

**BLAISDON PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the Extraordinary Parish Council  
Meeting held at Blaisdon Village Hall. Tuesday  
23rd November 2021 @ 7.00 pm**

In attendance:

Cllr. Richard Boyles (Chairman)

Cllr. Sue Foster

Cllr. Stephen Foster

Cllr. Stuart Gent

Cllr. Nicola Atkinson

Clerk. Jonathan Martin.

Apologies: No apologies were received.

**251. Health and Safety Procedure.**

The locations of the fire exits were reiterated.

**252. Apologies.**

No apologies were received.

**253. Declarations of Interest & Public Forum.**

No declarations of Interest were made.

Members of the public raised issues on the nature of the current Standing Orders. The Clerk explained that these were currently under their yearly review and new, updated and more comprehensive Standing Orders would be adopted by the Council before the end of this financial year.

In answer to questions the Chairman explained what was meant by the declaring of interests.

Also, the Chairman explained why minute 241 of the meeting of October 20th 2021 was included as a last minute addition to that meeting. The reasons being that there was considerable interest in that planning application and that the opportunity to hold a meeting on this would have elapsed. He accepted that errors may have been made in regard to the allotted time limits for public consultations and procedure and apologised for any confusion this may have caused. It was then explained that the

function of this extraordinary meeting was to both confirm the minute in question and to allow another opportunity for a public forum on planning application P1692/21/PIP.

Lastly, the members of the public expressed confusion as to why the Council’s comments on the application were not restricted to the stage that the application was within its own procedures. The Chairman explained that when a planning application is open for comments anyone may make any comment they choose. Likewise, the Council is free to listen to these comments and make any material consultation on the application that it deems fit.

**254. To confirm minute 241 of the meeting held at October 20<sup>th</sup> 2021 over planning application P1692/21/PIP by resolution.**

Resolved.

**255. To confirm the submitted consultation made by the parish council in response over planning application P1692/21/PIP by resolution.**

Resolved.

**256. To resolve on any additional consultation comments that may be submitted over planning application P1692/21/PIP by resolution.**

Local residents gave a differing view on point 4 of the Council's submitted comments, in that access to groceries, medicine and education was not as limited as other opinions had asserted. That the Council had now performed two public forums on this application would also be included.

It was resolved to include this perspective and updates into the additional consultation comments that the council will submit.

**257. Any other urgent business.**

The Clerk confirmed to the Chairman that the date for the next ordinary Council meeting will be December 15<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 7.00pm.

Meeting commenced: 7.00 p.m. Meeting finished: 7.35 p.m. Signed:

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