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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Blidworth Parish Council held at Blidworth Leisure Centre, Belle Vue Lane, Blidworth, NG21 0RD on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors: J Cheesmond (Chair) J Middleton, K Arnold,  
Y Woodhead, W Bates, LJ Campbell, C Dabbs, M Riggs,  
N Spalding, P Merry  
Clerk: C Brettell

In attendance: 1 member of the public and 1 representative From the Police -  
PC Rachel Dowsett

**Action by**

**20/055 To receive - Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda**  
Cllrs Arnold, Woodhead, Bates, Campbell and Spalding declared an interest in 20/62.4

**20/056 To receive - Apologies for absence given to the Clerk**  
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M Atherton

**20/057 To receive and approve – Minutes of the meetings of 19<sup>th</sup> September 2019**  
(Appendix 1)  
It was **resolved** that minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2019 be accepted as a true and accurate record.  
Cllr Bates queried the Apologies procedure. The Clerk to look into. **Clerk**

**20/058 To note – updates on matters arising from the minutes if not already on the Agenda**  
(no decisions can be made)

The Clerk updated members that all actions had been taken. She drew Councillors attention to: 20/048.1 – No response had been received and the Clerk would act as authorised to get the work carried out and invoice the house owner. **Clerk**

20/50.8 – Tesco had responded confirming that the Parish could make use of the flowerbed. **Cllr Atherton/Cllr Dabbs**

**20/059 To receive Representations**  
59.1 Report/information from Community Police  
PC Rachel Dowsett addressed the Council and informed members of events in the Village, mainly being vehicle thefts, anti-social behaviour and drugs. Councillors expressed their concerns and fly-tipping was raised in relation to catching the culprits. Rachel also said she would target areas in

the Village for speeding. She also agreed to meet with the chair to have a tour of the Village and hotspots could be highlighted

59.2 Public Participation

A parishioner brought to the Councils attention the state of both Belle Vue Lane and Burma Road in relation to being overgrown. The Clerk already had these matters in hand but the District Councillor YW also said she would take these matters up with Newark and Sherwood District Council.

**Clerk & Cllr Woodhead**

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

Cllr Woodhead had nothing of relevance to report.

Cllr Arnold said that Environmental Protection was at the forefront.

Cllr Campbell informed members that she had knowledge of a free tree scheme for residents in the area run by Newark and Sherwood District Council.

**20/060 To receive – Clerk’s Report**

60.1 Parishioner comments and issues in the village

The Clerk informed members that the handyman had been addressing the issues identified at the September meeting. The grit bins were all topped up and the new winter grit had been ordered. There was also a (long standing) issue with the drains on Mansfield road flooding especially near the junction with Tesco. The Clerk has informed VIA and asked if Cllr Woodhead could also look into this as she had previously.

**Clerk & Cllr Woodhead**

**20/061 Planning Applications**

**The following applications have been granted consent:**

915/01330/FUL The Major Oak Clothing Company – Demolition of existing factory shop and erection of 6 dwellings and all associated works  
**Granted full planning permission Noted**

19/01437/FUL Installation of a 199kw Biomass boiler within an existing building (retrospective) Haywood Oaks Farm, Haywood Oaks Lane, Blidworth  
**Granted full planning permission Noted**

**To note - Newark and Sherwood District Council – Amended Core Strategy – Plan Review**

Hard copy available to view in Parish Office or available on-line **Noted**

**20/062 Business**

62.1 To Update - Remembrance Service

The Clerk updated members about Remembrance. Everything is organised as per previous years. More volunteers are needed for the Road Closure points and anyone that could oblige to contact the Clerk

62.2 To Confirm - Members of Committees and change as appropriate to working party’s

It was **resolved** to change all committees to Working party’s. The Clerk confirmed members involved in which group as follows:

<b>Working Party</b>	<b>Members</b>
Summer/Christmas Events	Cllr Arnold Cllr Atherton Cllr Dabbs Cllr Spalding Cllr Merry
Pensioner's Party	Cllr Atherton Cllr Dabbs Cllr Middleton Cllr Spalding Mrs M Cheesmond
Bloom	Cllr Atherton Cllr Dabbs
Parks, Open Spaces Footpaths Conservation	Cllr Atherton Cllr Bates Cllr Middleton Cllr Riggs
Workshop	Cllr Atherton Cllr Middleton
Website/Social Media	Cllr Campbell
Library	Cllr Arnold Cllr Atherton Cllr Campbell Cllr Cheesmond Cllr Dabbs Cllr Middleton Cllr Riggs Cllr Spalding
Community-led Plan	Cllr Atherton Cllr Cheesmond Cllr Riggs
Allotment Inspection Team	Cllr Atherton Cllr Cheesmond Cllr Middleton
HR/Employment	Chairman Vice Chairman
War Memorial	Cllr Atherton Cllr Dabbs Bob Dabbs
Finance	Cllr Atherton Cllr Cheesmond
Planning	All Councillors
Emergency Plan	Cllr Campbell Cllr Woodhead
Youth Council/Forum	Cllr Spalding Youth Representatives

### 62.3 To Confirm – Parish Council Publicity

Cllr Riggs to write an article for the Sherwood Newsletter each month. Cllr Campbell and Cllr Merry to look at facebook and keeping the village informed of events.

62.4 To Discuss – Contribution to Blidworth Welfare Firework Events  
Cllrs Bates, Woodhead, Spalding, Campbell and Arnold remained in the room and abstained from the conversation.

It was **resolved** to donate £500 towards the cost of the Fireworks on the provision that no charge was made to the public attending, that our donation would be publicised and that Insurance and Health and Safety would be confirmed. The Clerk to confirm this before release of the money.

62.5 To Update – Councillor details and contact information

The clerk circulated Councillor contact details and asked Members to confirm what they would like publishing. Cllrs Dabbs, Woodhead and Campbell did not wish to have their telephone numbers published.

The clerk checked members were receiving emails to their Blidworth Parish Council address, anyone struggling with this to contact the Clerk.

62.6 To Update – Blidworth Library

The Clerk circulated to members the agreement from Inspire and the Chair updated members that following a meeting on the 10th October Inspire had agreed to lower the occupancy fee for the office by £900 over the 3 year term. The Chair reminded members that going ahead had been agreed at the previous meeting but it was requested that a recorded vote be taken to proceed:

**For:** Cllr Cheesmond, Riggs, Spalding, Campbell, Middleton, Merry, Dabbs

**Against:** Cllrs Arnold and Bates

**Abstention:** Cllr Woodhead

It was **resolved** to accept the terms and conditions drawn up by inspire and to keep the current Parish Office for storage.

62.7 To Discuss – Blidworth Clean-up day

The Clerk informed members that a 'Clean-up day' had been arranged for Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November, starting at Tesco. Equipment had been sought from Newark and Sherwood District Council. Anyone available to help, please turn up on the day.

62.8 To Discuss – Village Maintenance and handyman provision

It was requested that the Clerk bring figures showing the costing for both the handyman and Contractor. The Council could then examine and look at viable options.

**Clerk**

62.9 To Discuss – Development of Sherwood Park

Discussion took place over the ideas that the Council have for developing this area. The Chair informed members that he had taken Andy Hardy from Newark and Sherwood District Council to see the site along with Cllr Middleton. Grants were possibly available.

It was agreed for the Clerk to arrange a meeting/contact with CISWO to see what the initial options are.

**Clerk**

62.10 To Discuss – Possibility of Memorial bench at Marriott Lane Park

It was agreed to ask the proposer to write into the Council detailing what he wished to do for consideration by Councillors.

62.11 To Update – Youth Forum

Cllr Spalding updated members and is waiting to attend Ollerton and Boughtons Town Council Youth Group to see how things run.

62.12 To Accept - minutes from Events Committee meeting held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October and update accordingly (to follow)

The minutes of the Events Committee were accepted as a true record and ratified by Full council.

The Clerk drew to members attention that since the meeting on Monday, the caterers were not responding to messages and the lady concerned was not available until the 7<sup>th</sup> November to confirm menus etc. Under these

circumstances the Clerk had sought alternative options which were put the Council.

It was **resolved** to use 'Summerbys Catering' with a mobile carvery, having two courses, tea and coffee for £11 per head. The Clerk to arrange. **Clerk**

62.13 To Discuss – Letter from the British Legion regarding help with event (Appendix 2)

It was agreed for the Clerk to ask what contribution Rainworth Parish Council are making and to defer this until the next meeting. **Clerk**

62.14 To Adopt – Health and Safety Policy (Appendix 3)

It was **resolved** to adopt the Health and Safety Policy.

62.15 To Discuss – Parish Office Communication

This item to be deferred until next meeting

### **20/063 Financial Matters**

63.1 Analysis of Payments – September 2019 (Appendix 4)

63.2 Analysis of Receipts – September 2019 (Appendix 5)

63.3 Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019 (Appendix 6)

63.4 To authorise schedule of payments for October 2019 (Appendix 7)

It was **resolved** to accept and approve the financial information as per items 63.1 – 63.4 and to authorise the schedule of payments

63.5 To remove Locum Clerk from Unity Bank access

It was **resolved** to remove the Locum Clerk (Alice Dunn) from the Unity Bank Account authority. **Clerk**

### **20/064 To note – Correspondence received**

All relevant correspondence sent out via email

### **20/065 Exclusion of Public (Confidential Items)**

*In accordance with Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 section 1(2) the Council exclude the public and press from the meeting by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.*

**Nothing to be discussed.**

### **20/066 To Note – The date of the next Parish Council Meeting – 21<sup>st</sup> November 2019**

The meeting closed at 9.29pm