

BLISWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

Of a meeting of Blisworth Parish Council held in the upstairs room of Blisworth Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. on **MONDAY 10th November 2011**

039 Present:

Councillors: Mrs P Masterman (Chairman), C Jeffery (Vice-Chairman), Mrs K Gray, Mrs D Burgoyne, D Dalton, Mrs J Hawkins, Mrs M Field, Ms M McKeown, C Gardner.

By invitation: Cllr B Ingram

Members of the public: 16

In attendance: Mrs Alison Bartlett (Clerk)

040 Apologies:

None

041 Declarations of Interest:

None

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

The Minutes of the previous meeting, having been circulated, were approved by the Council as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

042 Ongoing Matters

- i **Planters at Blisworth Arm** - The Parish Clerk is still trying to contact NCC regarding this (minute 11/028/i)
- ii **Churchyard Wall** - The repairs to the wall have now been completed. A grant of up to £1400.00 was awarded to support the project however since the grant can only be 35% of the total cost and the repairs came in under the predicted costs, the Parish Council will only be able to claim £910.00 of that grant (minute 11/028/ii and 11/028/iii)
- iii **Parish Clerk Contract** - The Parish Clerk has now signed the contract of employment.

043 Business Items

- i **Consultation on the Neighbourhood Planning (England) Regulations 2012** - The

regulations set out how Neighbourhood Areas are defined, how Neighbourhood Development Orders (NDOs) are processed and how parish councils can opt to determine planning applications arising from NDOs. Responses are required by 5th January 2012. It was agreed that the Parish Council will comment on the consultation.

- ii **Old Sewage Treatment Works, Northampton Road** - It was agreed that the Parish Council would not pursue the implementation of a Traffic Regulation Order which has not yet been implemented by the site operator.
- iii **Precept and Budget Meeting** - A closed meeting will be held on Monday 21st November 2011 at 7.30pm at Blisworth Village Hall to discuss the precept and budget for 2011/2012.
- iv **Parish Councillor Applications** - A closed meeting will be held on Monday 21st November 2011 at 7.30pm at Blisworth Village Hall to discuss applications received from residents wishing to become Parish Councillors.
- v **Parish Councillor Roles** - A closed meeting will be held on Monday 21st November 2011 at 7.30pm at Blisworth Village Hall to consider and agree responsibilities for each Parish Councillor.

044 **Planning:**

Applications:

- i **S/2011/1264/LBC - 1 Gayton Road**
Amendment to application S/2011/0914/LBC (Renovations to existing house to include structural repair work both internal and external. External - stabilisation and underpinning of the building and foundations to the front bay windows and rear wing, repairing and insulating the roof, removal and rebuilding of bay windows to the front. Internal - reinstating a ground floor supporting wall, reinstating a doorway to the hallway and alterations to the current layout to accommodate the supporting wall, moving the downstairs cloakroom and enlarging the kitchen and a new WC) to reinstate a blocked up doorway between two reception rooms in a wall which was to be demolished under the previous consent.
Response: **No objections**
- ii **S/2011/1278/FUL - Greystones 25 High Street**
Two storey & single storey extensions to rear
Response: **No objections**
- iv **S/2011/1344/ADV - Land at Chapel Hill Farm Chapel Lane**
One non-illuminated gantry sign (retrospective)
Response: **No objections**
- v **08/00079/WAS - Land at West Lodge Farm, Blisworth Road, Courteenhall, NN7 2QB**
Replacement of extant planning permission to extend the time limit for implementation of an anaerobic digestion facility
Response: **it is understood that a vehicle movement plan was required by the original planning consent and yet no reference was made regarding this in the recent application. The Parish Council is keen to highlight this to ensure that**

vehicle movements through the village of Blisworth are prohibited or at least restricted as far as possible.

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Finance

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Receipts

| Name | Details | Amount |
|------|---------|--------|
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Total

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Payments

| Name | Details | Amount | VAT | Total | Chq |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|------|
| E-ON | Street Ltg Maint. | £215.67 | £43.13 | £258.80 | 2000 |
| NEP Gardens | Mowing | £469.00 | £93.80 | £562.80 | 2002 |
| NCALC | Training | £58.00 | | £58.00 | 2003 |
| E-ON | Street Ltg Energy | £815.22 | | £815.22 | 2004 |
| JS Landscapes | Mowing | £200.00 | | £200.00 | 2005 |
| Blisworth GS | Churchyard repair | £2600.00 | | £2600.00 | 2006 |
| SLCC | Book | £60.80 | | £60.80 | 2007 |
| A Bartlett (Oct) | Salary & expenses | £398.00 | | £398.00 | 2008 |
| B Scarcliffe | Oak bench | £300.00 | | £300.00 | 1995 |
| AH Contracts | Dog bins | £79.40 | £15.88 | £95.28 | 2009 |
| Total | | £5196.09 | £152.81 | £5348.90 | |

That the above accounts be accepted and approved for payment:

Proposed: M McKeown

Seconded: J Hawkins

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Correspondence for information

The attached appendix of items have been circulated were available for inspection at the meeting.

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Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda

Cllr. Mrs D Burgoyne - A very interesting conference with lots of information regarding the Localism Bill. This is quite daunting but is a big opportunity which will bring more work and responsibility for the Parish Council.

Cllr. Mrs M Field - Lengthy discussions were had regarding the Localism Bill. A copy of the minutes of the meeting is appended to these minutes.

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Group Reports for information

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Parish Plan Progress Group - Mrs Beryl Andrews updated the Parish Council on the work the group is undertaking including the sale of personal alarm/torches, entry into the Northamptonshire Best Village Competition and ideas for a new village sign/notice board. A copy of the report is appended to these minutes.

ii **Neighbourhood Watch** - Since Mr Alan Andrews has stepped down from the role of Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator and a replacement has not yet been found, there was no-one to report back. Mr Andrews was thanked for his hard work in the role over the past five years. Without a Co-ordinator, the village will have to withdraw from the scheme.

iii **Neighbourhood Design Group** - The Group has put the work on hold until the Localism Act is in force.

049 Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next meeting scheduled for **Monday 21st November 2011.**

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.36pm

Signed:

Cllr. Mrs Pat Masterman
Chairman

Signed:



Mrs Alison Bartlett
Clerk to Blisworth Parish Council and Responsible Officer

Public and Councillor Questions, Comments or Representations:

Mike Hawkins - Stated he was concerned about the lack of information from SNC regarding the Sun, Moon and Stars. He would like confirmation from SNC that they are adhering to the original planning brief.

Cllr. Mrs Di Burgoyne - Advised that her Freedom of Information request has been refused and she has appealed to SNC Chief Executive Sue Smith.

Tony Marsh - Raised the matter of a willow tree on the Northampton Road that is obscuring the white line on the right hand side. PC

Cllr. Charlie Jeffery - Requested that the Parish Clerk contact the Peterborough Diocese to arrange an on site meeting to discuss the ash tree in the closed churchyard. PC

Cllr. Mrs Margarete Field - Raised the issue of the condition of the footpath around the bus stop area outside the church. The Clerk confirmed that this has already been raised with NCC and work should be carried out by March 2012.

Cllr. Colin Gardner - Requested that the Clerk contact SNC regarding the number of residents in Ladyfield who do not appear to have any connection with the village. PC