

# BLAISDON PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Blaisdon Village Hall, Blaisdon Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Those attending:	Cllr. Stuart Gent (Chair)	
	Cllr. Richard Boyles (Vice Chair)	
	Cllr. Kevin Baker	
	Cllr. Sam Spencer	
	Mr. Tony Hughes	Clerk
Apologies for Absence	Cllr. Eve Tonks	
	Cllr. Dave East (Observer)	
	County Councillor Brian Robinson (Observer)	

### 21. Health and Safety Procedure

The attention of those present was drawn to the procedures for evacuation of the premises in the event of an emergency.

### 22. Public Forum

#### (a) Public

There were no members of the public present.

#### (b) Reports from County Council and District Councillors

##### (i) County Councillor Brian Robertson

No report on this occasion.

##### (ii) District Councillor Dave East

The Clerk reported the following extract from an e-mail received from Councillor Dave East:

“ I am pleased to see the activated 40 mile sign now in place at Little London all helping to reduce accidents on the A4136. I have had a meeting with the police, highways and county councillor regarding a wall at royal spring fruit farm Little London which has been run into on a number of occasions. We are still looking at ways of making A4136 safer and the pull out at Blaisdon lane and Velthouse lane. The spine road at the northern quarter is now under way, all part of the regeneration plan at Cinderford, which when finally all completed will be a great improvement to the Forest of Dean.”

## 23. Minutes – 16 June 2016

### RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 16 June 2016, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### Matters arising

(a) Facebook Page and GL17 hub site

The Clerk advised that he would follow up with County Councillor Robinson issues of access to the Face book page and the GL17 web site to publish information to both these sites.

(b) Drains Report (Minute 20 (a) refers)

The Chair advised that he was in receipt of the Drains report and would make arrangements to circulate.

## 24. City Clerk's Report and Correspondence

The Clerk advised that there was no correspondence to report.

## 25. Finance

### (a) Financial Report for June and July 2016

The Clerk presented a financial report for the months of June and July 2016 which showed an operating balance of £4862.06 at 31 July 2016.

### (b) Invoices for payment and cheques for issue

#### RESOLVED

That the following payments be approved and cheques issued

Cheque No.	Payee	Description	Amount
000452	Open Spaces Society	Subscription Renewal	£45.00
000453	Penny's Pilates	6 Classes June/July	£327.00
000454	Mrs S Fowler	Independent Audit Fee	£50.00

### (c) Pilates Sessions and Hire Hall

The Chair advised that further invoices would be received for 6 Pilates' sessions for the period 20 July to 24 August 2016 at a cost of £327 and for the hire of Blaisdon Village Hall for Pilates' sessions June to August at a cost of £96. Together with the payment for classes June/July, the total cost of classes to date including hall hire amounted to £750.00 to be met from the Active Together Grant of £750 identified and reserved in the budget for the current financial year.

## 26. Planning Applications

Members considered the following planning applications received for consultation and

### RESOLVED

That the Forest of Dean District Council be advised of the following comments:

Description	Comments of the Parish Council
<b>Brook Cottage</b> - PA1003/16/FUL - Proposed two storey extension and alterations of foul sewerage treatment plant to replace existing septic tank	No comments or observations
<b>The Forge</b> – PA1122/16/FUL- Erection of garage (revised scheme of P0057/16/FUL	The Parish Council have no objection in principle to the planning application.  However the Parish Council would wish to recommend that the application be conditioned to ensure that use of the property is restricted to that of a garage/gymnasium and that no future permissions will be granted for change of use from a garage/gymnasium for any other use. This is to satisfy the Parish Council's concerns that the property should not be used as residential space or permanent or temporary living accommodation and that current planning regulations are complied with.

## 27. Planning Appeal Decision

Members noted the following Planning Appeal Decision

Description	Decision
The Old Tannery – change of use of existing holiday let to 1 residential dwelling	Appeal Dismissed

## 28. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at **7.45 pm**

Meeting commenced: 7.30 p.m.

Meeting finished: 8.13 p.m.

Signed:.....Chairman.

Date:.....2016