

BLAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 19 JANUARY 2017 IN BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL AT 19:30

PRESENT: Councillors N C McCarron (Chair), R Johnson and P Schofield.

IN ATTENDANCE: P A Dennis (Clerk to the Council)

1) APOLOGIES

RESOLVED (1)

That apologies be accepted from Councillor P Oliver for absence from the meeting.

2) TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC ARE TO BE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING – None

3) DECLARATION OF PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS, OTHER INTERESTS, THE RECEIPT OF GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Councillor N C McCarron declared a non-pecuniary interest as a resident of Park Lane in relation to a planning issue on Park Lane.

4) MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17 NOVEMBER 2016

RESOLVED (2)

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 17 November 2016 be confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chair.

5) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None present

6) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – None

7) DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT

- a) Noise Monitoring & Environmental Sub-Committee – 1 December 2016 – **Noted**
- b) Airport Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee meeting dates in 2017 – **Noted**
- c) Noise Monitoring Equipment on Summerfields Drive

RESOLVED (3)

That it be noted that, despite extensive efforts by the Airport, the portable noise monitoring unit, which the Chair confirmed was not a mandatory provision, was still not working and that it looked likely that Peel Airports may need to consider the purchase of a replacement unit.

- d) easyJet Training 20/12/2016 to 16/02/2017 – **Noted**

e) Airport

(i) Airport Consultative Committee Meeting 12 January 2017

The Chair reported on new flights, best passenger figures to date, increased cargo movements, runway widening to ease manoeuvring arrangements for large aircraft and heavy goods vehicles, runway resurfacing, Meet and Greet Area expansion, new disability guidelines being introduced by the Civil Aviation Authority and a consultation on the control of drones near airports.

RESOLVED (4)

That the report be noted with thanks.

(ii) Question from Councillor P Schofield

In response to a question from Councillor P Schofield the Chair confirmed that representatives from organisations who regularly do not attend Airport Committee meetings had been written to.

RESOLVED (5)

That the response be noted.

8) POLICING ISSUES – None

9) DMBC AND EAST AREA COMMUNITIES TEAM ISSUES

a) Blaxton Roundabout Revised Planting Scheme – Resolution 3

The Chair reported on a visit to Walkers Nurseries and a planned visit to Branton Nurseries to discuss the supply of suitable planting for Blaxton Roundabout.

RESOLVED (6)

That the report be noted.

b) Your Views on Two Public Consultations – Presentation – **Noted**

c) DMBC PCJCC Draft Minutes 9 November 2016 – **Noted**

d) Mole Hills on Highway Verges

RESOLVED (7)

That no action be taken at the present time in respect of the mole activities along roadside verges in Blaxton.

e) VAR (Voluntary Action Rotherham) Email Bulletin 40 – 6 January 2017 – **Noted**

10) WARD MEMBERS REPORT – None

11) ACCOUNTS & FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Payments for authorisation in retrospect 29 December 2016

RESOLVED (8)

That the following payments be authorised in retrospect:-

| <u>Payee/Invoice No</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Net</u> | <u>VAT</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------|------------|---------------|
| DMBC 22706143 | Dog Waste Bin collections 27/06/16 - 18/09/16 - 3 bins @ £5.30 each for 10 weeks (2 weeks missed) | 159.00 | 31.80 | 190.80 |
| Need A Hand 1759 | 18/11/16 - install and remove Christmas Lights | 95.00 | 0.00 | 95.00 |
| Need A Hand 1763 | Replace damaged lock and hasp on War Memorial electricity supply box 30/11/16 | 20.00 | 0.00 | 20.00 |
| P A Dennis | Salary December 2016 | 363.74 | 0.00 | 363.74 |
| P A Dennis | Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance December 2016 | 23.60 | 0.00 | 23.60 |
| P A Dennis 203009441051 | Reimbursement for 1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/12/16 - 08/01/17 | 19.99 | 4.00 | 23.99 |
| HMRC | Month 9 Contributions | 92.40 | 0.00 | 92.40 |
| Total | | | | 809.53 |

b) Payments for authorisation 19 January 2017

RESOLVED (9)

That the following payments be authorised:-

| <u>Payee/Invoice No</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Net</u> | <u>VAT</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|----------------------------|---|------------|------------|---------------|
| P A Dennis | 10 metre cable from Christmas Direct for lights 29/11/16 | 13.12 | 2.62 | 15.74 |
| P A Dennis | Salary January 2017 | 363.74 | 0.00 | 363.74 |
| P A Dennis | Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance January 2017 | 23.60 | 0.00 | 23.60 |
| P A Dennis 203009655894 | Reimbursement for 1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/01/17 - 08/02/17 | 19.99 | 4.00 | 23.99 |
| HMRC | Month 10 Contributions | 92.40 | 0.00 | 92.40 |
| Total | | | | 519.47 |

c) Bank Reconciliation December 2016 – **Noted and Confirmed to Bank Statements**

d) Balances against the Budget to 13 January 2017 – **Noted**

e) YLCA Membership Fee 2017/18 – **Noted**

f) Smaller Authorities Transparency Fund

The Clerk reminded Council that grants were available to help 'smaller authorities' with a turnover of less than £25,000 meet some of the costs of complying with the requirement to publish certain information on a website.

RESOLVED (10)

That the Clerk be requested to submit a claim for grant for consideration by YLCA and NALC.

g) Review of Financial Regulations and Standing Orders

The Council was reminded of the need to review its Standing Orders and Financial Regulations Regularly

RESOLVED (11)

That the Council's Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be reviewed at the meeting to be held on 15 June 2017 and at the June meeting in each subsequent year.

h) Budget and Precept Setting 2017/18

The Council considered the Draft Budget prepared by the Clerk and a list of proposed developments.

RESOLVED (12)

That the Initial Draft Budget document for 2017/18 and the Development Planning and Precept Setting Spread sheet be received and noted.

RESOLVED (13)

That a total provision of £15,557 be included in the Budget for 2017/18 to enable the following developments to be undertaken during the financial year:-

- replacement fence along the Blaxton Playing Field Bank End Road boundary
- roadside seat near to the bus stop between New Street and Hillscroft Road
- resurfacing the War Memorial grounds
- three Village Entrance Signs

RESOLVED (14)

That the Precept for 2017/18 be set at £23,351 and that DMBC be notified accordingly.

i) External Audit Arrangements 2017/18 – 2021/22

RESOLVED (15)

That it be noted that PKF Littlejohn LLP have been appointed External Auditors for the Parish Council for the financial year 2017/18 for five years and that further information about the audit regime would be provided in due course.

12) PLANNING

- a) Draft Advice for Inclusion in Website – Resolution 10 – not yet produced – **Noted**
- b) Planning Application 17/00020/FUL – 52 Mosham Road, Blaxton, Doncaster, DN9 3AZ – Single Storey Rear Extension – **Neutral Comment – No Objections**
- c) Approved Planning Application 13/00531/TIP – Bank End Quarry – Inert Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Facility – **Update from Planning Enforcement on formation of Liaison Committee awaited – Noted**
- d) Submission of Nottinghamshire Minerals Local Plan – **Noted**
- e) Submission of Neighbourhood Plan Proposal – Regulation 16 Notification – Misson Neighbourhood Plan – **Noted**
- f) Misson Springs Fracking Updates – **Noted**
- g) Next Springs Road CLG meeting 9 February 2017 – **Noted**
- h) Summerfields Estate Green Space – **No issues**

13) CHAIR'S REPORT

a) Size of Parish Council

A discussion took place on the possibility of requesting an increase in the Membership of the Parish Council.

RESOLVED (16)

That the Clerk be requested to ask DMBC for guidance on the process of increasing the number of Members on the Council with a view to introducing a greater variety of views and experience to the Council.

b) Blaxton Public Footpath No. 2 – possible change of use of field to accommodate cows – **Noted**

c) Fly Tipping

The Chair reported on personal difficulties with getting DMBC to remove debris from the side of the River Torne adjacent to Thorne Road in an area used for fishing.

RESOLVED (17)

That the Clerk be requested to make the Clerk to Hatfield Town Council aware of the issue.

d) Horses

RESOLVED (18)

That, following recent reports about loose horses along roads in the area, the Clerk be requested to remind the office of Caroline Flint MP that the Parish Council had been promised an update on this issue after consideration at a meeting in Auckley which it was understood had been held earlier in January.

e) Park Lane – Update on issues relating to Planning Application 16/02002/FUL – **Noted**

f) Bank End Road Dyke

The Chair reported that the smell from the Dyke on Bank End Road at the start of Public Footpath No1 near to the entrance of Blaxton Playing Field was particularly bad.

RESOLVED (19)

That the Clerk be requested to notify DMBC about the issue of the smell from the Dyke on Bank End Road.

g) 20 MPH Speed Limits (Councillor P Schofield)

RESOLVED (20)

That the DMBC be requested to provide guidance on the introduction of 20mph areas and traffic calming measures in connection with an enquiry from a resident.

14) BLAXTON PLAYING FIELD – No Issues

15) BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL – No Issues

16) JOINT PLAYING FIELD

- a) Minutes 1 November 2016 – **Noted**
- b) Minutes 15 December 2016 – **Noted**
- c) Pavilion Update

Councillor R Johnson reported on progress with the Pavilion which it was hoped would be completed by the end of February 2017.

RESOLVED (21)

That Councillor Johnson be thanked for his report which was noted.

17) CORRESPONDENCE

RESOLVED (22)

The following correspondence be noted:-

- a) YLCA Training seminars in Planning and Development and Neighbourhood Planning
- b) Mass bright Bus service withdrawal - additional services by First to McAuley School from 3 January 2017
- c) SY Fire and Rescue Authority - Member Briefing December 2016
- d) Draft Public Service Ombudsman Bill
- e) YLCA – White Rose Update December 2016
- f) NALC Grants and Funding Bulletin December 2016
- g) 'Battle's Over' – A Nation's Tribute and WW1 Beacons of Light, 11 November 2018
- h) SY Fire and Rescue Authority – Member Briefing January 2017
- i) Clerks and Councils Direct January 2017

18) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED (23)

That it be noted that the next Meeting of the Parish Council was due to take place on Thursday 16 February 2017 at 19:30 in Blaxton Village Hall

Meeting closed at 21:30

Chair: _____

Date: _____