

BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council held at Newton Community Centre, Newton on Monday 1 September 2014 at 7pm.

PRESENT

Councillor N J B Willens (Chairman)

Councillors: D G B Bullock: I G Cox: C R Moesby: Mrs C Munks: I J A Newham: R A Poulter B Stocks: A F Tomlinson: and L.Walker.

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ALSO PRESENT

P C Lorna Evans Derbyshire Constabulary and six parishioners

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APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R J Sainsbury and Mrs P R Wilkinson

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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 B Clarkson, Blackwell, advised Council Members that outstanding works on Blackwell Trail had still required attention – these included seeding, footpath repairs and tree planting – there was no projected date for handing over the Trail to Derbyshire County Council Ranger Service

Mr I Farr, Newton advised Council Members that Public Footpath 15 was virtually impassable due to overgrown hedgerow etc, It was agreed that the Clerk write to the Footpaths Officer, Derbyshire County Council requesting that the overgrown hedgerow at this location be cut back without delay.

Councillor Mrs C Munks also advised Council Members that she would be speaking to the Head Teacher, Newton Primary School with regard to children attending the school depositing litter on Public Footpath 15.

Councillor L Walker, Hilcote queried the address of the Council and he was advised by the Chairman it was 169 Sheepbridge Lane, Mansfield.

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POLICE MATTERS

PC Lorna Evans, Derbyshire Constabulary attended the Meeting and advised Council Members

- 1 Crime Figures for July and August 2014
Police Drop in Surgeries
 - a. 6 September 2014 – 10 a.m./11a.m. Newton Methodist Church.
 - b. 18 September 2014 – 10 a.m./11am. Blackwell Community Centre.
 - c. 26 September 2014 – 10 a.m./11.00 a.m. – Hilcote Community Centre.

She further advised Council Members that a Community Panel Meeting would be held on 7 September 2014 – 2 p.m./3 p.m. at Blackwell Community Centre. This would give the local community an opportunity to discuss current issues with the local Police and influence local policing priorities

RESOLVED that PC Lorna Evans, Derbyshire Constabulary be thanked for her attendance and report.

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COUNTY COUNCILLOR C R MOESBY

County Councillor C R Moesby advised Council Members:

1. Planning Application for industrial unit at Markham Vale Business Park.
2. Ongoing enquiries with Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the weight restriction at Chesterfield Road, Huthwaite
3. Removal of speed humps in Hilcote
4. Pre-Planning Application for 126 dwellings at Newton.
5. Approval given by the Secretary of State for Communities of an incinerator at Sinfin which would be used by Derbyshire County Council and Derby City Council for burning household waste.
6. Families on low income contact www.Derbyshire.Gov.uk/freechildcare.
7. 11 Apprenticeships to be created.
8. Midland Railway – Butterley – 28 September 2014 “Drive a Loco” on Swanwick Branch Line.

In response to a question from Councillor R A Poulter. County Councillor C R Moesby advised him that the question of the County Council withdrawing School Crossing Patrols was out for public consultation.

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

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MINUTES

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 7 July 2014 were approved subject to Minute Number 87/2014 being amended to read "It was reported that a local resident had encountered difficulties with horses whilst walking her dogs on Public Footpath 21"

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CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

There were no confidential items.

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CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman reported for information:-

1. The annual pantomime (Cinderella) would be held at Newton/Blackwell Community Centres on 1 December 2014 at 9.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. respectively.

2. The Civic Service to commemorate the outbreak of World War One was held at St Werburghs Church, Old Blackwell on Sunday 3 August 2014 and was well attended and the Chairman expressed his thanks on behalf of the Council to the Vicar Reverend Gill Manley for a well organized service, the ladies of the Parochial Church Council for providing the buffet and to Dexter Bullock, Chair, Newton Carnival Team for providing the marquee.

3. Invitation to attend the Bolsover District Council Chairman's Charity Brass Band Concert on Friday 10 October 2014

4. The cleaning/regilding of the War Memorial at Newton would be carried out by Mansfield Memorials during the first two weeks of September 2014.

5. The Annual Remembrance Day Service would be held on Sunday 9 November 2014, Newton Community Centre at 3.00 p.m

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ALLOTMENTS

The Chairman reported for information that the next Committee Meeting of the Newton/Blackwell Allotment Holders Association would be held on 1 October 2014.

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HIGHWAYS

The Clerk reported for information

1 Planning Permission was awaited from Bolsover District Council to demolish the old wooden bus shelter at Old Blackwell.

2 Permission had been granted by Derbyshire County Council for planters to be installed by the Hilcote Environmental and Leisure Project at the junctions of Pasture Lane/Newton Lane and Berristow Lane/New Street Hilcote.

Following a suggestion from County Councillor A F Tomlinson it was agreed the replacement of the village Entrance/Exit sign at Main Street, Newton, be discussed at the Precept Meeting to be held in January 2015.

Councillor C Munks reported for information that Members of Bolsover District Council had been asked to collate a list of litter black spots.

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PLAYING FIELDS

The Chairman reported for information that the Solar Lighting at Tibshelf Road Playing Field, Westhouses had been repaired and was functioning satisfactorily.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from the Planning Department, Bolsover District Council advising that on 17 July 2014 it had received £30,000 Section 106 money with regard to Planning Application 12/00477 - Thurgaton Way, Newton.

The money was to be used in accordance with the Agreement i.e. For the replacement of the Play Facility at the Charnwood Crescent Public Open Space in Newton.

The money must be spent within 5 years of receipt and repaid (with interest) if not spent by then.

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Mr D G B Bullock, Chair, Newton Carnival Team requesting the Councils permission to use Charnwood Crescent Playing Field on

1. 7 November 2014 – Annual Bonfire and Fireworks Display
2. 11/12 July 2015 - Newton's 17th Annual Carnival.

RESOLVED

1. The letter from Mr D G B Bullock, Chair, Newton Carnival Team
2. Permission be granted, subject to Public Liability Insurance/Public Indemnity Insurance being in place and all necessary Health and Safety procedures being adhered to.

Councillor D GB Bullock declared a personal interest in the foregoing application and took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

Councillor D G B Bullock advised Council Members of a potential volunteer to open and close Bamford Street Play Area at weekends and also when the Parish Caretaker is on holiday.

It was suggested that the potential volunteer contact the Clerk for further information.

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FOOTPATHS

There were no reports with regard to footpaths.

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ACCOUNTS

The Clerk submitted a list of accounts for payment totaling £12368.32p and it was agreed these be paid.

The Clerk also furnished the following documents to 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.
2. Copy of the Councils Bank Statement.
3. List of Direct Debit Payments.

The foregoing documents confirm the to the Accounts and Audit Regulations (England 2011/817)

The Clerk handed to each Member present a redacted copy of the accounts for payment.

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BOLSOVER PARTNERSHIP

The Chairman reported for information:

1. Bolsover Partnership Executive Meeting to be held on 4 September 2014
2. Parish and ~Town Council Liaison Committee Meeting to be held on 15 September 2014.

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DERBYSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS

The Clerk reported receipt of the following ~Derbyshire Association of Local Council Circulars:-

- 15/2014 – Governance and Accountability for Local Councils.
- 16/2014 – Sustainable Communities Act.
- 17/2014 – Openness of Local Government Bodies. Regulations 2014.

The Chairman reported for information that the DALC AGM would be held on 9 September 2014

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QUALITY STATUS AND TOWN COUNCIL SCHEME

The Chairman advised Council Members that the Councils Website was functioning satisfactorily and Councillor I J A Newham was preparing the Autumn edition of the Councils Newsletter in readiness for printing.

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PLANS

The following Plans were submitted and determined as indicated:-

14/00374/PTO – Mrs B Leishman, The Farm House, Cragg Lane, Newton – to prune three sycamore trees (TPO -Bol. 26) – **no objections).**

Consultation – application by Mr P Bowman to install single wind turbine at Twinyards Farm, Huthwaite Lane
Old Blackwell – **objections were raised against this application.**

Councillor Mrs C Munks, as a Member of the Planning Committee, Bolsover District Council, declared an interest in the foregoing planning application/consultation took no part in the discussion and decision thereon.

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CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported for information receipt of a letter from the Regional Network Manager, Post Office, advising the relocation of the Post Office from Main Street, Newton, to “Costcutter”, Littlemoor Lane, Newton.

The Chairman referred to Derbyshire Association of Local Councils Circular 10/2014 (All Members had received a copy) which outlined the protocol on filming and recording of Council Meetings.

Following a lengthy discussion

RESOLVED

1. The Clerk contact Donut Creative Art Studio to arrange a trial run of recording and filming a future Meeting of the Council.
2. Contact Mr M Kane, Governance Manager, Bolsover District Council, for clarification of the protocol on filming and recording of Council Meetings.

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DOE HILL COMMUNITY PARK

Councillor I J A Newham reported for information that the next Meeting of the Doe Hill Community Park Advisory Panel would be held at Newton Community Centre, Newton on 24 September 2014 at 11. a.m.

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BLACKWELL/NEWTON/ HILCOTE COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Chairman reported for information that the Council has been advised by the Area Cleaning Supervisor, Derbyshire County Council that Mr S Stevenson, Part Time Caretaker at Newton Community Centre had resigned with effect from 31 August 2014.

Derbyshire County Council would be advertising the vacancy and carrying out interviews in due course.

Councillor C R Moesby declared an interest in the foregoing item and took no part in the discussion thereon.

The Chairman also reported that Mrs V Wilson would re-commence her duties as part time Caretaker, Hilcote Miners Welfare & Community Centre on 22 September 2014.

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MEETING

RESOLVED that the next Meeting of the Blackwell Parish Council be held at Hilcote Miners Welfare & Community Centre, New Street, Hilcote, on Monday 6 October 2014 at 7.00 p.m.

The Meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.