

# BLISWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES

Of a meeting of Blisworth Parish Council held at 7.30pm on  
**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2012**  
in the upstairs room of Blisworth Village Hall.

072	<b>PRESENT:</b>		
	Councillors:	Mrs P Masterman (Chairman), Mrs K Gray, Mrs D Burgoyne, D Dalton, Mrs J Hawkins, Mrs M Field, C Gardner, Ms M McKeown, S Billing, T Bartlett	
	By invitation:	Cllr B Ingram, Cllr S Townsend	
	Members of the public:	12	
	In attendance:	Mrs Alison Bartlett (Clerk)	
073	<b>APOLOGIES</b>		
		C Jeffery - Personal commitments	
074	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</b>		
		None	
075	<b>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:</b>		
		The Minutes of the previous two meetings, having been circulated, were approved by the Council as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman. <b>Proposed:</b> Cllr Mrs M McKeown <b>Seconded:</b> Cllr Mrs J Hawkins	
076	<b>ONGOING MATTERS</b>		
i	<b>CHURCHYARD WALL</b>	The Parish Clerk has received a cheque for £910.00 for Environmental Enhancement Grant (minute 11/028/ii, 11/028/iii and 11/042/ii)	
ii	<b>BLISWORTH PLAYING FIELD DRIVE DAMAGE</b>	Cllr Clarke has contacted Bromford Housing regarding the damage to the private drive up to the playing field and scout hut and is expecting a response next week. The Parish Clerk has written to the Leadbitter Group and is awaiting a response (minute 12/060/i).	
iii	<b>DOG BIN WASTE DISPOSAL</b>	The Parish Clerk has contacted other local Parish Clerks regarding other potential contractors and has been advised by Milton Malsor that they are paying £1.50 per bin. Greens Norton are currently using AH Contracts and have no intention of changing (minute 12/060/vii). The Parish Clerk is to obtain further information from Milton Malsor.	PC
iv	<b>ROUND AND ABOUT</b>	The Parish Clerk has requested written quotes for the printing of Round and About. Shire Lumsden quoted £80 for the same format currently used. South Northamptonshire Council have yet to formally respond.	PC
v	<b>AFFORDABLE HOUSING</b>	The Parish Clerk has received confirmation from South	

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	Northamptonshire Council that all the new residents in Ladyfield have a strong local connection and that the development in Chapel Lane will be subject to the same local connection criteria.	
vi	<b>BLISWORTH ARM PLANTERS</b> - The Parish Clerk has contacted the insurance providers regarding the planters and is not going to affect the premium. Parish Clerk is to contact NCC request details of the licence.	PC
vii	<b>LITTER BIN ON CHAPEL LANE</b> - The Parish Clerk has clarified that the footpath is mainly owned by Highways. Cllr Mrs D Burgoyne had a meeting with Andy Goodchild (SNC). The Royal Oak have verbally agreed that it could be put on their land opposite the notice board. DB is to follow this up.	DB
<del>077</del>	<b>BUSINESS ITEMS</b>	
i	<b>CO OPTION OF NEW COUNCILLORS</b> - It was RESOLVED that Mr S Billing be co-opted on to the Parish Council. Proposed: Cllr Colin Gardener Second: Cllr Mrs D Burgoyne It was RESOLVED that Mr T Bartlett be co-opted on to the Parish Council. Proposed: Cllr Mrs M McKeown Seconded: Cllr Mrs J Hawkins	
ii	<b>PRECEPT 2012 - 2013</b> - It was RESOLVED that the sum of £31000 be put to SNC for the precept for 2012 - 2013. Proposed: Cllr Mrs D Burgoyne Seconded: Cllr Mrs M McKeown	
iii	<b>MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING</b> - It was decided that "Terms of Reference" or a "Memorandum of Understanding" to clarify the role of the Parish Plan Progress Group was not required as the 32 page Action Plan is already in place.	
iv	<b>PARISH COUNCILLOR ROLES</b> - It was RESOLVED that each Parish Councillor would assume certain responsibilities. This was as follows: Cllr Mrs P Masterman - Street Doctor Cllr Mrs M Field - Sub-Planning Group, Mid-Northants Parishes Representative Cllr Mrs K Gray - Sub-Planning Group Cllr Mrs J Hawkins - Sub-Planning Group Cllr D Dalton - JASON Cllr C Gardner - Health and Safety Cllr Mrs M McKeown - Age UK, Best Village Competition Cllr S Billing - Health and Safety Cllr T Bartlett - JASON, Best Village Competition, Sub-Planning Group Cllr Mrs D Burgoyne - NHW Cllr C Jeffery - Sub-Planning Group	
v	<b>ROUND AND ABOUT NEWSLETTER</b> - It was AGREED that KG will write an article for the next issue of R&A. Other Councillors will consider contributing articles for future editions.	KG/ All
<del>078</del>	<b>PLANNING:</b>	
	<b>APPLICATIONS</b>	
i	<b>S/2011/1596/FUL</b> - Blisworth Arm Marina	



	Variation of condition 2 of planning permission S/2006/0320/P (inland waterways marina and headquarters building including offices, retail and managers apartment) to permit the installation of french doors in the chandlery. <b>Response:</b> No objections	
ii	S/2011/1599/FUL - Blisworth Arm Marina Variation of condition 2 of planning permission S/2011/0422/FUL (Change of use of manager's accommodation to three 2-bedroom holiday flats) to provide three one-bedroom holiday flats with juliet balconies to three windows in rear elevation. <b>Response:</b> No objections but the Parish Council is concerned about the potential increase in traffic arising from the site.	
iii	S/2011/1619/FUL - 64 Pond Bank New dwelling attached to existing dwelling <b>Response:</b> Object on the grounds that 62 Pond Bank does not have any off road parking and there are always several cars parked on the road outside the graveyard therefore access and egress from the site will be difficult. The Parish Council also reiterates their previous comments that the new dwelling will be overbearing in this setting. The original house appears to have been extensively extended already and the additional property would create shadowing across gardens of adjacent properties.	
iv	S/2011/1594/FUL - Blisworth Arm Marina Single storey storage building <b>Response:</b> No objections	
v	S/2011/1500/LBC - 28 Stoke Road Partition off room 1 to create a passage way, knock through and create doorway into room 2. Remove ply partition wall to room 3, block up existing door into room 4 and remove existing laundry room to provide study room 5. <b>Response:</b> No objections	
vi	S/2011/1563/FUL - Chapel Lane The Parish Council are concerned about the access and egress of traffic onto Chapel Lane from the site. It has also been raised that the Parish Council had been assured at the outline planning stage that construction traffic would be using a temporary access point located on the Northampton Road rather than Chapel Lane. There is no mention of this in the application. <b>Response:</b> No objections	
vii	S/2011/1512/FUL - Northampton Road Change of use from car sales to car hand washing area (retrospective). <b>Response:</b> The Parish Council is concerned that the extended opening hours beyond those currently in place on the business park may impact on nearby residential properties	
<b>DECISIONS</b>		
viii	S/2011/1344/ADV - Land at Chapel Hill Farm Chapel Lane One non-illuminated gantry sign (retrospective) <b>Decision:</b> Approval	
ix	S/2011/1278/FUL - Greystones 25 High Street Two storey & single storey extensions to rear <b>Decision:</b> Refusal	




079	FINANCE					
i	RECIPTS					
	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>				<i>Amount</i>
	A Bartlett	Allotment Rents				£46.80
	SNC	Churchyard Wall Grant				£910.00
	<b>Total</b>				<b>£956.80</b>	
ii	PAYMENTS					
	<i>Name</i>	<i>Details</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>VAT</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Chq</i>
	A Bartlett	Expenses	£243.07		£243.07	2019
	ACRE	Subscription	£34.00		£34.00	2020
	E-ON	St Ltg Mainten.	£215.67	£43.13	£258.80	2021
	St John Amb.	R&A Printing	£56.00	£11.20	£67.20	2022
	A Bartlett	Salary (Dec)	£398.00		£398.00	2023
	AH Contracts	Dog bins	£79.40	£15.88	£95.28	2024
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£1026.14</b>	<b>£70.21</b>	<b>£1096.35</b>		
It was RESOLVED that the above accounts be accepted and approved for payment:						
<b>Proposed:</b>		Cllr Mrs M McKeown				
<b>Seconded:</b>		Cllr Mrs J Hawkins				
080	DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS' REPORTS					
	<p>CLLR B INGRAM - Clarified that the Chief Const has withdrawn budget for PCSOs rather than NCC. NCC has had to follow suit as a result. It was suggested that parishoners could write to Andrea Leadsom MP and Jim Harker (NCC).</p> <p>CLLR S CLARK - Through the Parish Clerk Cllr Clark confirmed that he has asked Bromford Housing to look into the matter of the private drive up to the playing fields off Courteenhall Road and has been advised that it is being looked into. He is anticipating a response next week.</p>					
081	COUNCILLORS' REPORTS AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA					
	<p>CLLR MRS M FIELD - Raised the issue of flooding on bridge which has been reported to Street Doctor and the footpath along the Towcester Road towards bridge still has big pot holes.</p> <p>CLLR MRS K GRAY - Will be writing an article regarding the Neighbourhood Planning Meeting. She will report back fully at the next meeting.</p> <p>CLLR MRS J HAWKINS - Requested that the PC ask SNC have a litter pick along the High Street where branches have been cut back to reveal old litter along the verge.</p> <p>CLLR C GARDNER - Requested that the PC to speak to Steven Bates about the caravans at Candle Bridge. The lamp post has been clipped outside 31 Connegar Leys and the concrete base cracked. The PC will contact E-ON to get it repaired.</p> <p>CLLR S BILLING - Raised the issue of anglers parking on the grass at the side of candle bridge. The PC will speak to Highways regarding this.</p> <p>CLLR T BARTLETT - Attended Neighbourhood Planning Meeting this evening with Cllr Mrs K Gray.</p>					<p>PC</p> <p>KG</p> <p>PC</p> <p>PC</p> <p>PC</p>
082	GROUP REPORTS FOR INFORMATION					
i	PARISH PLAN PROGRESS TEAM - Mrs Maggie Barker presented an update on the work of the Parish Plan Progress Team, a copy of which is appended to these minutes.					



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ii	NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - Ron Hutchinson and Winston Wincott are the new neighbourhood watch co-ordinators. They will liaise with Cllr Mrs D Burgoyne as necessary.	
083	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	<p>The date of the next meeting is MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2012 at 7.30PM in the upstairs room of BLISWORTH VILLAGE HALL.</p> <p>There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.10 pm.</p> <p>Signed:</p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Cllr. Mrs Pat Masterman Chairman</p> <p>Signed: </p> <p style="padding-left: 100px;">Mrs Alison Bartlett Clerk to Blisworth Parish Council</p>	

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR REPRESENTATIONS:**

**MARK PRESTON, RDC** - RDC has been appointed by Orbit to promote the Chapel Lane development. Site already has outline planning permission for 27 new homes. S106 already in place including a requirement for 40% affordable homes (designed to design equality standards) and extending the 30mph limit to the far side of Candle Bridge. Planning conditions require a footpath on to be constructed on the opposite side to the current footpath. Gap midway up development is for sewerage easement, etc.

**ADRIAN BUSBY, WESTERN POWER DISTRIBUTION** - Some of telegraph poles particularly around nursery on Chapel Lane are rotten. There are currently three street lamps on Chapel Lane, each of a different type. Doug Millard at E-ON gave a figure of approx £1100.00 to be paid by the Parish Council to replace the lights and columns with low energy units which will be more economical to run. WPD are proposing to lay cable down to Pond Bank to prevent further extensive works being required for the new development. Cllr C Gardener agreed to attend an on-site meeting to discuss this further.

**ALAN ANDREWS** - British Waterways and Steven Bates for SNC are dealing with the pontoon that has been constructed on the canal bank. .

**JANE PERCIVAL** - There is an open meeting to discuss the Canal Festival in 2012 on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7.30 pm in the village hall. All are welcome.

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