



MINUTES OF THE BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held at 7.30p.m. on Thursday 21st March 2019 at
Blidworth Leisure Centre, Belle Vue Lane, Blidworth, NG21 0RD

Present: Councillors: W Bates (Jnr)(Chair), J Cheesmond (Vice Chair) J Middleton,
M Atherton, C.Dabbs, LJ Campbell, K Arnold, Y.Woodhead,
& J. Bradbury
Acting Clerk: L.Holland

In attendance: 1 member of the public

19/115 Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda

Cllr. K.Arnold & Y.Woodhead re Planning items (as per signed sheet).

19/116 Apologies for absence given to the Clerk – acceptance and approval

Councillors S.Mottishaw & W Bates (Snr).
These were accepted and approved.

19/117 Approval of Minutes of the meeting on Minutes of the meeting on 17th January 2019 & 28th February 2019 Refer to Appendices 1. It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meetings held 17th January & 28th February 2019 be accepted as a true and accurate record subject to following amendments:

- No members of public present.
- Item 106 2 Councilors signatures on agenda “That the Clerk had acted in Good Faith when publishing a notice of request for a special meeting”
Recorded vote: For amendment CD;LJC;JB;BB(Jnr.);YW;KA;MA
Against amendment JC;JM

Cllr. JC also queried fact that extract from Charles Arnold Baker attached to end of minutes refers to Yellow Edition yet Clerk referred to 10th Edition in email sent directly to him. Cllr. JC reported that another edition had been published in 2018. Clerk confirmed that Blidworth Parish Council’s Office copy was the 10th Yellow Edition & had a bright yellow cover & legislation was still in place.

Item 108.1 Update on Workshop/Machinery working party

Cllr. JC confirmed that “Noting offer was not signed by JC but a family member” should be amended to read signatory was also a “Director of the Company”.

Cllr. JC also raised why no declaration of interest declared had been recorded.

19/118 To note – Updates on matters arising from the minutes if not already on the Agenda
(no decisions can be made)

Nothing to report.

19/119 To receive Representations

119.1 Public Participation

- Parking problem outside school – cars parking fully on pavement. Agreed report to Police.
- Burma Road Industrial Estate – bottom end dirty, untidy with overhanging bushes etc. generally unsightly. General consensus Blidworth’s image tarnished when visitors attend Industrial Estate. Agreed to write to N & S D

C. Cllr. BB (Jnr.) declared an interest as he owns land within Industrial Estate area.

119.2 Reports from District and County Council Representatives on Matters of direct relevance to Blidworth Parishioners

- **Cllr. Y.Woodhead** – Not a lot to report due to awaiting results of Brexit debacle. Cllr. JC requested update from YW re meeting with John Robinson CEO N & S D C on 23rd November 2018. YW confirmed that at the site visit Blidworth's "grot spots" had been pointed out and this led to the general "clean-up" which was held. Generally it was an opportunity for JR to familiarise himself with the village.
- **Cllr. K.Arnold** – generally pretty quiet but CEO was working very closely with various groups.

19/120 Business

120.1 To Update - Working Party – Workshop/Machinery - to consider offers on triple mower.

2 offers received for Hayter triple mower £400 & £600.

Approved unanimously to accept offer of £600.

120.2 To agree a date for Community Events Working Group

Agreed to wait until after elections.

120.3 To consider "Bloom"

Cllr. M.Atherton confirmed he was requesting sponsorship from around the village for the surplus planters.

- Areas of concern around the village in relation to being able to enter EMiBloom competition.
- N & S D C shrubs require cutting back.
- Tesco – parking/shrubbery area requires addressing. Cllr. MA dealing with Tesco.
- Leisure Centre area – large noticeboard & sign in flowerbed.
- Tree near Bookies requires removing.
- Mansfield Road shrubs behind bus shelter.
- Leaves require clearing from gutters at edge of road. Gulley cleaner to be requested.
- Cllr. YW confirmed that large planters were N & S D C.
- Chairman confirmed that Leisure Centre had removed Circus posters.
- **Approved entry to EMiBloom competition.** Clerk passed the application pack to Cllr. MA for completion & submitting.
- Cllr. CD;MA;YW to provide list of flora/fauna necessary to promote the idea of winning the competition. List to be broken down into urgent needs and non urgent requirements.

120.4 To discuss signs in front of the gym within the memorial area.

Older Photos of pit wheels were presented & a brief explanation as to how the memorial area developed over time. Unfortunately it requires further remedial work and it was felt more respect should be shown towards the memorial wheels. District Councillors would take up the matter with John Robinson CEO at N & S D C. Cllr. YW confirmed that in previous discussions with JR it had been suggested that the existing large Leisure Centre signage would be resited but this is yet to be done. Cllr. YW to take the photos showing original area & current situation into N & S D C and discuss with JR. Cllr. YW gave assurance that some of the S106 monies was still unspent. Clerk to request update from CEO JR.

- 120.5 To discuss War Memorial matters.
Cllr. C.Dabbs reported a donation of £100 had been left in a will by a resident.
Agreed Cllr. CD to provide costings for ideas in relation to this matter.
- 120.6 Website Update – feedback from Councillors
Defer to next meeting.
- 120.7 To note receipt of Stakeholder Updates from Inspector Heather Sutton.
Noted.
- 120.8 To Review – Assets in Council Ownership – removal & additional items
Following previous agenda item to agree sale of Hayter triple mower this requires removing from list of assets at year end.
- 120.9 To discuss highways, road safety & footpath issues.
VIA road closure reports:
Road closure 10th April 08:00 to 11th April 17:00
Cross Lane jct. New Lane to jct. Ricket Lane
VIA had provided report that there had been 3 accidents on Three Thorn Hollow between 2015 & 2018. Agreed request reports for Main Street, Warsop Lane & Mansfield Road.
VIAEM Public Paths on Arable Land
Councillors raised the following:
- Noted Dale Lane potholes had been marked.
 - Jitty had been cleared by handyman.
 - Grass verges being damaged by vehicles.
 - Fly tipping – New Lane. Suggested “No tipping” signs required. Contact N & S D C requesting CCTV
 - Bull piece – general party rubbish (cans etc.)
 - More litter bins required agreed to purchase 5 more.
 - Standing water after Haywood Oaks Farm towards Oxton (entrance to Forestry Commission)
- 120.10 To consider letter from Nottswatch re an ex resident.
Brief discussion and the letter was noted but unfortunately Blidworth Parish Council were not aware as to who was currently running the group if anyone.

19/121 Clerks Report

121.1 Parishioner comments and issues in the Village

- Cllr. MA reported a drugs raid in the village & he had reported incidents to the local Police/Beat bobbies.

19/122 Planning Applications

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

- Nothing to report.

N & S D C Decisions:

- Nothing to report.

19/123 Financial Matters (yellow Papers)

To receive and approve accounts and financial information:

123.1 Analysis of Expenditure – February figures presented. (Appendix 2)

123.2 Analysis of Income – February figures presented. (Appendix 3)

123.3 Bank reconciliation – 28th February presented. (Appendix 4) & Chairman initialed bank statements

123.4 To authorise schedule of Payments for March 2019 . (Appendix 5)

Payments to the value of £5,327.84 were approved

123.5 Update on banking situation

Clerk confirmed that one of the NATWEST Reserve Accounts had been closed and funds transferred to Unity Trust Bank; £50k had been transferred back to the remaining NATWEST account which was still open.

Clerk had submitted a formal complaint to NATWEST re their actions whilst trying to close the account & £100 compensation given.

Clerk had since submitted a second complaint due to receiving conflicting instructions on how to deal with the account and sheer incompetence of NATWEST Staff.

It was **resolved to accept and approve** the financial information as per items 123.1 – 123.5 and to authorise the schedule of payments

19/124 To note – Correspondence received

- Amended Core Strategy Development Plan
- N & S D C Dog bin emptying contract

19/125 To note – The date of the next Parish Council Meeting

- **18th April 2019**

Meeting ended 21.25