

# BLAISDON PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Blaisdon Village Hall, Blaisdon Wednesday 19 April 2017

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

### 99. 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.

### 100. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

### 101. Public Forum

No members of the public present. The meeting had been preceded by the Annual Parish Assembly meeting.

### 102. Minutes – 15 March 2017

#### RESOLVED

**That the minutes of the meeting held on the 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017, be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.**

### 103 Clerk's Report and Correspondence

The Clerk had no correspondence to report.

### 104. Finance

#### (a) Financial Report for period March 2017

The Clerk presented a financial report for the month of March 2017 which showed an operating balance of £2812.75 as at 31 March 2017. The report was noted.

**(b) Insurance Premium Renewal – Community First Trading**

**RESOLVED**

**That a cheque to the value of £157.78 be issued to ‘Community First Trading’ in renewal of the Parish Council’s liability insurance for the year commencing 1 June 2017.**

**105. Planning Application – Walnut Tree Cottage, Nottwood Hill – Planning Application P0229/17/FUL**

The Parish Council considered a planning application to erect a two storey side extension for carers accommodation, rear floor extension and associated works.

**RESOLVED**

**That Forest of Dean District Council be informed of the following observations and concerns:**

(1) The size of the extensions as shown on the plans resulted in excessive development to the original size of the property and was detrimental in the context of its location.

(2) The proposals involved a number of new bathrooms and questioned the effectiveness of the existing septic tank serving the property to cope with additional discharge.

(3) A public footpath traverses the boundary of the site and the leaching of effluent across the footpath has been the cause of concern to the Parish Council in the past and the subject of previous investigation.

**106. Electoral Review of the Forest of Dean: Warding Arrangements**

The Clerk drew attention to the commencement of a review of the warding arrangements by the Local Government Boundary Commission and the phase of consultation closed on 5 June 2017. Individual comments could be made to the commission by the visiting their web site [www.lgbce.org.uk](http://www.lgbce.org.uk) .

**107. Any other Business - Drainage Report**

Future consideration would be given to the process for considering the Drainage Report that had been produced following a County Council survey of drains in the village.

**108. Date of next meeting**

Annual Meeting - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at 07.45 pm.

Meeting commenced: 9.00 p.m.

Meeting finished: 9.15 p.m.

Signed:.....Chairman.

Date:.....2017