

# BLISWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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## To Members of Blisworth Parish Council.

You are duly summoned to attend the next meeting of Blisworth Parish Council to be held at **7.30pm** on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2012** in the upstairs room of Blisworth Village Hall.

### AGENDA

<b>1</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b>	
	To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence.	
<b>2</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.</li><li>• To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.</li><li>• To declare any prejudicial interests in items on the agenda and their nature. Councillors with prejudicial interests must leave the room for relevant items.</li></ul>	
<b>3</b>	<b>MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:</b>	
	To consider approving the minutes of the last meeting of the Council.	
<b>4</b>	<b>ONGOING MATTERS</b>	
<i>i</i>	<b>Dog Fouling</b> – Posters have been printed and are available for people to put up around the village.	
<i>ii</i>	<b>Light on Chapel Lane</b> – A deflector has been put on the light causing a problem.	
<i>iii</i>	<b>Northamptonshire Boundary Review</b> – The Parish Clerk has responded to the consultation on behalf of the Parish Council	
<i>iv</i>	<b>Letter to SNC</b> – The Parish Clerk has contacted SNC detailing the comments made by the Planning Sub-group but has not yet had a response.	
<i>v</i>	<b>Planning Training</b> – SNC have been contacted and are happy to carry out training. Given the breadth of the subject area it has been suggested that it may take more than one training session. Some suggested dates have been requested.	
<i>vi</i>	<b>Litter on Stoke Road</b> – Cllr Mrs S Townsend has spoken to SNC regarding a litter pick and it is hoped that it will be scheduled soon.	
<b>5</b>	<b>BUSINESS ITEMS</b>	
<i>i</i>	<b>Neighbourhood Plan</b> – Consider distribution of information on the Neighbourhood Plan to invite comments from the Parish on the need for a document.	
<i>ii</i>	<b>Summer Holiday Activity Programme 2012 – The Village Games</b> – Consider giving permission to SNC to use the Eastfield Play Area on Tuesday 24 July, 7 August, 21 August between 1.30pm and 3.30pm. The Village Games provide rural village children with 2-hour session of activities for 5 - 12 year olds, delivered by two qualified Sports Leaders. Last year the programme offered young people the chance to participate in variety of sports that will be seen at the London Olympics, including javelin, discus and shot put games.	
<i>iii</i>	<b>AGM</b> – Consider the format of the next Annual General Meeting due to take place in	



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	June 2012.	
<i>iv</i>	<b>Hosepipe Ban</b> – To consider attaching labels to each of the standpipes on the allotment advising the allotment holders that it is illegal to use hosepipes to fill water butts or watering cans etc. in a similar way to the labels on the Stoke Road allotments.	
	<b>PLANNING:</b>	
<b>6</b>	<b>APPLICATIONS</b>	
<i>i</i>	<b>S/2012/0278/TCA</b> 4 Northampton Road Blisworth Removal of 1 no. Hawthorne, 1 no. Alder and 2 no deciduous trees FOR INFORMATION ONLY	
<i>ii</i>	<b>S/2012/0304/FUL</b> 36 Buttmead Blisworth Conversion and extension to single store garage at the side of the property. Response date: 03/04/2012	
<i>iii</i>	<b>S/2012/0311/FUL</b> 7 Chapel Lane Blisworth Demolition of existing commercial/light industrial buildings. Erection of 2 No. 3 bedroom dwellings with associated parking, bin storage, and courtyard gardens. Response date: 04/04/2012	
<i>iv</i>	<b>S/2012/0334/FUL</b> JBJ Business Park Northampton Road Blisworth Variation of condition 3 S/2011/1512/FUL to allow car washing between 10am and 4pm on Sundays, Bank and Public holidays and a further condition to require the vacuum cleaner and pressure washers to be contained within acoustic boxes. Response date: 11/04/2012	
<b>7</b>	<b>DECISIONS</b>	
<i>i</i>	<b>S/2011/1501/MAR</b> Land at Chapel Hill Farm Chapel Lane Blisworth Approval of Reserved Matters pursuant to S/2009/0961/OUT and S/2011/1563/FUL (Residential development for 27 houses and estate road and associated works). <b>Decision: Approval</b>	
<i>ii</i>	<b>S/2011/1563/FUL</b> Land at Chapel Hill Farm Chapel Lane Blisworth Variations to conditions 23 and 29 on S/2009/0961/OUT (Residential development for 27 houses and estate road and associated works (Outline), to allow minor changes to highway specifications and to update details of flood plain compensation works. <b>Decision: Approval</b>	
<i>iii</i>	<b>S/2012/0029/FUL</b> Gayton Marina Blisworth Arm Blisworth New building to accommodate chandlery, laundry, wetdocks, admin & stores. New vehicular access, hardstandings and replacement jetties. <b>Decision: Approval</b>	
<i>iv</i>	<b>S/2012/0016/FUL</b> Painters Cottage 30 Stoke Road Blisworth Erection of 2 No. dwellings and detached garage <b>Decision: Withdrawn</b>	



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## APPENDIX 1

1.	<b>SNC Press Release</b> - England rugby star Ben Cohen MBE was the star guest at a celebration event to mark the completion of South Northants Homes' unique Move-in 4ward Life Skills courses.
2.	<b>Rural Opportunities Bulletin</b> – Dated March 2012. The monthly bulletin highlighting a selection of current funding, consultation and other opportunities
3.	<b>Village Networks Bulletin</b> – Dated February 2012. A welcome to Village Networks: a new snvb project for South Northamptonshire, funded by the Big Lottery.
4.	<b>Rural Services Network</b> - Weekly Email News Digest - 27 February 2012
5.	<b>SNC E-mail</b> - From April 2012 SNC will be collecting cardboard from the black boxes rather than the green wheeled bins. After this date the green bins will be for garden waste only and the black boxes will be for recycling cans, plastics and cardboard.
6.	<b>Northants Warm Homes Press Release</b> –a partnership of all district and borough councils in Northamptonshire, has joined forces with the Snug Network to give the county's residents the chance to get cavity wall or loft insulation for just £59 per installation. Residents aged 70 or over, or in receipt of certain benefits, can even get the work done for free.
7.	<b>Rural Services Network</b> - Weekly Email News Digest - 5 March 2012
8.	<b>Friends of Delapre Abbey</b> - Northampton's historic Delapre Abbey will be opening its doors to the public for a weekend of guided tours this month. Guided tours of Delapre Abbey are free and will run at half hourly intervals from 10am to 4pm on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 March. Group sizes will be restricted and places must be pre-booked. To reserve a space contact 01604 708675.
9.	<b>SNVB</b> - Information update - February 21st 2012.
10.	<b>Neighbourhood and Home Watch Network</b> – Newsletter including an article from Towergate Insurance around reducing house insurance premium, an article from ADT Fire & Security giving advice on how to protect homes, an update on Public Liability Insurance for 2012/13, how to apply for BTEC Bursary places, how to get involved with the National Personal Safety Awards, funding & finance opportunities and details about the UK National Honours.
11.	<b>Neighbourhood and Home Watch Network</b> – Details of the 'Courier Scam'
12.	<b>Northants 50+ Newsletter</b> – Spring 2012
13.	<b>Northamptonshire Police Community Connect</b> - Crime and policing update for Blisworth and Roade ward. Recent incidents of note - A property in Stoke Road, Blisworth was broken into overnight on Sunday 26 February. Two motorbikes were stolen from a shed in Ladyfield, Blisworth overnight on Tuesday 28 February. On Sunday 4 March a vehicle was stolen from Stoke Road, Blisworth.
14.	<b>Rural Services Network</b> - Weekly Email News Digest - 12 March 2012



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15.	<b>NCC</b> – Letter advising Stoke Bruerne to Blisworth Road carriageway patching
16.	<b>Anglian Water</b> – Letter regarding the proposed hosepipe ban and reducing water consumption.
17.	<b>NCALC</b> – List of training events from April to July 2012
18.	<b>Parishoner Correspondence</b> – E-mail thanking the Chairman for highlight the dog fouling problem in Round and About.
19.	<b>E-mail from Leiston-cum-Sizewell</b> – Advising of the success of the proposal to empower Town and Parish Councils re dealing with major planning applications that was made under the Sustainable Communities Act. SALC and Leiston Town Council have prepared a guide on how to use the new government policy.
20.	<b>Rural Services Network</b> - Weekly Email News Digest - 19 March 2012
21.	<b>SNC</b> – Details of the new SPLAT events coming up this summer.
22.	<b>Village Viewpoint</b> - Articles addressing the issue of fuel poverty, updates on Northamptonshire acre's current projects and activities, Northamptonshire Best Village competition information, grants details.
23.	<b>Rural Services Network</b> - Weekly Email News Digest - 26 March 2012
24.	<b>E-mail from resident</b> – Raising concerns about the planning application for Squeaky Clean Car Wash and requesting support.



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## APPENDIX 2

### BLISWORTH PARISH PLAN PROGRESS TEAM

UPDATE APRIL 2012

We continue to meet monthly, and are currently working on the following items:-

1. **Village Churchyards.** On March 19th, Matt Johnson from the Wildlife Trust, and a group of over twenty interested villagers, toured the four village churchyards to discuss how to promote wildlife there. The first idea is to divide snowdrops and aconites in the near future to promote more flowers next year. Other plans will be made gradually and in consultation with the village. The scout movement is keen to have projects connected with the churchyards, and could help with bird boxes and creating small animal-friendly habitats. The Wildlife Trust will visit every year and advise on progress.
2. **Best Village Competition.** Following Parish Council approval for our first entry for this competition to be in 2012, the subteam made up of one parish councillor and two progress team members is well ahead with our strong application.
3. **Central Village Feature.** There has been a negative reply from the owners of the Royal Oak about siting a central village feature on any of their land. We are therefore looking at the pavement adjacent and on both side of the bus shelter and the design is being adapted accordingly.
4. **Neighbourhood Plan.** The team has considered the pros and cons of producing a Neighbourhood Plan and would recommend to the Parish Council that the village does proceed with this course of action. We might miss our opportunity if we do not. We could pull out at a later date, but perhaps would not be able to opt in later on.

Sarah Sykes, Chair

