

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT 7.40PM ON THURSDAY 16 OCTOBER 2014 AT BLIDWORTH
COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE .**

PRESENT

P Brooks – Chair

Mrs L Chadwick

Mrs C Dabbs

B Evans

M Gammon

Mrs S Harvey

G Merry

P Merry

G Stocks - Clerk

Also in Attendance Phil Beard (NSDC) & Karen Tarburton (RCAN).

Chair welcomed everyone , then asked if all mobile phone / Tape Recorders could be switched to silent .

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 .

1. Apologies for Absence Cllrs T Hurst (Hol) , Ms H Warren (Uni) & A Fell (Meeting) .

Clerk apologised to Cllrs G Merry & P Merry for forgetting to let them know of the early start .

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

- 3.. Minutes & Statutory Business

- 3.1. To agree Minutes of 25 September 2014 – **the following amendments were made – Cllr Mrs S Harvey, 3.1 Absent (Ill) . 8.3 – Add - Chair also advised that he recently organised a Harvest Festival Auction which raised £70 .**

- 3.2. Parish Clerks update on actions taken – **Re Play Areas –**

Info. Re NCC Supporting Local Community Fund details – See Item 8.7 (Note - MUST APPLY BY 08.12.14 .)

Spoke to Ass't Clerk @ Ravenshead PC – Their Play Area cost Approx £90k bought from own Capital Fund – approx. 7 pieces of Wicksteed Equipment for up to 12y.o. & also at Woodborough PC – from Play/ Leisure Co. up to 12y.o. – from Sport England & Lottery .

Item 8.2 – Sales of Cars @ Burma Rd. Site – R Marshall (NSDC) – will write shortly .

- School Field Gate –Cllr P Merry has locked gate with new key / chain & Clerk advised School Head .

- 4.1. Approval of Schedule of Accounts Re September 2014 Net Total £7,098.70 – **Proposed by Cllr P Merry & Seconded by Cllr Mrs C Dabbs & Unanimously Approved .**

- 4.2. Approval of Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30 September 2014 – **Noted**

- 4.3 Quarterly Financial Statement – **4.3(1) – Summary of Expend .& Income to 30.09.14 .-**

- 4.3(2)Analysis of Monthly Expend . – 4.3(3) Analysis of Income to 30.09.14. & 4.3(4)

- Analysis of Misc Expend . Overall , A short discussion then took place re estimated future payments/receipts , then Clerk estimated , in his opinion , both Expend. & Income Totals for 2014.15 to be £90k .

5 . Public Participation Period - None

Chair then Proposed & it was agreed that Item 8.1 be discussed now .

8.1 Blidworth Play Areas - Both Phil Beard , Parks Manager @ NSDC & Karen Tarburton from RCAN Rural Officer for N.Notts) introduced themselves , both have lots experience Re the above .

PB – recently visited our Parks , seen the Annual Inspection Reports & his comments were :- **Marriott Lane – equipment coming to end of life , no risky items , needs improving .**

Leis. Centre Play Area: fulfils need , steel equipment , well used , everyday Play Areas.

Sherwood Ave. Play Area – for teenagers , has skatepark equipment & MUGA , facilities would be welcomed by other villages .

He concluded saying – with the right Bid & help , we could obtain Grants , & would get involved . Overall , lovely sites , opportunities now .

KT – helps Parish Councils , & has been involved with new Play Areas @ Farndon scheme (£90 k) , & Collingham Scheme (£150 k) .

Successful Parish Council Applications need good consultation documents , speak with youngster @ schools , youth clubs , on street , at events , & get them to sit with you & complete forms . Deal with manufacturers for advice .

There are possibly 3 or 4 funding steams + youngsters can help raise funds .

Advises must manage expectations , cannot have it all . Phase large projects . Elkesley Village had a £235k Scheme phased at £50k each time .

Various Members then put questions to both of them :-

Funding for new or upgrading – both

Most authorities do site management – we can also help with Contractor etc , limited input by Local Authority .

If BPC has to put money in when/how do we budget for it – Apply now .

Do we qualify for Landfill Grant – Yes

If staged would need an overall plan over the years which manufacturers could come up with – within our remit we would decide on rolling programme & then in control of manufacturers .

What about Footpaths ,Lighting ,Fencing etc – Depends on what comes out of Consultation .

Agreed that a Meeting with PB & KT be arranged as soon as possible .

6. Planning - Cllr G Merry advised that he may speak Re items below but not vote.

Chair advised that a vote of thanks be given to Cllr B Evans for all his work Re Planning Inspections – Agreed Chair , Vice Chair & Cllr M Gammon act in future .

6.1 Planning Application : Application number : 14/01660/FUL : Location : 4 Top Road :

Proposal : replacement dwelling- **OBJECT , Cllrs not sufficiently qualified re this application , all Cllrs & District Cllr G Merry requested a Planning Inspection.**

6.2 Notice of Decision : Application Number : 14/01394 : Location : 6 Dale Lane : Proposal : construct a block of 4 terraced 2 storey 3 bed dwellings with parking – **NOTED**

6.3 A Adams (NSDC) Re “ Sandon “ , New Lane , requires full Planning Permission - NOTED

Late Item 6.4 Notice of Decision Re 4 Forest View : NOTED

Late Item 6.5 Planning Application : Application Number : 14/01759/FUL : Location : Units 5 & 6 Gilbert Way : Proposal : change of use from B2 General Industry to D2 Assembly & Leisure, for use as a Crossfit Facility , type of Gym . AGREED (5 For & 2 Abstained)

7. County Councillor/ District Councillors

7.1 . County & District Councillor Mrs Y Woodhead – not present .

7.2. District Councillor Cllr G Merry – Chair advised that he texted both Cllrs YW & GM regarding gypsies on Jolly Friar site , have now gone & left site in a mess , but has heard nothing from Cllr YW , & a copy of email from Cllr GM to J Hutchinson (NSDC) .

Cllr G Merry advised that gypsies have now gone .

Cross Lane appears to have been widened for turbine traffic . When does proposed 40mph limit start for Blidworth Lane . Clerk to contact Jo Horton NCC .

Cllr GM was approached earlier Re order of wreath laying on Remembrance Day . Chair stated there is a strict protocol order : Queen , etc , etc . Chair suggested could go before Scouts , Guides etc – AGREED . Chair stated he would ask if Jenny Cutts could follow Parish Council laying wreath before Scouts etc . There was no Proposal or Secunder for this .

8 . General Parish Affairs

8.1 . Phil Beard NSDC Re Blidworth Play Areas – SEE PAGE 2

8.2 Update Re Bloom – not planting up yet at Leisure Centre & Fire Station , will top up soon .

8.4 . Update Re Xmas 2014 Lights – Clerk advised that query raised by NCC Lighting Technician has been agreed resolved , should now receive agreement .

8.5 Remembrance Service 9 Nov. 2014 . (For Noting Only)

8.6 Highways / Road Safety / Footpaths – Cllr Mrs S Harvey reported 3 streetlights out on Main Street as well as the Interactive Speed Sign & Cllr G Merry reported Re Haywood Oaks Lane , second on right after drive – Clerk to report same .

8.7 NCC Supporting Local Communities Fund Application Form – Cllr G Merry advised that areas on Haywood Oaks Lane could resolve the parking we have . Chair suggested we invite Matt Duckworth (NCC Highways) to come & advise . Agreed Unanimously .

8.8 Update Re Memorial Planter – Cllr Mrs C Dabbs advised that there is a delay in buying suitable stone but everything else is progressing well .

8.9 NSDC Re Items to be considered @ Planning C'ttee. 7 Oct. 14.- Noted (Item 12 is 4 Forest View).

8.10 Parish Meeting start / finish times – Clerk advised of discussion with Andy Carolan where he agreed we could start the presentation of Bloom Awards @ 7.15pm , he also said we move the start of our monthly meetings from 7.30 to 7.15 if we wanted which he guaranteed would last for a year at least . However , it was Agreed to start at 7.30pm in future , & finish no later than 10pm .

9. CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Sam's Workplace – request for support . They have 3 small allotments in Blidworth & a retail outlet in Rainworth & want to help young adults with learning difficulties by having a base in both villages – Members agreed we send them a copy of NCC Supporting Local Communities Fund

9.2 Tippings Wood - Noted

9.3 Age UK Booklet Noted

Late Item 9.4 Notts Minerals Local Plan – Noted

10 . Emails (For Noting Only)

10.1 PDP Compliance News 23.09.14

10.2 PDP Compliance News 30.09.14.

10.3 PDP Compliance News 02.10.14

10.4 PDP Compliance News 07.10.14

10.5 F.O.I.News 25.09.14.

10.6 F.O.I. News 08.10.14

The Chair will then propose & Members agree that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (Future Recreation / Play Provision in Blidworth) , it is in the public interest that the Press & Public be temporarily excluded & they are instructed to withdraw .

Meeting closed @ 9.35pm