

BLAISDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held at Blaisdon Village Hall. Wednesday 19th May 2021 @ 7.30pm

In attendance:

Cllr. Sue Foster (Acting Chairman)
Cllr. Stephen Foster
Cllr. Stuart Gent

Mr Jonathan Martin Clerk

Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllr. Boyles.

189. Health and Safety Procedure.

The locations of the fire exits were reiterated.

190. Declaration of Interests.

None.

191. Public Forum.

None.

192. On the position of Chairman for the Parish Council.

Resolved.

To maintain Cllr R. Boyles as the Chairman of Blaisdon Parish Council.

193. On the position of the Deputy Chairman for the Parish Council.

This item was deferred to a later date.

194. On the position of the Clerk and RFO for the Parish Council. Resolved.

To maintain J. Martin as the acting Clerk and RFO.

195. On the schedule for 2020-21

It was agreed that the standing dates of every second Wednesday of the month should be kept unless no relevant business required attention.

196. Minutes – 14th April 2021

Resolved.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 14th April 2021, were approved as a record and signed by the Clerk on behalf of the Chairman.

197. Planning Application.

P0680/21/FUL. Stanley Lodge, Blaisdon Lane, Blaisdon, Longhope. Creation of a single storey extension and car part. Demolition of existing single storey extension and terrace.

Resolved.

The Council has no objections to the above modifications.

198. Clerk's Report and Correspondence.

There were no substantial matters to report.

199. Financial Report – February 2021

The report was emailed to the Councillors, no comments were made at the meeting.

200. Invoices and Payments.

The following back payments were inspected and authorised again.

Back payments:

- Website subscription £130.00 at 9/6/20
- Previous Clerk's Wages £380.26 at 18/2/2021, and £201.86 at 4/3/2021
- PATA £28.65 at 4/3/2021
- GAPTC training £100.00 at 4/3/2021

Clerk Wages – April. 19hrs x £10 = £190.00

Clerk's Expenses:

- 15/04/21 £2.58. First class large stamps.
- 23/04/21 £2.58. First class large stamps.
- Total of: £5.16.

Parish and Town Council Website subscription - £130.00

The point was raised on the matter of the previous Clerk, (Mr Huges) unclaimed wages, which he has failed to invoice the Council with. The Clerk will correspond with GAPTC as to the legal ramifications of this and report back.

201. Report on the co-opting a of new Councillor from the Clerk.

The process was explained to the Councillors and potential candidates would be contacted if they wanted the role. The results of this would be reported back in the next meeting.

202. To resolve on the exemption of the Parish Council from an external audit, as the Council's income is less than 25K p/a.

Resolved.

To declare the Parish Council exempt from an external audit.

202. Any other urgent business.

The report on the local flooding from Gloucestershire would be chased up.

The local waste to electricity station would be approached for the possibility of a councillor's inspection.

The preparations for the Annual Assembly were mentioned.

203. Date and Time of Next Meeting

9 June 2021 at 7.30 pm.

Meeting commenced: 7.30 p.m. Meeting finished: 8.05 p.m.

Signed: Date:2021