

## BLAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20 APRIL 2017 IN BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL AT 19:30

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

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

**1) APOLOGIES – All Present**

**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 16 MARCH 2017**

RESOLVED (1)

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 16 March 2017 be confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chair.

**5) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Residents who attended the Annual Parish Meeting had raised issues relating to overhanging hedges along Park Lane and noise caused by easyJet training flights. Explanations about the training flights had been given during the meeting however, Members felt that issue of overhanging hedges on Park Lane should be referred to DMBC.

RESOLVED (2)

That the Clerk be requested to contact DMBC about the issue of overhanging hedges along Park Lane.

**6) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – None**

**7) DMBC AND EAST AREA COMMUNITIES TEAM ISSUES**

a) Blaxton Roundabout Revised Planting Scheme – Resolution 5

Members considered the response from DMBC which explained that work to cut back a number of the plants, grasses and shrubs on the roundabout would take place over the next week. Any weeds and annual grass present would be removed and sprayed. Plants suggested for any of the bare areas were a selection of Phlox, Aster, Campanula and Potentilla for planting in blocks of 6 to 8. Since all were low growing they would provide ideal ground cover for the bare areas, help to suppress any weed growth and would flower for lengthy periods of the Summer and Autumn.

RESOLVED (3)

That DMBC be thanked for the report and that the offer to discuss the scheme on site be accepted.

b) Request for Guidance on Increasing Parish Council Size

RESOLVED (4)

That DMBC be thanked for the guidance on how a request to increase the size of the Parish Council would be dealt with and that the Clerk request further information from DMBC about the likely cost if the Council sought to progress this issue.

RESOLVED (5)

That the Clerk be requested to ask YLCA if it has knowledge about the experience of other local councils which have sought an increase in size.

- c) Agenda Public Rights of Way Forum 30 March 2017 – **Noted**
- d) Blaxton Public Footpath No1 – **Chair reported that footpath had been inspected and would be cut back after the nesting season.**
- e) Holocaust Memorial Day 2018 – **Noted**
- f) Community Safety Strategy Review – **Noted**
- g) Live Inclusive – Access Advice – **Noted**
- h) The Great Get Together – 17/18 June 2017 – **Noted**
- i) Digital Speed Display (DSD) Monitoring 31 March 2017

RESOLVED (6)

That the report on Digital Speed Display readings undertaken by DMBC on 31 March 2017, which showed that 20% of vehicles approaching Blaxton Roundabout along Thorne Road did so in excess of the 40mph speed limit, be received and noted.

RESOLVED (7)

That the Clerk be requested to ask South Yorkshire Police if this was an issue which they would investigate.

## 8) POLICING ISSUES

- a) SY Police and Crime Commissioner Newsletter March 2017 – Noted

## 9) DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT

- a) Noise Monitoring Equipment on Summerfields Drive

RESOLVED (8)

That it be noted that the monitoring unit would be installed on the Summerfields green space area when it was known that training flights would be taking place.

- b) Doncaster Sheffield Airport Consultative Committee Meeting 6 April 2017

The Chair reported on the meeting held on 6 April 2017 and the consultation about the transition from a ground based navigation system to a satellite navigation system.

RESOLVED (9)

That the report be noted with thanks.

#### 10) WARD MEMBERS REPORT – None

#### 11) ACCOUNTS & FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Payments for authorisation 20 April 2017

RESOLVED (10)

That the following payments be authorised:-

<u>Payee/Invoice No</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
Blaxton Village Hall Committee	Grant 2017/18	1,600.00	0.00	1,600.00
YLCA	Subscription 2017/18	397.00	0.00	397.00
DMBC <b>22951894</b>	Dog Waste Bin 12/12/16 - 2/04/17 – 3 bins @ £5.30 each for 16 weeks	254.40	50.88	305.28
N McCarron	Chair's Allowance 2016/17	120.00	0.00	120.00
Need A Hand <b>1792</b>	Cut and Strim grass on Joint Playing Field Ramp 17/03/17	50.00	0.00	50.00
Need A Hand <b>1801</b>	JPF 04/04/17 Cut back vegetation and apply herbicide to ramp access path and top slope.	275.00	0.00	275.00
Need A Hand <b>1800</b>	Clear weeds and waste from War Memorial and apply weed killer 04/04/17	30.00	0.00	30.00
P A Dennis	Salary April 2017	367.50	0.00	367.50
P A Dennis	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance March 2017	23.60	0.00	23.60
P A Dennis	Reimbursement for 1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/03/17 - 08/04/17	19.99	4.00	23.99
P A Dennis <b>9001150844</b>	Reimbursement 3 HP364XL Black Ink Cartridges	39.99	8.00	47.99
HMRC	Month 12 Contributions	93.20	0.00	93.20
<b>Total</b>				<b>3,333.56</b>

- b) Bank Reconciliation March 2017 – **Noted**
- c) Balances against Budgets to 31 March 2017 – **Noted**
- d) Supply of Roadside Bench – Resolution 14 – Persley Model ordered – £538 plus VAT – **Noted**
- e) Village Name Signs

RESOLVED (11)

That four 'Welcome to Blaxton' signs in Brooklands Green with gold borders and three pairs of posts be ordered from Signs of the Times at a cost of £3038.91 plus VAT.

RESOLVED (12)

That Members consider suitable alternative sites for the sign to be located on Thorne Road so that it represents more accurately the start of the Parish than the location suggested by DMBC.

- f) Auckley Parish Council – Request for Contribution towards Pedestrian Crossing on Hurst Lane, Auckley

RESOLVED (13)

That, after discussion and consideration of the request, the Council regretfully decline the invitation to contribute towards the provision of a pedestrian crossing on Hurst Lane, Auckley outside The Hayfield School.

- g) Spring Council Matters 2017 – from Came & Co Insurance Brokers – **Noted**  
h) Parish Precepts – NALC/YLCA Information – **Noted**  
i) Governance and Accountability Financial Guide 2017 – **Noted**

## 12) PLANNING

- a) Planning Application 17/00750FUL, Nei Pau Thorne Road Blaxton Doncaster DN9 3AX – New dwelling following demolition of existing bungalow. New boundary wall to front

RESOLVED (14)

That no objections be raised in respect of Planning Application 17/00750/FUL.

- b) Approved Planning Application 13/00531/TIP – Bank End Quarry – Inert Waste Transfer Station and Recycling Facility

RESOLVED (15)

That it be noted that the Planning Officer had requested the Applicant to respond about finalising the Section 106 Agreement on 23 March 2017.

- c) Springs Road Community Liaison Group – emailed on various dates  
d) Summerfields Estate Green Space – **No Issues**

## 13) CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported on a complaint received about loose horses and the need to plant more bulbs in the grass verge from the advance direction sign on Thorne Road to the first tree and also in the verge on Bank End Road adjacent to the Blue Bell

RESOLVED (16)

That a sack of bulbs be ordered when available and, that the Clerk be requested to include a note on the Council's website of the DMBC and Police numbers to contact in the event of loose horses being found.

#### 14) BLAXTON PLAYING FIELD

a) Vegetation Clearance along Bank End Road Fencing

Three quotations for cutting back vegetation along the Bank End Road boundary of the playing field were considered.

RESOLVED (17)

That the quotation from Viking Trees and Gardens for the sum of £850 plus VAT be accepted.

b) Fencing at the far end of the field – Contractor requested to inspect and rectify issues with missing clips on straining wires – **Noted**

#### 15) BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL – Annual Meeting 10 May 2017 at 19:00 - Noted

#### 16) JOINT PLAYING FIELD

a) Pavilion Update

Councillor Johnson reported that following extensive efforts to secure the completion of the contract for the new pavilion held by Dominion Developments Ltd without success, Finningley Parish Council had regrettably terminated the contract and arrangements were now in hand to have the building work completed by other contractors.

RESOLVED (18)

That Councillor Johnson be thanked for the report which was noted and that the Council confirm its support for the efforts to secure the completion of the project.

- b) Letter of Appreciation for Grant 2016/17 – **Noted with thanks**  
c) Joint Playing Field Minutes 29 March 2017 – **Noted**

#### 17) CORRESPONDENCE

a) YLCA South Yorkshire Branch nominations for Branch Chair, Vice-Chair and Representative to YLCA Joint Executive Board

RESOLVED (19)

That Duncan Wright and Derek Liddle be nominated respectively for Chair and Vice-Chair of the South Yorkshire Branch of the Yorkshire Local Councils' Associations (YLCA).

RESOLVED (20)

That the following correspondence items be noted:-

- b) Local Council Review – Article in the next edition on Neighbourhood Planning  
c) SYPTTE – Proposed Doncaster Bus Service Changes – July and September 2017  
d) NALC – Digital Councils Event, 25 May 2017  
e) NALC – Latest Funding and Grants Bulletin  
f) SYPTTE - Doncaster Bus Services from April/May 2017

- g) SY Fire and Rescue Member Briefing April 2017
- h) Tia Rescue Centre – **Clerk requested to ascertain if site approved for camping and caravanning**

**18) DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

RESOLVED (21)

That it be noted that the Annual Parish Council meeting was due to take place in Blaxton Village Hall on Thursday 18 May 2017 at 19:30.

Meeting closed at 22:00

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_