



**MINUTES OF THE BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held at Blidworth Library, New Lane, Blidworth, Notts, NG21 0PW
on Thursday 22nd July 2021 commencing at 7.00pm**

Present: Councillors: W Bates (Chair), C Dabbs, J Rea, N Spalding, E Litchfield,
Apologies: LJ Campbell, K Arnold, N Rhodes
Clerk: C Brettell
Members of the Public: 0

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It was agreed by all to add planning application 21/01581/HOUSE to the Agenda

21/17 To receive - Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda
None

21/18 To receive - Apologies for absence given to the Clerk
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Campbell due to work commitments, Cllr Rhodes and Cllr Arnold due to illness.

21/19 To receive and approve – Minutes of the Annual Parish Council meeting held on 6th May 2021 (Appendix 1)
It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 6th May 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

21/20 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 Cllr Dabbs had been omitted from the list of members on the Comms/Marketing/Events/Engagement/Youth Forum Working Party.
Alternative more substantial litter bins were to be sourced (21/11.4)

21/21 To receive Representations (no more than 5 minutes)
21.1 Public Participation including Pandemic Update
Nothing to report. Gilly Hagen had informed the Clerk that she would be able to email in an update to be circulated.
21.2 Reports from District and County Council Representatives on Matters of a direct relevance to Blidworth Parishioners
Nothing to report from District other than things were starting to get back to normal.
Cllr T Smith had sent his apologies and hoped to attend the next Parish Council meeting.
The Chair updated members on the meeting he and the Clerk had had with Cllr Smith to look at the Warsop Lane/Mansfield Road junction and associated issues and also Belle Vue Lane/Haywood Avenue in regard to Road safety and the possibility of a pedestrian crossing.

21/22 To Discuss/Update on Highway Issues in the Village
The Clerk updated members with the issues that had been reported, many of these had been discussed with Cllr Smith to see if solutions could be found.

21/23 Business

- 23.1 To Update/Agree – Sherwood Avenue Recreational ground including quotation to cut back grassed area and football pitch feasibility.
The Clerk provide an update regarding the Open Spaces Committee members that had met with residents informally to discuss plans and get input from residents. It had been suggested that the bottom corner of the field be used to site the gym equipment. The Clerk had received a quotation from LPS Supplies (Contractor agreed to flail hedge in September) for £200 to cut the grass/scrubland back in this area. Following this, Caloo would evaluate the area to assess its suitability for the gym equipment.

It was **resolved** for LPS Supplies to carry out this work as quoted. **Clerk**

Discussion took place regarding the 'Feasibility report'.

It was **resolved** not to proceed with the Feasibility report but to ask local teams to help establish pitch size and advise on maintaining the area.

The Clerk updated members regarding the CCTV and had spoken to Vault Vision, who had supplied similar systems to Parish Councils. They would be happy to discuss further. To be discussed with the Open Spaces Committee or at a later Parish Council meeting.

- 23.2 To Agree – setting up of Facebook Page for Blidworth Parish Council

It was **resolved** to set up a Blidworth Parish Council Facebook page to be used as a Parish notice board. Cllr Litchfield to set this up as information only. It would be strictly controlled by the admin users, and would be for promoting information which would usually be advertised on the Parish Noticeboard. **Clerk & Cllr Litchfield**

- 23.3 To Update – Comms/Marketing/Youth Forum & Events Working Party including planned Autumn Gala (19th September)

Cllr Litchfield updated members with the activities planned at the new date for the Gala of the 19th September 2021 from the Working Party meeting.

It was **resolved** for the Autumn Gala to go ahead on the 19th September with the activities as discussed by the Working Party, subject to any new Government guidance. The budget in place being £600.

It was further **resolved** for Jason Litchfield to be a non Council member of the Working Party.

This Agenda item was moved up to discuss in conjunction with the Gala.

- 23.13 To Note – Thompsons Fair at Sherwood Avenue Playing field
Discussion took place regarding use of the field at Sherwood Avenue playing field, they wanted to have the site on the 13th – 20th although resolved at the Parish Council meeting on the 18th March (21/97.6) further information had now come to light including the dates which now coincided with Blidworth Autumn Gala.

It was **resolved** to not allow Thompsons Fair to use the Sherwood Avenue on the grounds of dates, use of the field by local football groups, and the increased use of Sherwood Avenue Park during the ongoing pandemic. **Clerk**

23.4 To Discuss – Painting of Mural board at Belle Vue Lane Play Area

The Clerk was still awaiting a fitting date of the mural board from Rainworth Fencing. The Clerk updated members regarding involvement with the School, Youth Forum and the Art club to paint the area. This would hopefully be arranged for September. **Clerk**

23.5 To Discuss/Agree email from VIA regarding trees and removal of festive Lights.

The Clerk had not received a response to her email dated 24th May 2021. The Clerk to arrange a meeting with AW Ward and the Chair to discuss the Planning for the Christmas lights. **Clerk**

23.6 To Discuss – Rockings area on corner of Dale Lane

The Clerk updated members regarding the contractors invited to quote for replacing the decking and the quotations received from Mr Hill. Cllr Dabbs offered to look into this with a local joiner and Cllr Litchfield offered to look into the purchasing of composite board. Further quotations to be brought to the next meeting. **Cllr Dabbs/Litchfield**

23.7 To Agree – Purchase of Park Signs (Appendix 2)

It was **resolved** to purchase the sign for Sherwood Avenue Park, but subject to more resident friendly wording, based on the sign put together by the Clerk. The contractor to be OffScreen and to supply and fix the sign as quoted at a cost of £325.00 + VAT.

23.8 To Discuss – 100 Year Anniversary of the ‘Rockings Baby’ (6th February 2022)

Several groups in the village were working towards this celebration, which Parish Councillors agreed to be part of, including help with closing the road for the parade. The Clerk to discuss with Rev Burton and bring back to a future Parish Council meeting. The Events Working party to look at this too. **Clerk**

23.9 To Update – Neighbourhood Plan

Nothing further to report at the moment.

23.10 To Discuss/Agree – Funding request from the Social Action Hub for the Summer Playscheme (Appendix 3)

It was **resolved** to donate £450 to the Social Action Hub as per their letter. **Clerk**

23.11 To Discuss/Agree – Additional cost of storage for Parish Councillor email accounts or move to Office 365.

Both options were considered and discussed by members.

It was **resolved** to have the additional storage at a cost of £120 for an additional 10GB of storage. **Clerk**

23.12 To Note – Financial Risk Assessment (Appendix 4)

It was **resolved** to accept the Financial Risk Assessment.

21/24 Financial Matters

To receive and approve accounts and financial information:

24.1 Analysis of Payments – April/May/June 2021 (Appendix 5)

24.2 Analysis of Receipts – April/May/June 2021 (Appendix 6)

24.3 Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 30th April/31st May/30th June 2021 (Appendix 7)

24.4 To Authorise schedule of payments for July and June (retrospectively) 2021 (Appendix 8)

The Chair checked the paperwork against the Bank Statement to ensure correctness.

It was **resolved** to accept and approve the financial information as per items 24.1 – 24.3 that had been submitted to members and to authorise the schedule of payments (24.4). The payments for August would be emailed out to Councillors and then authorised retrospectively at the next meeting.

It was agreed for the Clerk to continue paying for the monthly Zoom subscription.

21/25 Planning Applications

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

Proposal:	Change of use of land for siting of 5 glamping pods with associated infrastructure including footpaths, lighting, access and car parking
Site Address:	Land Lying North Of Calverton Road Blidworth
Planning Application Ref:	21/01354/FUL

It was **resolved** to respond stating ‘No Objections’

Proposal:	Erection of one bedroom, two storey dwelling
Site Address:	24 Lyndhurst Avenue Blidworth NG21 0RJ
Planning Application Ref:	21/01251/FUL

It was **resolved** to respond stating ‘No Objections’

Proposal:	Re-render farmhouse with lime render and lime wash finish
Site Address:	Haywood Oaks Farmhouse Haywood Oaks Lane Blidworth NG21 0PE
Planning Application Ref:	21/01396/LBC

It was **resolved** to respond stating ‘No Objections’

Proposal:	Change of use of agricultural land to use as a dog day care/training facility with associated parking area
Site Address:	Land Off Blidworth Lane Blidworth
Planning Application Ref:	21/01289/FULM

It was **resolved** to object to this application on the grounds of road safety. Operating a business from this location will cause additional traffic on what is already a very busy road.

Proposal:	Variation of condition 2 attached to planning permission 20/00475/FULM to replace the house types listed to Gleeson Homes new Rural 21 range.
Site Address:	Land At New Lane Blidworth
Planning Application Ref:	21/01502/S73M

It was **resolved** to respond stating 'No Objections' to this application, on the grounds that it appears to be a stylistic change with no change to size or number of dwellings.

Proposal:	Single-Storey Rear Extension and Alterations (Resubmission: 20/01725/HOUSE)
Site Address:	James Prior House 2 Main Street Blidworth NG21 0PZ
Planning Application Ref:	21/01581/HOUSE

It was **resolved** to respond stating 'No Objections'

Planning Decisions

The following Planning decisions have been made (full details emailed out to Councillors):

Proposal:	Rear single-storey extension with a pitched roof, and roof lights.
Site Address:	6 Dale Lane Blidworth NG21 0TG
Planning Application Ref:	21/01233/HOUSE
Outcome:	Grant Householder Application

Noted

- 21/26 To note – Correspondence received**
All relevant correspondence sent out via email
- 21/27 To Note – The date of the next Parish Council Meeting - 16th September 2021**
- 21/28 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.

Meeting closed 9.20pm