

BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council held at Blackwell Community Centre, Woburn Close, Blackwell on Monday 3 April 2017 at 7.25.pm.

PRESENT

Councillor N J B Willens (Chairman)

Councillors: D G B Bullock: I G Cox: S Gill: A Naylor: I J A Newham
R A Poulter and R J Sainsbury.

1/2017

ALSO PRESENT

11 parishioners.

2/2017

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors T J Gascoyne, C R Moesby, Mrs C Munks and B Stocks.

3/2017

DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS/CODE OF CONDUCT

The Chairman reminded Council Members to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest they had in subsequent Agenda items in accordance with the Parish Councils Code of Conduct. Interest that became apparent at a later stage in the proceedings could be declared at that time.

4/2017

PUBLIC SPEAKING (20 MINUTES)

Mr D Lewis, Blackwell, complained to Council Members about traffic issues with regard to contractors working on the new housing development at the junction of Alfreton Road/Primrose Hill and he was advised by the Clerk that this matter had already been taken up with the appropriate Officer at Bolsover District Council who had agreed to speak with the Contractors and advised their employees to respect local residents rights.

Mr M Bunning, Blackwell, advised Council Members of his concerns with regard to parking at Deamon Street, Blackwell and he was advised by the Clerk that this matter had already been raised with the Director of Housing Bolsover District Council and the traffic island at Deamon Street was not going to be used to provide car parking for local residents cars etc.

Ms S Jakymelon, Blackwell, advised Council Members of her concerns regarding the future of the now closed Blackwell Miners Welfare.

It was agreed that the Clerk contact CISWO (owners of the building) to ascertain what plans they may have for the premises.

She also stated that she considered the play equipment at the Councils Scanderlands Playing Field, Blackwell, was not fit for purpose.

It was agreed that the Clerk contact the Playgrounds and Openspaces Warden, Bolsover District Council, requesting that an inspection of the play equipment be carried out and a report submitted to the next meeting of the Council.

5/2017

POLICE MATTERS

Council Members noted that the police were not in attendance at the Meeting.

6/2017

COUNTY COUNCILLOR C R MOESBY

The Clerk advised Council Members that he had received an email from County Councillor C R Moesby and because of the “**purdah**” period prior to the County Council elections on 4 May 2017, County Councillor Moesby had no report to give from Derbyshire County Council.

7/2017

COUNCILLOR D G B BULLOCK

Councillor D G B Bullock advised Council Members that there was no report to give from Bolsover District Council

8/2017

MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 6 March 2017 were approved and signed as a correct record.

9/20/17

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

The Clerk reported that there were no confidential items for discussion.

10/2017

CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported for information that an invitation had been received from the Chairman, Bolsover District Council, for Council Members to attend the annual Charity Brass Concert which would be held on 12 May 1017

11/2017

HS2 LIMITED

The Clerk reported for information

1. Receipt of registration confirmation for HS2 Phase 2b.
2. Royal Assent had now been given for the first phase of HS2 to be constructed. Work was expected to commence within the next few weeks.

12/2017

ALLOTMENTS

The Clerk reported for information that notification had been received from Chatsworth Settlement Trustees of a rent increase from 27 March 2017 of £865 per annum plus VAT for the Littlemoor Lane Allotment site.

The next rent review would be held on 25 March 2020.

13/2017

HIGHWAYS

The Clerk reported for information

1. Receipt of an email from Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council advising that the drain cover repair require. at Primrose Hill, Blackwell had arranged with Severn Trent Water to carry out the necessary repairs.
2. Receipt of a letter from Highways England advising of the opening of the M1 Smart Motorway between Junctions 32 to 34 would be on 1 April 2017.

Councillor R A Poulter advised Council Members of his concerns with regard to motorists at Alfreton Road, Westhouses mounting the pavement and he would try and obtain photographs of the offending vehicles which would be passed to the Police

14/2017

PLAYING FIELDS

The Chairman reported for information that he was still awaiting estimates from Groundwork Creswell with regard to the provision of new play equipment at the Councils Charnwood Crescent Playing Field at Newton.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Senior Sports Development Officer, Bolsover District Council with regard to the Streets Sports Diversionary Outreach Programme 2017/2018.

It was agreed that the Council do not participate in the Bolsover District Councils Street Sports Diversionary Programme 2017/2018.

Councillor D G B Bullock declared an interest in the foregoing item and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon

Following a brief report from the Clerk

RESOLVED that Councillor T J Gascoyne organize the Street Sports Diversionary Outreach Programme 2017/2018 within the Parish of Blackwell in the sum of £720.00p

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RESOLVED

1. The email from the Assistant Director Governance and Monitoring Officer, Bolsover District Council, with regard to Public Space Protection Order Dog Controls be noted.

2. The Clerk arrange a Meeting with the Environmental Health Manager, Commercial, Industrial and Licensing, Bolsover District Council with regard to the possibility of a Public Space Protection Order Dog Controls being in place.

The Clerk reported receipt of the Playground Inspection and Maintenance Service (PMS) contractual agreement with Bolsover District Council for the Parish Councils 6 play areas and the cost for 72 monthly inspections (across 6 play areas) carried out for the Parish Council in the year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018 would be £1656.00p plus VAT.

After a short discussion

RESOLVED that the Council accept the Playground Inspection and Maintenance Service (PMS) contractual agreement with Bolsover District Council for the 72 monthly inspections across six play areas within the Parish of Blackwell for the year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018 in the sum of one thousand 656 pounds plus VAT be accepted.

Councillor D G B Bullock declared an interest in the foregoing item and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

Councillor R A. Poulter suggested to Council Members that the cost of a general tidying up of the Councils Play Equipment i.e. painting etc. be included in the Precept for the Financial Year 2018/2019

15/2017

FOOTPATHS

There were no reports with regard to footpaths.

16/2017

ACCOUNTS

The Clerk submitted a list of Accounts for Payment totaling £15,293.67p and it was agreed these be paid. The Clerk also furnished the following documents to Council Members for their inspection

1. Copy of the Councils Bank Reconciliation Statement.
2. Copy of the Councils Audit Form confirming the Councils current financial position.
3. Copy of the Councils Bank Statement.
4. List of Direct Debit Payments.

The foregoing documents conform to the Accounts and Audit Regulations (England 2017) (2011/817).

The Clerk handed to each Member present a copy of the Councils redacted Accounts for Payment

The Clerk also reported that notice had been received from the Cooperative Bank PLC that the Mansfield branch would be closing on 21 June 2017.

RESOLVED the Clerk make further enquiries of Lloyds Bank with a view to transferring the Councils bank account to them.

The Clerk also reported for information that Notice of Audit had been received from the Councils External Auditors, Grant Thornton LLP, and that the appropriate notices would be placed on the Councils notice-boards in due course.

17/2017

BOLSOVER PARTNERSHIP

The Chairman reported for information on his attendance at a Bolsover Partnership and Parish Council Liaison meeting held on 20 March 2017, and amongst the items discussed was an update on Environmental Despoilment/Community Recycling Promoters and an "Outside In" film produced by Shirebrook Town Council.

18/2017

DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

The Clerk reported receipt of the following Derbyshire Association of local councils circular

1. 04/ 2017 DALC Spring Seminar/ Local Council Award Scheme etc.

19/2017

QUALITY STATUS AND PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL SCHEME

The Chairman reported for information that the Councils website was functioning satisfactorily

Councillor I J A Newham advised Council members that the Spring edition of the Councils News letter had now been delivered and that items for the Summer edition of the news letter would be required by no later than 14 June 2017..

20/2017

PLANS

The following plans were submitted and determined as indicated

1. 17/00102/FUL – Mr S Wilson, 24 Sidings Way, Westhouses – Single storey rear extension and two storey rear extension with first floor balcony – **No objections.**
2. 17/00134/FUL Mr G Worrall, 18 Church View, Blackwell – installation of chimney to serve wood burner (higher than 1 metre above conservatory roof) – **No objections.**
3. 14/00188/FUL MAJ – Mr P Leverton - former Blackwell tip North East of Amber Park Berristowe Lane, Berristowe Lane industrial estate South Normanton – change of use to an open.storage yard with access from Berristow Lane, siting of portable building and gate house.

Council Members expressed concerns with regard to possible traffic issues and it was agreed that the Clerk write to the Planning Services Manager, Bolsover District Council suggesting that no heavy goods vehicles from the site be allowed to pass through the adjoining village of Hilcote.

4. 16/00058/FUL Hurst Homes – Planning permission had been granted by Bolsover District Council for the demolition of the former Church building and erection of 6 dwellings at Whites Lane, Blackwell.

5. 15/00653/9OUT Wheeldon Brothers – residential development of up to 80 dwellings including means of access from Cragg Lane, Newton

RESOLVED that the response formulated by the Chairman and Clerk to the Planning Inspectorate be approved .

21/2017

CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items of correspondence for discussion.

22/2017

BLACKWELL/NEWTON/ HILCOTE COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Clerk reported receipt from Derbyshire County Council of the Caretaking and Cleaning Contract 2017/2018 for Newton Community Centre in the sum of £12,056-20p plus VAT.

RESOLVED That the Caretaking and Cleaning Contract 2017/2018 received from Derbyshire County Council for Newton Community Centre in the sum of £12,058-20p be accepted.

Due to the absence from the meeting of Councillor T J Gascoyne with regard to the possibility of the provision of a multi-use building within the grounds of Westhouses Primary School. This be an Agenda item .for the next Meeting of the Council to be held on 8th May 2017.

The Clerk reported that the Real Living Wage paid by Derbyshire County Council had, with effect from 1 April 2017 been increased to £8-45 p per hour.

RESOLVED that the Councils Parish Caretaker and the Caretakers at Blackwell Community Centre and Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre be paid the Real Living Wage £8-45p per hour with effect from 1 April 2017.

Following a report from Councillor S Gill it was agreed that the chairs at Blackwell Community Centre be inspected for possible damage and where necessary these be removed to a place of safety.

Following a short report from the Chairman.

RESOLVED that all Community Groups using the Councils Blackwell/Hilcote/Newton Community Centre's pay the appropriate hourly rate.

23/2017

DOE HILL COMMUNITY PARK

The Clerk reported for information receipt of an email from Banks Mining regarding a site visit carried out at Doe Hill Community Park by the Derbyshire Environmental Studies Service .

Councillor I J A Newham reported for information that following a recent incident of fly tipping at Doe Hill Community Park, the cost of a

“clean up” operation to the Park Advisory Group was £80.

24/2017

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS 2017/2018.

The Clerk submitted the Schedule of Meetings to be held in the year 2017/2018

- 8 May 2017. Newton Community Centre 7.00 p.m.
- 5 June 2017. Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre
7.00 p.m.
- 3 July 2017. Blackwell Community Centre 7.00 p.m.
- August 2017. **No Meeting**
- 4 September 2017. Newton Community Centre 7.00 p.m.
- 2 October 2017. Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre
7.00 p.m.
- 6 November 2017. Blackwell Community Centre 7.00 p.m.
- 4 December 2017. Newton Community Centre .7.00 p.m.
- 8 January 2018. Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre
7.00 p.m.
- 5 February 2018. Blackwell Community Centre 7.00 p.m.
- 5 March 2018. Newton Community Centre 7.00 p.m.
- 9 April 2018. Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre
7.00 p.m.

25/2017

MEETING

RESOLVED that the next Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council be held at Newton Community Centre on Monday 8 May 2017 at 7.00 p.m. and would incorporate the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

The Meeting concluded at 8.15 p.m.