being completed) , decorate 6 trees from Belle Vue Lane to Hatzfeld House with LED Lights , arrange for Pillar @ The Rockings to be moved / adapted to nearby tree , which could then allow for decoration of two trees in that area with our uplighters . Arrangements for Post Office Tree & Holly Tree to be finalized . Members looked @ the 2 lighting designs suggested by BE & Clerk & chose Tree Festoons . Clerk estimated costs over a 5 year period could be approx £18,500 , of which £10k to £12k in Year 1 , as lights may last up to 5 years , & may be left in trees .
Agreed to defer to next meeting when complete scheme with final costings are available .

8.7 This Item was originally tabled as Confidential Item 1 , but when the time came agreed unanimously that it should not be classed as such but left as Item 8.7.Clerk reported that he has today spoken with NSDC with the following responses :-

1. There are now no dogs on site .
- 2 . The occupier now claims he owns the land & needs the larger caravan for a base .
- 3 . NSDC have asked & he has agreed to remove some of the items , he claims he needs the rest himself .

NSDC seem now that , apart from Planning , there is nothing more they can do .

Agreed Clerk write to NSDC asking them for sight of these deeds .

8.8 Deferred from last Meeting – Electoral Review of Newark & Sherwood

Cllrs Mrs Y Woodhead & G Merry both suggested that NSDC remain with 39 Members overall , with 2 for Blidworth Parish . **Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Proposed this & Chair Seconded , & was Unanimously Agreed Ex Cllr GM who Abstained .**

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

9.1 Letter of thanks Re Grant – Blidworth Oaks School - **Noted**

9.2. Blidworth Recreation Centre – thanks Re Grant - Noted

9.3 Grass Roots – RHS Community Update – **Noted**

9.4 Letter from Notts Probation Trust - **Noted**

10 Emails – (FOR NOTING ONLY)

1. PDP – 12th Annual DP Compliance Conference 10/11th Sept.2013

2. PDP – Compliance News – 18 June 2013
3. PDP – Compliance News – 25 June 2013
4. PDP _ Compliance News -- 02 July 2013
5. FOI News – 19 June 2013
6. FOI News – 3 July 2013
7. PDP Compliance News - 9 July 2013

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

Meeting closed @ 10pm .