

BLAISDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held in Blaisdon Village Hall, Blaisdon Wednesday 14 March 2018

Those attending: Cllr. Stuart Gent (Chair)
Cllr. Eve Tonks
Cllr. Richard Boyles
Cllr. Kevin Baker
Cllr. Sam Spencer

Mr. Tony Hughes Clerk

Apologies for Absence District Councillor Dave East (Observer)
County Councillor Brian Robinson (Observer)

No members of the public were present

79. 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.

80. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

81. Minutes – 14 February 2018

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 14 February 2018, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

82. Reports from County and District Councillors

The Parish Council noted the reports from Councillor Brian Robinson and Councillor Dave East.

83. City Clerk's Report and Correspondence

Noted

84. Planning Application P1985/17/FUL

Members considered the proposal for change of use of land from agricultural use to equestrian including the siting of two temporary mobile buildings. Following a suggestion made at its last meeting concerning the siting of the two temporary mobile buildings, the plan had been revised. The Parish Council had no further comments to make on the Planning Application. However, the Chair wished to ensure that proper provision would be made for the welfare of the horses including sufficient space for grazing and the provision of water.

85. Finance Report for

(a) Financial Report January 2018

The Clerk presented a financial report for the month of February 2018 which showed an operating balance of £5574.78 as at 1 March 2018.

(b) Invoices for Payment

RESOLVED –

That the following payment be authorised –

(a) Blaisdon Village Hall – £20.00 – Hire of Hall 18 October 2017 and 23rd November 2017 – Cheque 000475

(b) Clerk's Salary

Backdated payments of salary to the Clerk and PAYE need to be resolved and it was agreed that Mrs Baker be approached to see if she would be willing to aid regarding procedures on use of the PAYE on line portal or other arrangements.

(c) Purchase of Laptop, All-in-one Printer and fax, and software

The Clerk advised the Parish Council of the following recommended purchases to be met from the remainder of the Transparency grant. The Clerk recommend that the following items be purchased on line from Argos and, as previously agree, he would pay for the items and invoice the Parish Council for reimbursement.

| Item | Amount |
|--|----------------|
| HP Pavilion Pro 14-inch i3 8GB 256 GB Laptop - Silver | £479.99 |
| Microsoft Office 2016 Home and Student 1 User | £119.99 |
| Norton Security and Utilities 1 year 1 user | £19.99 |
| HP OfficeJet 6950 All-in-One Printer and Fax | £79.99 |
| TOTAL | £699.96 |

RESOLVED

That the Clerk be authorised to purchase the above items on behalf of the Parish Council and the Council would reimburse the Clerk for the expenditure on receipt of an invoice.

86. Arrangements for Annual Parish Assembly Meeting – Wednesday 18 April 2018

Further consideration was given to the availability of a guest speaker for the Annual parish Assembly meeting and as an alternative possibility inviting Catherine Harris, Dementia Friendly Community Enabler, Forest of Dean District Council to give a presentation on Dementia Friendly Communities

87. Date and Time of next meeting

Wednesday 18 April 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting commenced: 7.30 p.m.

Meeting finished: 8.12 p.m.