

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER 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 & Mansfield CHAD Reporter .

Chair welcomed everyone , 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 .

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

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

3. MINUTES AND STATUTORY BUSINESS

3.1 To agree Minutes of Meeting 19th September 2013 -Cllr Mrs L Chadwick Proposed & Cllr Ms H Warren Seconded (subject to Amendment Re Item 8.1 Line 3 – replace “ near Sher. Avenue Playing Field “ with “ opposite entrance to School on Belle Vue Lane “) - All Agreed Ex Cllrs G Merry & P Merry (On holiday) .

3.2 Parish Clerks update on actions taken –

Item 8.1 Re Speed Sign – Work done ,see letter 8.1

Re Mansfield Road – see letter 8.1

Re Schools 20mph Speed Limit – see letter 8.1

Item 8.8 Re Speeding Traffic – see letter 8.1

Item 9.4 – Paddy Tipping is to attend .

Confidential Item B – letter sent to Land Agents

4.1 Approval of Schedule of Accounts Re September 2013 Net Total (-£33,603.23- Proposed by Cllr P Merry & Seconded by Mrs C Dabbs – All Agreed .

4.1 (A) Analysis of Expenditure / Income for ½ Year 2013.14 -Clerk outlined the spreadsheet. (Cllr B Evans requested details of current Fund Balances for next Meeting .

4.2 Approval of Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30th September 2013- Noted

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD – None

6 Planning.

6.1 Planning Application : Application Number : 13/00967/FUL : Location : “Norwood” , Mansfield Road : Proposal : Single 10kw wind turbine – **OBJECT- too close to neighbouring properties & other turbines .**

6.2 Planning Application : Application Number : 13/00989/FUL : Location : Land to rear of 26 The Crescent : Proposal : Erect 5 Dwellings – **AGREED but Clerk to contact NSDC to see if boundary wall between site & ex Comm. Garden Allot site could be built , as agreed with same applicant several years ago .**

6.3 Notice of Decision : Application Number : 13/00857/FULM : Location : Blidworth Welfare : Proposal : Ext to link existing buildings to house kitchen facilities & food preparation - **NOTED**

7 County Councillor / District Councillors – Blidworth Parish Business

Cllr YW stated she has received several complaints Re heavy lorries travelling through the village & suggested get as much detail as possible – Company Name , number plate details , Size etc. & thinks BPC should request we do not want lorries to come up Dale Lane .

She also said she had tried to put in a bid to buy the ex Police Station on Dale Lane , but unfortunately the price went up .

Cllr G Merry was pleased that work has started on the new footpath , Fishpool Road .

8 General Parish Affairs .

8.1 Highways / Road Safety / Footpaths – responses from Jo Horton were as follows :-

- a) Poor state of Mansfield Road – in Programme for 14/15 . Was on reserve list for this year but no funding left .
- b) Proposed 20mph limit near schools – all schools within next 3 years .
- c) Rumble Strips / Chicanes - no funding available .
- d) Interactive Speed Sign O/S Welfare – was damaged but will now be replaced .

and response Re Horses on Footpaths – horses should not be on Pavements – see Ref Highway Code Para. 54 .

Update Re New Footpath @ Fishpool Road – Progress is now well underway .

Cllr T Hurst reported light failures @ Mansfield Road Pedestrian Crossing – **Clerk to report .**

Agreed Clerk contact Ravenshead PC re possibility of extending new footpath into Ravenshead .

8.2 Update Re Bloom – finishing putting winter flowers in .

It was suggested we put notices of Bloom Medal Winners @ Village entrances – **Clerk to look into** .

8.3 Royal Br Legion Re 2013 Remembrance Day – Cadets , Brownies & Scouts will attend , cheque for 2 wreaths has been sent – Marilyn Brown will read services , notices for Memorial Parade cost £16 , Cllr B Evans enquired re a collection .

8.4 Update Re BCA @ Switch on Event – Cllr Mrs L Chadwick stated she will not vote – Cllr Mrs C Dabbs stated that she was invited to a BCA Meeting on Monday 14 October for a discussion Re BCA involvement in above event . The following issues/comments were made :-

BCA would like to use the large side room adj Function Room to run an Indoor Market & have already sold several stalls for same , – want to move chairs , advertising posters , put on Mulled Wine .

Responses from Members were :-

we have professional businesses having stalls selling their goods , people with free charity stalls should not be competing with them -

the event is all about Christmas , very much a family/children's event .

8.5 Floodlights @ MUGA @ Sherwood Ave. P.F. – Clerk advised that following recent discussions with John Arins & NCC Youth Worker about the recent improvement in behaviour , it was agreed he seek BPC approval to allow floodlighting back on till 9.30pm . Chair Proposed & Vice Chair Seconded this & was Agreed Unanimously .

8.6 Update Re Xmas Lighting 2013 – Clerk reported that Cllr Bill Evans , Andy Ward & Clerk , together with Mick Moore & Dave Cook , NCC Lighting Engineers did a tour of the area & gave their comments to our proposals re sites & suitability of trees & lighting columns .

Clerk then went ahead to obtain two further quotes to add to the one we already have .

By 1pm on 7 Oct. 2013 the closing time / date for quotes , only one further quote was received , which was approx 15% higher than the Company responsible for the lighting contract for Bassetlaw DC , & who we had previously spoken with , & received lots of advice .

Cllr B Evans Proposed & Chair Seconded & All Agreed , (ex Cllr A Fell Abstained) , we go ahead with the quote of £5,216.10 + VAT from The Festive Lighting Co.

8.8 Report Re Blidworth Gala/Food Fair – **Chair advised cost to BPC re Event was £70 . On a positive sided , £707 was raised for the children of Blidworth from several Charity Stalls . He also stated that next year he would like to promote a Blidworth Food Fare & Gala , but earlier than this year .**

8.9 Report Re Parish Conference – Mon. 7th October 2013 @ K Hall – **Chair & Cllr M Gammon attended & thought it was well worth going to . Emergency Planning was a high**

profile topic of discussion , particularly with , floods & earthquakes becoming more & more prevalent .

Agreed Clerk agenda Emergency Planning for next Meeting .

8.10 Request for new Dog Bin @ The Crescent – Agreed Clerk to check if we have a Dog Bin that can be moved , if not buy a new one & site as requested .

8.11 Dept for Communities & Local Government Re Community Rights-“Our Place” - Noted

8.12 Dept for Communities & Local Government Re Community Rights - Noted

8.13 Increase in Website Charges - Agreed Vice Chair to look to another Contractor

8.14 Openness & Transparency on Personal Interests – Comments Noted

8.15 NSDC Re CIL Distribution of Funds - Noted

8.16 Local Boundary Commission – Recommended District Cllrs. @ NSDC reduce from 46 to 39 . Clerk to check publication on website last week & Agenda next month .

8.17 Letter from Police Re Fire @ Allotments – contents Noted – agreed Clerk send letter .

8.18 Draft Tenancy Agreement for Allotment Gardens – Agreed Agenda next Meeting .

8.19 National 1% Pay Award from 1st April 2013 – Noted .

8.20 NSDC Public Consultation on the Gypsy & Traveller Development Plan Document (DPD) Issues Paper & the Draft Developer Contributions & Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Development (SPD) . Cllr B Evans stated this is a contentious issue which NSDC are currently looking at /

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

9.1 RCAN Conference – Alternative Delivery Models in Rural Areas -13 Oct.13 , 2 – 4pm Noted

9.2 NALC Re Death of Andy Stewart - Noted.

9.3 Groundwork Creswell , Ashfield & Mansfield - Noted

10 Emails – (FOR NOTING ONLY)

- 1.** PDP - Compliance News – 17.09.13
- 2.** PDP – Compliance News – 24.09.13
- 3.** PDP – Compliance News – 01.10.13
- 4.** PDP _ Compliance News -- 08.10.13
- 5** FOI News – 25.10.13

- 6** FOI News – 09.10.13

Meeting closed @ 9.20 pm