

# **BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council held at Newton Community Centre, Newton on Monday 7 November 2016, at 7 p .m

## **PRESENT**

Councillor N J B Willens (Chairman)

Councillors: D G B Bullock: I G Cox: T J Gascoyne: S Gill: C R Moesby: Mrs C Munks: A Naylor: I J A Newham: R A Poulter: R J Sainsbury and B Stocks

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## **ALSO PRESENT**

PC Chris Grant, Derbyshire Constabulary and 36 Parishioners.

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## **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

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## **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.

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## **PUBLIC SPEAKING (20 MINUTES)**

**Mr T Davey, Newton**, advised Council Members that because of the narrowness/parked cars at Sherwood Street, Newton, the Bolsover District Council Refuse Collection Team had on a number of occasions not been able to access properties with regard to emptying of dustbins.

Mr Davey was advised that Councillors D G B Bullock and C R Moesby in their capacity as District Council members would raise Mr Davey's concerns with the Environmental Health Department at the District Council.

Mr Davey also expressed concerns with regard to dog fouling and it was agreed that the Clerk contact the Dog Warden, Bolsover District Council, requesting that attention be given to this particular problem.

Mr Davey also requested that consideration be given to the provision of double yellow lines being placed at the junction of Littlemoor Lane/Sherwood Street, Newton. Councillor C R Moesby in his capacity as

County Councillor advised Mr Davey that he would raise this particular request with the Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council.

**Mrs M Bunce/Mrs G Kirk/Mrs J Sears, Hilcote**, advised Council Members of their strong objections on behalf of the majority of the residents of Hilcote, to the proposed planning application: -

16/00513/FUL -Ms M Wilson- change of use of site for siting of three static caravans – Land West of “Bareen” bungalow and North of Hilcote Farm, Hilcote Lane, Hilcote.

They outlined a substantial number of concerns; -

1. Supply of electricity.
2. Disposal of waste water from the site.
3. Gas installation, was it to be mains connected or bottled gas.

They concluded that they believed that the site was too small for the required number of caravans and ancillary equipment and indicated that if restrictions were put in place by the Planning Department, Bolsover District Council the applicant would not abide by them.

**Mrs G Kirk, Hilcote** also expressed her concern with regard to planning application 16/OO437/FUL - Mr S Mason - Construction and operation of a 20MW Peaking Power Generation Plant, ancillary equipment and access - Land North and West of “Redwood”, Hilcote Lane, Hilcote. She considered that there would not only be noise pollution but also erosion of further green space.

The Chairman advised residents that the comments they had made would be passed to the Planning Department, Bolsover District Council who would have the final say on the planning application.

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## **POLICE MATTERS**

PC Chris Grant, Derbyshire Constabulary attended the Council Meeting but unfortunately had to leave to deal with a pressing Police matter but the Clerk had a report from PCSO Paul Brownlee which he read out to members of the Council.

1. – Speed Camera Signs – these would have to be obtained from the Derbyshire County Council, Highways Department, and not the Police. However there are rules that they have to be positioned no further than a certain distance from where there is an existing speed camera.
2. With regard to putting up a fake camera or structure that looks like a camera painted to resemble a camera in its self could create problems for the person installing such a sign and could possibly be the target of vandalism.
3. PCSO Brownlee intended to carry out a speed watch exercise and would be in touch with Councillor D G B Bullock in the near future.

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**COUNTY COUNCILLOR C R MOESBY**

County Councillor C R Moesby advised Council Members

1. Applications were now being taken from parents who wished their children to attend either Blackwell, Newton, Westhouses Primary School and it was suggested that they check the Derbyshire County Council web site.
2. Public Footpath 3 had been cleared of overgrown vegetation etc.
3. Blackwell Trail the car park was now open however the Trail had still not been handed over from the original contractors to Derbyshire County Council.
4. The former Coalite plant at Bolsover that there was to be a £2 million pound investment which would provide both industrial and housing development.
5. Countryside Volunteers were required.
6. A report from Derbyshire County Council Trading Standards Department with regard to potential scams
7. A report of the number of the reduced number of road traffic accidents within the County Council area.
8. Blackwell Children's Centre would be closing on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016.
9. Improvements had been carried out at Blackwell /Newton Primary Schools.
10. County Councillor Moesby advised Council Members that £250 was available from his County Fund for voluntary groups.

**RESOLVED** that County Councillor C R Moesby be thanked for his attendance and report.

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**COUNTY COUNCILLOR D G B BULLOCK**

Councillor D G B Bullock advised Council Members that an invitation to all Parish and Town Councils within the Bolsover District Council area to comment on the Draft Local Plan, which had now been published for the Bolsover District and the venues would be at

1. Tibshelf Village Hall, on 11 November 2016
2. Post Mill Centre, South Normanton, on 25 November 2016.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor D G B Bullock be thanked for his attendance and report

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**MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held 3 October 2016 were approved and signed as a correct record

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**CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

The Clerk reported that there were no confidential items for discussion

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**CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chairman reported for information: -

1. the Annual Remembrance Day Service would be held on Sunday 13 November 2016 at Newton Community Centre at 3 pm
2. The Annual Pantomime at Blackwell/Newton Community Centre's would be held on December 2016 – the pantomime for this year was "Dick Whittington".
3. An invitation from the Chairman, Bolsover District Council to his Chairman's Charity Jazz Evening would be held at Shirebrook Leisure Centre on 25 November 2016.

The Chairman advised Council Members that notification had been received from a representative of HS2 Ltd indicating that they would be prepared to attend a Meeting of the Council to outline the proposals of the planned route of HS2 Ltd.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to the representative of HS2 Ltd, suggesting that they attend the next Meeting of the Council, to be held on 5 December 2016 at the earlier time of 6.30.pm.

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**ALLOTMENTS**

There were no reports with regard to allotments.

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**HIGHWAYS**

The Clerk reported for information receipt of an email from the Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council, confirming that the Highways Maintenance Team had been advised of the damaged pavement beneath M1 Motorway Bridge at Hilcote Lane, Hilcote.

Councillor B Stocks advised Council Members that the posts on the grass verge at the junction of New Lane/Hilcote Lane, Hilcote, had been damaged.

**RESOLVED** that the Councillor C R Moesby in his capacity as County Councillor, contact the Highways Department, Derbyshire

County Council, with regard to the damaged posts being replaced.

Councillor T J Gascoyne advised Council Members that the fencing at Alfreton Road, Westhouses, was again leaning over the footpath at that location.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to the Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council, requesting that urgent attention be given to dealing with the overhanging fencing at Alfreton Road, Westhouses.

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### **PLAYING FIELDS**

The Clerk reported for information that he was still awaiting a response from the Council Solicitors with regard to the land at Pasture Lane, Hilcote

The Clerk also reported receipt of an email from the Finance Director, CISWO, advising the Council that user groups using the sports facilities at the former Blackwell Miners Welfare were very concerned about the future of the facilities.

He did however indicate that when more information was available he would hope to arrange a site meeting with Council Members.

Councillor T J Gascoyne advised Council Members of his concerns with regard to dog fouling at the Councils Tibshelf Road Playing Field, Westhouses.

**RESOLVED** that the Clerk write to the Dog Warden, Bolsover District Council, requesting action be taken for the removal of the dog faeces at the Councils Tibshelf Road Playing Field, Westhouses.

The Chairman reported for information that he had been in contact with Groundwork Creswell, with regard to other sources of funding for Phase Two of the development at the Councils Charnwood Crescent Playing Field, Newton.

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### **FOOTPATHS**

Councillor R A Poulter advised Council Members of his concerns with regard to there being no "dropped kerbs" being provided at Cambridge Street/Cromwell Avenue/Gladstone Avenue/Oxford Street, Blackwell.

He further added that as a result wheelchair users were having to use the highway at Central Drive which adjoined the aforementioned roads.

Councillor C R Moesby agreed in his capacity as County Councillor

to raise Councillor Poulter's concerns with the Highways Department, Derbyshire County Council.

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### **ACCOUNTS**

The Clerk submitted a list of Accounts for Payment totaling £12,269.20p and it was agreed that these be paid.

Councillor C R Moseby declared a person interest in the Account payable to Bolsover District Council for playground inspections and took no part in the discussion or decision thereon.

Councillor R J Sainsbury declared a personal interest in the Account payable to St Werburghs PCC for churchyard maintenance and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

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 2011) (2011/817).

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

The Clerk reported for information the latest Dividend Statement from CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund.

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### **BOLSOVER PARTNERSHIP**

The Chairman reported for information that the Bolsover Partnership and Parish Council Liaison Meeting had taken place on 24 October 2016, and the principle item for discussion was a presentation by representatives of HS2 Ltd.

The Chairman further reported that the next Meeting of the Bolsover Partnership and Parish Council Liaison Group would take place on 1 December 2016.

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### **DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS**

The Clerk reported receipt of the following Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circulars

1. 16/2016 DALC Annual General Meeting and Executive Meeting/National Minimum Wage Increase/Police and Crime Commissioner Funding for Community for Communities.

The Chairman reported for information that whilst attending the DALC AGM, he had the opportunity to meet with the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire, Mr Hardyal Dhindsa, who had indicated that during his term of office he would try to visit as many of the 383 towns and villages in Derbyshire as possible. The Chairman had issued an invitation for him to visit our four of them and attend a Parish Council meeting on the first working Monday of a month of his choosing.

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### **QUALITY STATUS - PARISH/TOWN COUNCIL SCHEME**

The Chairman reported for information that the Councils web-site was functioning satisfactorily

Councillor I J A Newham requested any contributions for the Winter Edition of the Councils News Letter be passed to him by 26 November 2016.

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### **PLANS**

The following plans were submitted and determined as indicated: -

1. 16/00437/FUL – Mr S Mason – Construction and Operation of a 20MW Peaking Power Generation Plant, Ancillary Equipment and Access – Land North and West of “Redwood”, Hilcote Lane, Hilcote

**NOT APPROVED.**

2. 16/00481/FUL – Demolition of Former Methodist Church and Construction of up to 3 Dwellings – Berrister Winning Methodist Church, New Street, Hilcote.

**NOT APPROVED**

3. 16/00513/FUL – Ms M Wilson – Change of use of site for sting of 3 static caravans – Land West of “Bareen” Bungalow and North of Hilcote Farm, Hilcote Lane, Hilcote.

**NOT APPROVED**

4. 16/00456/FUL – Mr R Stevens – Building of a Detached Double Garage in the Bottom Corner of Garden – 505 New Street, Hilcote.

**NO OBJECTIONS**

5. 16/00511 – Mr & Mrs R Stones – Proposed Garden Room – Blackwell House Farm, Huthwaite Lane, Old Blackwell.

**NO OBJECTIONS**

6. 16/00363 – Mr A Ridsall – Residential Development of up to 40 Dwellings (all matters reserved) land Opposite 132 Alfreton Road, Newton – this Planning Application would be determined by the Bolsover District Planning Committee Meeting on 9 November 2016.

The Clerk also reported for information receipt of an email from the Planning Department, Bolsover District Council, advising that British Telecom would be giving consideration to the removal of the telephone box telephone boxes situated at Tibshelf Road Westhouses and Meadow Grove/Main Street, Newton.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no items of correspondence for discussion.

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**DOE HILL COMMUNITY PARK**

Councillor I J A Newham reported for information his attendance at a Meeting of the Doe Hill Community Park Advisory Panel on 2 November 2016.

1. The Group had continued with litter picks and it was noted that there were large of amounts of litter in the car park.
2. The group had requested help at producing posters to encourage people not to leave litter and it had been indicated that the litter pin for the car park as promised by Tibshelf Pa5risdh Council would soon be in place.
3. The maintenance costs on average for the last six years were £2,390 per annum which just about covered the annual dividend from the sum held in trust by the Derbyshire Community Fund.

The next Meeting of the Advisory Group would take place on 23 March 2017.

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**BLACKWELL/NEWTON/ HILCOTE COMMUNITY CENTRES**

1. The Draft Rateable Revaluation of Blackwell/Hilcote/Newton Community Centre's for the financial year 2017/2018 had been received.

The Clerk had noted that with regard to Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre, it was still shown as a Club premises. He had been in contact with the Valuation Office who indicated that an appeal should be made against the Revaluation, but would not be considered until 1 April 2017.



The Clerk further reported that in light of health and safety concerns the bar shutter which had been damaged during a recent break in at Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre was in the process of being removed.

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**MEETING**

**RESOLVED** that the next Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council, be held at Hilcote Miners Welfare and Community Centre, New Street, Hilcote, on Monday 5 December 2016 at 7 p.m.

**The Meeting Concluded at 8 35 pm**