

BLISWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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AGENDA OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT PARISH COUNCILLORS ARE SUMMONED AND THE PUBLIC INVITED TO ATTEND A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL ON **MONDAY 4th MARCH 2019** IN THE UPSTAIRS ROOM OF THE VILLAGE HALL AT **7.30 P.M.**

PUBLIC QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND REPRESENTATIONS:

In the last item on the agenda of the meeting residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration at the discretion of the Chairman. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 3 minutes. Members of the public should address their representations through the Chairman of the meeting and may not take part in the Parish Council meeting itself.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – To receive and approve apologies.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS** – members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any items under consideration at this meeting.
3. **RESOLUTION TO SIGN & APPROVE MINUTES** OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING DATED 11TH FEBRUARY 2019.
4. **CLERK/CHAIR'S REPORT**
Actions carried out as per last meeting
5. **DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCIL REPORTS** Report from local Community Police Officer – if available
6. **PARISH STREET LIGHTING CONFERENCE** - organised by NCALC on 4th March – Attended by Clerk and Cllr Gardner - Report
7. **ADULT OUTDOOREXERCISE EQUIPMENT** - update
8. **HR COMMITTEE** - Parish Council to consider establishing and implementing an "HR" committee as advised by NCALC.
9. **RAIL FREIGHT TERMINALS** – Update
 - PC response to Rail Central Dead line 5, 26.2.19, circulated and submitted by Mark Redding
10. **CHAPEL LANE** - update

11. PLANNING – See Planning Register below for details of applications

For Comments:

- i) Planning Application S/2019/0324, 34 Station Road Replacement of Sewage systems for 4 properties
- ii) Planning Application S/2019/0270/FUL, 38 Station Road, new sewage system plant (retrospective)
- iii) Planning Application S/2019/0354, (retrospective) 7 Courteenhall Road – canopy over front door
- iv) S/2019/0288/LBC – 1 Stoke Road, Crieff House – demolition of 2 storey bay window and replacement extension. (Full application a well)

12. DRAFT ORDER: EM/3634 - PROPOSED STOPPING UP OF HIGHWAY AT GRAFTON HOUSE, BEING GAYTON ROAD, BLISWORTH, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE NN7 3BN – PC to consider response from DoT and SNC.

Consultation closes 7th March 2019. Clerk had objected on grounds that footpath and turning space would be lost along with the parking provision for walkers to access the canal.

A response had been received:

the Secretary of State's role in this matter is limited to considering the impact that closing a highway would have on its users, and determining where the ultimate public interest may lie. As PC objection does not directly relate to the closure of the highway, which is the subject of this stopping up Order, the DoT cannot accept the letter as a valid objection.

It is considered that the issues the PC have raised relate directly to the planning permission and pertain predominantly to the impact of the development. This is a matter for South Northamptonshire Council and the advice is to raise these issues with them directly. The Secretary of State cannot interfere in any way with the planning permission decision that has been issued.

The local authority advised at the planning stage that this area is not a designated parking area and that the development would not cause harm through the loss of parking in the area.

Clerk also written to Jim Newton at SNC with concern that SNC had approved the planning application before the consultation from Secretary of State had ended on 7.3.19 and had not fully considered the application.

Jim Newton response raised two points:

- i) *SNC made their planning decision before the Department for Transport made its decision.*

The short answer to this is that we had to. A stopping up Order is made in accordance with a planning permission. This means that if we had not made the planning decision, DfT would not have been able to make its decision concerning the Order. You were not to know that though (I had to ask

my colleague who determined the planning application) not least because these types of application are relatively rare.

ii) PC objected and SNC did not fully consider comments

We carefully consider comments that are made about planning applications before we decide whether to grant planning permission or not. We publish comments in full, on our web site, and we also publish an officer report which considers all of the relevant planning comments that have been received by us. I can confirm that your letter was received, and that I have read it. I can also confirm that I have read the detailed officer's report, and not least in the absence of an objection from the local highway authority, I agree that planning permission was correctly granted. I do understand your point of view, and I believe that the planning officer gave due consideration to that. Within the officer's report I noted discussion about the availability of alternative parking opportunities in the area, as well as consideration of the current status of the application site and its future availability in any event. I therefore conclude that the report references your objection, it considers the issues, and reaches a fair and reasoned conclusion.

I believe that, while we disagree with each other about the issue of parking in this particular case, that is not to say that we have dismissed your concerns out of hand.

These responses have been copied to a concerned resident.

13. LOCAL MATTERS

I. Footpaths –

- Reports of any problems

II. Lighting – Lights reported: PL40, Church Lane – Clerk has reported

III. Play Area – Reports of any issues

Clerk has requested Annual inspection by Wicksteed (10 week lag)

IV. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme

- NHW Co-ordinator sought

V. Highways –

VI. Allotments – Collection night 1st April

14. COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH 2019 – Update on progress

15. ROYAL OAK – PC has written to Enterprise Inns with their concerns that the pub might close. Response had been that they have no plans to dispose of it.

16. COMMUNICATIONS (not mentioned elsewhere on the agenda)

- NCALC bookings for Street light workshop
- NCALC Mini Update
- NHS – Survey – Influence the way we engage (circulated)

17. PROGRESS GROUP REPORT – if available

18. FINANCE

Payments

Chq	Payee	Detail	Net	Vat	Total
740	Allseasons	Grit bins	65.00	13.00	78.00
741	Aylesbury mains				
742	V Hartley	Sal- Feb			607.75
743	HMRC	Tax to 28.2.19			33.00
744	Shire Lumsden	R&A print			125.00
745	V Hartley	Stationery etc 2018			303.74
- Bank Balance at 24.1.19 - £34949.89					

- **Direct Debit instructions set up for payment of:
WAVE, £54.50 x 10 payments(Anglian Water)
ICO (Information commissioner) - £40 per annum less £5 for DD.**

19. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND COUNCILLORS COMMENTS

**20. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT AND FUTURE MEETINGS – 1st April, May
meeting date - tba**

21. PUBLIC SESSION

Signed Date

This agenda can be found on the Blisworth Parish Council Website

Planning Register

