

BLAISDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in Blaisdon Village Hall, Blaisdon Wednesday 12 July 2017

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

22. 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.

23. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members present at the meeting.

24. Public Forum

The applicants associated with Planning Application P0988/17/FUL – Holmlea, Nottwood Hill, Blaisdon were present and given the opportunity to comment on their application.

25. Variation in order of business

Members agreed to vary the order of Agenda business by considering the following matters of business.

26. Planning Applications for Consultation

(a) P0947/17/FUL – The Mount House, Nottwood Hill - Proposed Conservatory

The Parish Council noted that there was an objection from the Ramblers Association relating to a footpath in the vicinity of the property. The Parish Council had no objection to the planning proposal which would restore the Listed Building into residential use.

RESOLVED

That the Forest of Dean District Council be informed that the Parish Council raises no objection to the proposal

(b) P0988/17/FUL - Holmlea, Blaisdon - Installation of a roof lantern on existing flat roof

The applicant who was present had nothing further to add to the proposals that had been submitted.

The Parish Council was of the view that the proposal would have little impact on its neighbouring area and had no objections to the planning proposal.

RESOLVED

That the Forest of Dean District Council be informed that the Parish Council raises no objection to the proposal

27. Minutes – 14 June 2017

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 14 June 2017, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Matter arising – 21 (b) Riding of illegal Motorcycles in Village

As further occurrences of this activity had appeared to have ceased since the last meeting, the Parish Council agreed that the proposed action be not pursued for the time being.

28. Reports from County and District Councillors

County Councillor Brian Robinson informed the Parish Council on the following matters:

- The membership of the Cabinet and portfolio holders
- The Chairs of Scrutiny Committees
- Issues relating to the delivery of Gloucestershire Children's Care Services and measures being taken to address the issues
- The commissioning of a company to provide broadband services to rural communities where there was still a deficiency.
- Investment for improving the surface condition of roads which needed to be carefully targeted and prioritised.
- The continuance of the Lengthman's scheme
- The introduction of a Road Safety campaign in the Autumn
- The Review of the size of District Council membership
- The introduction of a prevention of litter campaign
- The resurfacing of Chapel Lane, Nottswood Hill

29. City Clerk's Report and Correspondence

The Clerk advised that there was no correspondence to report.

30. Finance

(a) Financial Report for June 2017

The Clerk presented a financial report for the month of June 2017 which showed an operating balance of £5713.17 as at 1 July 2017.

(b) Invoices for Payment

There were no invoices for payment on this occasion.

31. Any other urgent business

Survey of Drains in the Village

The results of the Drains survey (conducted in October 2016) had been circulated to members of the Parish Council and the Chair invited members to consider a strategy for considering the report in the public domain. It was evident from the report that there were historic issues relating to the connection of drainage to some properties within the village and that prior to a public meeting taking place, contact be made with the householders concerned in order for a special meeting to be held with them. The advice of the County Council would be sought as to the Environment Agency and the Severn Trent Water Authority.

Meeting commenced: 7.45 p.m.

Meeting finished: 8.30 p.m

Signed:.....Chairman. Date:.....2017