

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013 AT BLIDWORTH  
COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

**PRESENT**

P Brooks – Chair  
Mrs L Chadwick  
Mrs C Dabbs  
B Evans  
A Fell  
M Gammon  
Mrs S Harvey ( arrived 7.50pm )  
T Hurst  
Ms H Warren ( arrived @ 7.35pm )  
G Stocks Clerk

Also in attendance Mrs E Hurst & Teachers & 15 Children from Blidworth Oaks Primary School , Craig Williams + 6 leaders & 21members of 1<sup>st</sup> Rainworth/Blidworth Scout Group , Beavers & Cubs , Geoff Swain Forest Folk Allot . Soc; Mrs J Richards Methodist Church , Mrs J Cutts & Family , Colin Smith & Mr & Mrs J Bailey .

7.30pm Chair welcomed everyone & explained that last week , representatives from BPC & Blidworth Oaks School attended the East Midlands in Bloom Presentation of Awards Event @ Skegness , & had a very enjoyable & successful day .  
He then explained that tonight , Cllr Mrs C Dabbs our Bloom Co-ordinator & Cllr B Evans , Bloom Volunteer will now proceed to present the following Awards .

To Blidworth Oaks Primary School – EMIB GOLD AWARD + a BCA Medal for each of the schoolchildren / Scouts / Cubs & Brownies .

To Blidworth Parish Council – EMIB SILVER AWARD for the Village

To Mrs J Cutts & Family – Trophy from BPC & Special EMIB Certificate Re War Memorial Garden .

To Colin Smith – A Special Award from BPC Re Best Formal Garden (Methodist Church Garden ) & Mr & Mrs Bailey for tending a village entry Flower Box .

Cllr Mrs C Dabbs was then presented with a Table Display of flowers from BPC .

Finally there was a Photo Shoot of all concerned which is to be sent to the CHAD with a report .

**7.50pm** Chair then opened the Parish Meeting & then asked if all mobile phones / Tape Recorders could be switched off .

Chair 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- Notice of Decision Re Wind Turbine , Cottage Farm , Cross Lane**

**6.4- Cert. of Lawful Use Re Cornerways , Beck Lane**

## 8.14 Conclusion of 2012/13 External Audit

1 . APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllrs G Merry & P Merry ( Family Bereavement ) .

2 . Declarations of Interest Re any Items on the Agenda – Cllr T Hurst Re Item 8.3 British Legion .

### 3. MINUTES AND STATUTORY BUSINESS

3.1 To agree Minutes of Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> August 2013 & Continuation Meeting 22 August 2013 .Cllr Cllr M Gammon Proposed & Cllr Mrs C Dabbs Seconded – All Agreed after correction on Page 4 Line 1 – delete Cllr Mrs C Dabbs & add Cllr A Fell .

Continuation Meeting 22 Aug 2013 Agreed subject to 2 corrections – 1. Mrs S Harvey was not late – delete arrived 8.45pm . 2 . Third paragraph , Delete Take him on & replace with – challenge Leisurelites Ltd with regard to non-delivery of services .

3.2 Parish Clerks update on actions taken –  
Item 8.2 – Clerk wrote to David Wilson thanking him .

4.1 Approval of Schedule of Accounts Re August 2013 Net Total £7,809.76 - **Proposed by Cllr M Gammon & Seconded by Cllr Mrs C Dabbs – All Agreed .**

4.2 Approval of Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31st August 2013- **Noted**

**Chair then stated he wished to bring forward the following Item – Agreed**  
**8.9 Grant Application from 1<sup>st</sup> Rainworth/Blidworth Scout Group**

Craig Williams , Chairman & Assistant Group Leader introduced himself & outlined how the group has progressed in the last few years from only 4 scouts to almost 20 now , with more than half from Blidworth , where they are based at The Mission Hall . He also added that should BPC need help with any projects affecting the village , they will assist where they can .

Chair reminded CW the max Grant is £1,000 & also asked for details why needed .

CW stated they have shopped around & the Camp is scheduled for May 2014 , so they will need all the equipment by then , plus they would like to provide each camper with £50 cash for the trip .

All members agreed that scouting is good for discipline , lots of local children are involved & they have also supported us with projects .

**Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Proposed Grant of £1,000 & Chair Seconded – Agreed Unanimously**

**5 . Public Participation Period . At this point Chair asked Mrs Hurst , the only member of the public in attendance if she wished to speak & she had nothing to discuss .**

## 6 Planning.

6.1 **CONSULTATION** Planning Application : Application Number :13/01072/OUTM :

Location : Ash Farm , Cockett Lane , Farnsfield : Proposal : Outline Planning

Application for erection of up to 100 No dwellings with Assoc Infrastructure along with 0.5ha of B1 & B2 employment development – **Noted – Possible flooding problem.**

**Late Item 6.2** Notice of Decision : Application Number : 13/00406/FUL : Location : Cottage Farm , Cross Lane : Proposal : 500k Wind Turbine - **AGREED**

**6.3** Notice of Decision : Application Number : 13/00930/FUL : Location : 58 Mansfield Road : Proposal : construct porch on front – **APPROVE**

**Late Item 6.4** Certificate of Lawful Use – Cornerways , Beck Lane .- **Noted**

**7** County Councillor / District Councillors – Blidworth Parish Business – None – Cllr Mrs Y Woodhead & Cllr G Merry have both sent apologies for this Meeting .

**8** General Parish Affairs .

**8.1** Highways / Road Safety / Footpaths .

It was again reported that the Interactive Speed Sign on Mansfield Road adj Welfare is not working – **Clerk to write to Jo Horton – NCC Highways Manager .**

Cllr T Hurst raised a query Re unsightly structure opposite entrance to School on Belle Vue Lane – **Clerk to check .**

**Cllr M Gammon reported on poor state of Mansfield Road – Clerk to write to Jo Horton with copy to Cllr Mrs Y Woodhead .**

Cllr Mrs C Dabbs queried as to whether roads near Blidworth School will have a 20mph limit – **Clerk to check with Jo Horton .**

Cllr Mrs S Harvey advised that an unescorted male patient adj Care Home , has been seen hiding behind bushes & playing peek a boo with passing motorists – **Clerk to write .**

**8.2** Update Re Bloom

Cllr Mrs C Dabbs stated that the only works currently needed are buying winter pansies & removing the wreaths from War Memorial Site .

**8.3** Royal Br Legion Re 2013 Remembrance Day

Chair advised that he and Mike Steel have arranged a reciprocal agreement whereby it was Agreed to invite a representative to each others Parade . Agreed Cllr T Hurst will attend the Rainworth Ceremony & lay a wreath on behalf of Blidworth Parish Council – **Clerk to arrange for 2 wreaths to be bought .**

**8.4** BCA Re Switch on Event

Martin Atherton is to be Santa . A meeting is to be arranged .

**8.5** Update Re Xmas Lighting 2013 .

Clerk outlined the state of affairs . GS/BE /Andy Ward met & AW brought in his completed part of the NCC Application Form for Xmas Lighting . We unanimously agreed that AW will erect / take down all lighting & Overton Electrics from Mansfield will complete all the electrical connections . Overtons have sent copies of all the required documents /staff names / qualifications etc ; all these plus our completed form were handed in at NCC Ollerton on

Mon.16 Sept 2013 . Mick Moore & Dave Cooke , NCC Senior Elec Staff are to come & advise us regarding our Application / Lighting Plans .

**Lighting Plan** – For the area from Belle Vue Lane to Hatzfeld House we aim to dress 6 x trees with the Tree Wrap system as shown @ a previous Meeting . These will be interspersed with approx 8 x 400w Uplighters from our stock ( which have been tested & OK ) .

**Post Office Tree** – Buy a small pillar & connect same to available elec. power , and dress tree with larger number of Tree Wrap system with low voltage LED Lights .

**Holly Tree** – provided that we can connect to a nearby street light we aim to use some of our existing stock , providing they pass the test , & the nearby street light can be used .

**Other Plans – ( Low Cost ) –**

**Front of Community Leisure Centre -** Permission granted to set up 2 x Uplighters & connect to their power supply .

**Ex Fire Station Nursery -** Permission granted to set up Santa Motif outside ex Fire Station Nursey & connect to nearby Street Light .

**O/S Pharmacy & Surgery –** Dress 3 or 4 Small Trees in front of Pharmacy / Surgery – Set up Low Voltage small LED lights in these trees & connect to street light .

**Mick Moore & Dave Cooke will check / verify if all the above can be done .**

### **8.6 Blidworth Gala/Food Fair – Sunday 29 Sept. 2013 – 12 -4 pm @ Welfare**

Chair advised that so far we have 11 Business Stalls booked & 11 Charity Stalls . A meeting is arranged with David Donaldson & Alison Sherratt @ Welfare on Tuesday 24 Sept. @ 6pm.

**8.7 NSDC – Items for next Planning Meeting – N/A - ( Cllr B Evans stated that he has rec'd correspondence from NSDC Re Gypsy Encampments ) .**

### **8.8 Speeding Traffic .**

Members reviewed the copy sent by Jo Horton , NCC Area Highways Manager , of the 12 Hour (0700 – 1900 ) Average Weekday 85<sup>th</sup> Percentile Speeds (mph ) in Blidworth , Oct 2012 ) , & the response from Notts Police , Traffic & Road Casualty Reduction Section , regarding our request for a speed survey .

Members agreed that we need a campaign for the village to request that NCC Highways build Chicane(s) along Dale Lane & Rumble Strips at all village entrances , to help slow traffic down . A letter to be sent to Jo Horton NCC & Notts Police to request same .

### **8.9 Grant Application 1<sup>st</sup> Rainworth / Blidworth Scout Group ( SEE PAGE 2 )**

**8.10 Agreed ADD Cllr M Gammon to attend with Chair & Cllr B Evans .**

**8.11 Noted – Cllr Mrs L Chadwick asked Clerk to forward a copy of this email .**

**.8.12 NSDC Annual Play Inspection Reports**

Clerk advised that all 3 sites were inspected on 18 July 2013 . Risk Assessments are classed as :- **VERY LOW LOW MODERATE HIGH VERY HIGH** . We have 93 items listed , all of which are either **Very Low ( 29 ) OR LOW ( 64 )** . Several of these minor problems have already been dealt with since the inspection .

**8.13 Update Re Annual Pensioners Party – Wed. 4 December 2013 @ Welfare .**

Clerk advised most of the arrangements have been made – Room booked - Agreed Menu – same as last year £9.50 - School Choirs / Band booked . To be arranged , Cadets / Scouts & Lists distributed for names /addresses / choice of menu etc

**Late Item 8.14 NSDC Allocations & Dev. Management Dev. Plan Document - Noted**

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

**9.1 L.C.R.**

**9.2 NCC Re Tippings Wood**

**9.3 Ashfield DC Re Local Plan Publication Document .**

**9.4 NALC AGM Wed. 13 Nov.2013 @ Epperstone VH - Noted**

**9.5 NCC Winter Service – Salt Etc .**

**10 Emails – ( FOR NOTING ONLY )**

- 1. PDP - Compliance News – 06.08.13**
- 2 PDP – Compliance News – 13.08.13**
- 3 PDP – Compliance News – 20.08.13**
- 4 PDP \_ Compliance News -- 28.08.2013**  
**PDP – Compliance News -- 03.09.2013**
- 6 FOI News – 14.08.2013**
- 7 FOI News – 29.08.2013**
- 8 FOI News – 11.08.2013**
- 9 PDP – Compliance News – 10.09.2013**

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