



**MINUTES OF THE BLIDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held at Blidworth Library, New Lane, Blidworth, Notts, NG21 0PW  
on Thursday 17th February 2022 commencing at 7.00pm**

Present: Councillors: W Bates, C Dabbs, J Rea, E Litchfield, M Atherton, N Spalding, H O'Hare  
Apologies: N Rhodes  
Clerk: C Brettell  
Members of the Public: 3

Abbreviations: NCC – Nottinghamshire County Council  
NSDC – Newark and Sherwood District Council

**Action by**

**22/91 To receive - Declaration of interests both pecuniary and non-pecuniary and applications for dispensation on items listed on the agenda**  
Cllr Bates declared an interest in 22/99 – Planning Decision to be noted.

**22/92 To receive - Apologies for absence given to the Clerk**  
Apologies were received and noted from Cllr N Rhodes.

**22/93 To receive and approve – Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 (Appendix 1)**

It was **resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2022 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

**22/94 To note – updates on matters arising from the minutes if not already on the Agenda (no decisions can be made)**  
Nothing to report

**22/95 To receive Representations (no more than 5 minutes)**

95.1 Public Participation

A resident commented on how good the Village is looking, and was pleased that the work to cut back the vegetation on Belle Vue Lane had been carried out. The new yellow lines on the corner of New Lane were also commented on and the parking bays outside the shops which were always full, with vehicles parked for long periods.

Discussion took place with the resident regarding agenda item 22/97.2 – the fundraising had surpassed expectation. The resident described the lectern to be erected and circulated a list of the names to be inscribed.

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

The Clerk had circulated an update from NCC Cllr T Smith via email as he had sent his apologies.

Cllr Thompson (DC) had also sent apologies.

**22/96 To Discuss/Update on Highway Issues in the Village (if not already covered in District and County Council reports)**

The yellow lines and parking issues were discussed in further detail. The Parish Council agreed that a consultation was needed to establish the needs of businesses and residents

with emphasis on parking. This to be an agenda item for the next meeting and to include input from Cllr Smith and Cllr Thompson. **NCC Cllr Smith and NSDC Cllr Thompson**

Other issues raised were the resurfacing on Dale Lane that appears unsatisfactory, and the safety of horse riders and cyclists using Haywood Oaks Lane. These to be addressed with Cllr Smith. **Clerk/NCC Cllr Smith**

The lighting at the pedestrian crossing on Dale Lane (near Tesco) is poor. The Clerk to report. **Clerk**

## **22/97 Business**

97.1 Co-option of Parish Councillor (Appendix 2 – please treat as confidential)

It was **resolved** to co-opt Helen O'Hare as Parish Councillor.  
The declaration of acceptance of Office was duly signed.

97.2 To agree – Siting of the Pit Memorial Lectern, and entering into an agreement with Newark and Sherwood District Council for use of their land, including provision for insurance and ongoing maintenance

It was **resolved** for Blidworth Parish Council to apply to Newark and Sherwood District Council for an agreement/licence to be drawn up to occupy the land where the lectern is to be erected (to the left in front of the pit wheels). Maintenance and Insurance to be agreed at a later date. It was agreed to ask NSDC Cllr Thompson for support with this. **Clerk**  
A pre-planning application for the siting of the lectern to be carried out by the resident.

97.3 To update – Works regarding Sherwood Avenue Recreational Ground including siting of the Outdoor Gym Equipment

The Clerk updated members regarding discussion with the Forestry Commission and the need for a licence to be in place for the two entry/access points with the adjoining Forestry Commission land. Planning permission was to be submitted next week for the CCTV column and the fencing, there had been a delay as further information had been required. A meeting had been held with residents in half term week to discuss the plans going forward and to ensure they were consulted and updated on progress.

It was **resolved** to agree to the plans drawn up by Calloo to site to Outdoor Gym equipment in the far top corner of the field as per the drawings emailed out to Councillors. Clerk to arrange and inform residents. **Clerk**

97.4 To agree – Contractor for Sherwood Avenue Fencing (Appendix 3)

The quotations received were discussed. These had all been received via email, due to Covid restrictions as agreed at the November meeting when the Tender document had been agreed. Following discussions with residents at the meeting as discussed in 97.3, it was felt that fencing was not required to the boundaries adjacent to the houses.

It was **resolved** to narrow down the process and look in further detail at the quotations received from: Secure-a-field Ltd and First Fence Ltd.  
The Clerk to request each Company to provide a full breakdown of cost now excluding the area near to the houses, including the specification for entry and exit points and request 3 references from each. **Clerk**

97.5 To discuss – Roadway into the Dale Lane Allotments and occurring potholes  
The Clerk updated members regarding the driveway into the allotment site.

It was **resolved** for the Clerk to obtain quotations to level/fill as necessary and make provision for possible drainage to the entrance near the gate.

**Clerk**

97.6 To agree – Parish Grant Applications (Appendix 4)

It was **resolved** to award a Parish grant of £200 to:  
Men in Sheds, Ransom Wood  
Blidworth Historical Society – for the Rockings Centenary celebration

97.7 To agree – Purchase of new Printer/copier

It was **resolved** for the Clerk to purchase a new Printer/copier up to the value of £500.

**Clerk**

97.8 To agree – Insurance renewal for Toro Mower

It was **resolved** to renew the insurance for the Toro mower at a cost of £126.45. All paperwork circulated to Councillors.

**Clerk**

## **22/98 Financial Matters**

To receive and approve accounts and financial information:

98.1 Analysis of Payments – January 2022 (Appendix 5)

98.2 Analysis of Receipts – January 2022 (Appendix 6)

98.3 Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022 (Appendix 7)

98.4 To Authorise schedule of payments for February 2022  
(Appendix 8)

The Chair checked the bank reconciliation figures with the bank statements.

It was **resolved** to accept and approve the financial information as per items 98.1 – 98.3 that had been submitted to members and to authorise the schedule of payments (98.4) to also include the Parish Grants agreed, AcrisOils £229.81 and the Toro Insurance £126.34.

98.5 To remove Cllr Campbell from Unity Trust bank authority

It was **resolved** to remove Cllr Campbell from the Unity Trust bank authority

## **22/99 Planning Applications**

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

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| <b>Proposal:</b>                 | Change of use of agricultural land to a mixed agricultural and equestrian use |
| <b>Site Address:</b>             | Field Reference Number 6760 Blidworth Lane Blidworth                          |
| <b>Planning Application Ref:</b> | 22/00093/FULM   |

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

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - SECTION 174 APPEAL  
NOTIFICATION OF APPEAL AGAINST ENFORCEMENT NOTICES**

Site Address: New Farm Mansfield Road Blidworth NG21 0LS  
Alleged Breach: Without planning permission, operational 'development' on 'the Land' comprising of: The construction of a timber stable block with a felt roof measuring approximately 12.6 metres long by 3.76 metres wide and 2.65 metres to the ridge of the stable block as well as the development of a concrete base upon which to locate the unauthorised stable block (marked X on the attached Location Plan and identified in photograph 1).  
Application Ref: 21/00269/ENFB  
Appeal Ref No: APP/B3030/C/21/3289331  
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Noted

**Planning Decisions**

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

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| <b>Proposal:</b>                 | Proposed new business/office unit.       |
| <b>Site Address:</b>             | Unit 1 Joseph Court Burma Road Blidworth |
| <b>Planning Application Ref:</b> | 21/02149/FUL                             |
| <b>Decision:</b>                 | Grant Full Planning Permission           |

Noted

- 22/100 To note – Correspondence received**  
All relevant correspondence sent out via email
- 22/101 To note – The date of the next Parish Council Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022**
- 22/102 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**