

## BLAXTON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 17 JANUARY 2019 IN BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL AT 19:35

**PRESENT:** Councillors N McCarron (Chair), P Schofield, R Dennis, R Johnson and J Scutt

**APOLOGIES:** All Present

**IN ATTENDANCE:** P A Dennis (Clerk)

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – None**

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 – None**

4) **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 22 NOVEMBER 2018**

RESOLVED (1)

That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22 November 2018 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

5) **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None Present**

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

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

a) Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety – Mosham Road – Resolution 4

A report from the DMBC Transportation Unit explained that it could cost £220,000 to provide cycle lanes along Mosham Road which was far beyond current budgets. The Unit does keep in touch with grant funding opportunities and would keep the Council's request on file for consideration in the event that funding became available in the future.

The Transportation Unit also explained that new schemes should ideally link to existing parts of the cycle network.

RESOLVED (2)

That the report be received and noted and that Councillor Scutt be thanked for his offer to identify existing cycle provision which could link up with Mosham Road.

b) **Public Rights of Way Forum Draft Minutes 18 November 2018 – Noted**

c) **Parish Councils' Joint Consultative Committee Meeting held on 14 November 2018 draft minutes – Noted**

- d) Draft of Refreshed Joint Charter for Partnership between DMBC and the Parish and Town Councils of Doncaster

RESOLVED (3)

That the Refreshed Joint Charter for Partnership between DMBC and the Parish and Town Councils of Doncaster be considered at the next meeting so that comments may be submitted in time for consideration at the next meeting of the Parish Councils' Joint Consultative Committee.

## 8) POLICING ISSUES

- a) Elected Member Updates

The Councillor Johnson reported that, in addition to the weekly updates of Police activities he was also aware of a number of recent incidents, some of which had not been included in the reports.

RESOLVED (4)

That the report be noted

## 9) DONCASTER SHEFFIELD AIRPORT

- a) Noise Monitoring and Environmental Sub-Committee Agenda – 06/12/18 – **Noted**

## 10) YORKSHIRE WILDLIFE PARK CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED (5)

That the Agenda for the meeting to take place on 23 January 2019, circulated on 16 January 2019 be noted.

RESOLVED (6)

That Councillor Schofield be requested to raise the following items at the meeting:-

- Seek confirmation that the penultimate paragraph of Minute 3 which reads "Members were reminded that their role on the Committee was to engage with YWP and to represent the organisations which had appointed them onto the Committee. The Chair highlighted that the Committee was not a forum for any personal agendas." does not prevent members raising issues from on behalf of their organisations.
- Confirm, under Agenda Item 4, if the Highways meeting considered the traffic impact of applications ES3937 and ES3925 to Nottinghamshire County Council and, if Yorkshire Wildlife Park had responded to the applications.

## 11) WARD MEMBERS

Invitation to meet with Vigo Group Representatives – **Potential dates awaited**

## 12) ACCOUNTS AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

### a) Payments for authorisation on 17 January 2019

RESOLVED (7)

That the following payments be authorised:-

<u>Payee/Invoice No</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
DMBC <b>24630939</b>	Dog Waste Bin 25/06/18 - 30/09/18 – 3 bins @ £5.63 each for 14 weeks	236.46	47.29	283.75
Tornado Mole Control	Rabbit Control 05/01/19 - 05/01/20	240.00	0.00	240.00
Need A Hand <b>1396</b>	Install Lights around War Memorial 01/12/18 and remove	110.00	0.00	110.00
Need A Hand <b>1397</b>	Trimming tree to allow lights installation at War Memorial 01/12/18	30.00	0.00	30.00
P A Dennis	Salary December 2018	374.67	0.00	374.67
P A Dennis	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance December 2018	23.60	0.00	23.60
P A Dennis	Salary January 2019	374.67	0.00	374.67
P A Dennis	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance January 2019	23.60	0.00	23.60
P A Dennis <b>203015902350</b>	Reimbursement for 1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/12/18 - 08/01/19	19.99	4.00	23.99
P A Dennis <b>203016188313</b>	Reimbursement for 1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/01/19 - 08/02/19	19.99	4.00	23.99
HMRC	Month 9 and Month 10 Contributions	190.40	0.00	190.40
<b>Total</b>				1,698.67

### b) Bank Reconciliation December 2018 – **Noted**

### c) Balances against the Budget to 11 January 2019 – **Noted**

### d) Possible Opportunities for Redevelopment or replacement of Blaxton Village Hall from Section 106 Funds – Village Hall Committee response awaited – **Noted**

### e) Defibrillator – Village Hall Committee response awaited – **Noted**

### f) NJC Salary Scales 2019/20 – Employment Briefing

*Councillor Dennis declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion or decision making.*

RESOLVED (8)

That the revised NJC Salary Scales for 2019/20 be noted and that the salary of the Clerk be adjusted accordingly.

### g) Community First Yorkshire

RESOLVED (9)

That the Council subscribe to Community First Yorkshire at a current annual cost of £35.

### h) Development Plan and Budget for 2019/20

Council considered a 'long list' of potential projects and individual items.

RESOLVED (10)

That a Budget of £29,817 be agreed for 2019/20 to include the on-going routine commitments identified by the Clerk and:-

- £4,000 for the purchase of a roundabout and replacement fencing between the car park and children's play area on Blaxton Playing Field
- £1,500 for a defibrillator in the event that this is subsequently approved after feedback by the Village Hall Committee
- £35 annual subscription to Community First Yorkshire
- £50 increase in the annual donation to the Royal British Legion and a reduction of £50 to the Grants budget

i) Precept 2019/20 – DMBC request for Precept details

RESOLVED (11)

That the DMBC request for Precept details be received and noted.

RESOLVED (12)

That a Precept of £23,762 be set for 2019/20, an increase of £411 on the 2018/19 Precept, to meet the budget requirement agreed at minute 12(h) above.

RESOLVED (13)

That the projected expenditure (£5,714) in excess of the Precept for 2019/20 be met from general reserves.

RESOLVED (14)

That the Clerk be requested to notify the Precept of £23,762 for 2019/20 to DMBC.

RESOLVED (15)

That it be noted that the Precept for 2019/20 actually represents a reduction in the Band D (Precept/Tax Base) of -0.06% from 2018/19 because the number of properties in Blaxton increased during 2018/19.

j) War Memorial Resurfacing site – Resolution 6

RESOLVED (16)

That it be noted that proposals were expected from the Architect by the end of January 2019 and that he be invited to attend the February Council meeting if available.

k) Use of Social Media

Further discussion took place on the opportunities for the Council to engage with the community via social media.

RESOLVED (17)

That the Clerk be requested to publish and develop a Blaxton Parish Council Facebook Page and that the usage and operation be kept under review.

l) YLCA White Rose Update November 2018 – **Noted**

### 13) PLANNING

- a) **Planning Application 19/00062/FUL** – 8 Fernbank Close, Blaxton, DN9 3PT – Erection of single storey extensions to side, rear and front porch following demolition of existing conservatory

RESOLVED (18)

That the Parish Council object to Application 19/00062/FUL because proper notice could not have been given to the registered owner of the land since it was established, as part of ownership enquiries on behalf of residents in 2012 (12/01933/FUL), that the owner could not be contacted at the registered address.

- b) Springs Road Community Liaison Group Agenda 24 January 2019 – **Noted**
- c) Summerfields Estate Green Space – **No issues**

### 14) CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported on a number of matters including recent grounds maintenance work on Blaxton Roundabout which had much improved its appearance, the absence of manhole covers at the Cadent Gas installation in the verge adjacent to Rose Cottage which had been reported, horses wandering on to Public Footpath No1 due to dilapidated field fencing, action taken in respect of an uprooted 'Bends' sign which had eventually been rectified after raising with a Ward Member and, a suggestion that Auckley Parish Council may be able to consider making a donation to help with the upkeep of Blaxton War Memorial.

RESOLVED (19)

That the Chair be thanked for her report which was noted and, that the Clerk be requested to approach Auckley Parish Council with the suggestion that a donation towards the upkeep of Blaxton War Memorial would be welcome since it was a site of remembrance which transcended Parish Council Boundaries.

### 15) BLAXTON PLAYING FIELD

- a) **Draft Signs – Playing Field Entrance and Ball Wall/Basket Ball Hoop**

RESOLVED (20)

That the purchase of two signs for display on Blaxton Playing Field to meet recommendations in the latest inspection report be approved at an estimated cost of £127 + post fixings.

- b) Bank End Fence Repair – **Noted that quotation awaited**

### 16) BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL – Committee not met

### 17) JOINT PLAYING FIELD

- a) Agenda 14 January 2019 – **Noted**
- b) **Section 106 Projects**

RESOLVED (21)

That it be noted that the following projects on the Joint Playing Field are likely to be approved by DMBC for support from Section 106 funds in the near future:-

- Adult Gym Equipment (one-off project)
- Field Enlargement and additional Storage (one-off project)
- Playing Surface Improvements (initially 3 years most probably extending to 10 years)

RESOLVED (22)

That the Council:-

- confirm its continued support for the facilities in the event of the Playing Field Association ceasing to exist
- accept the offer of Finningley Parish Council to manage the projects in liaison with the Joint Playing Field Association, subject to the provision of regular financial and progress updates to Blaxton Parish Council.

### 18) CORRESPONDENCE

- YLCA South Yorkshire Branch Meeting at 14:00 in Askern Town Council Offices on Saturday 9 February 2019

RESOLVED (23)

That Councillor R Dennis be authorised to attend the meeting on behalf of the Parish Council.

RESOLVED (24)

That the following items be noted:-

YLCA White Rose Update December 2018  
YLCA Advice Note 12 (refreshed) Committees of the Council December 2018

### 19) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED (25)

That it be noted that the next meeting of Parish Council was due to take place on Thursday 21 February 2019 at 19:35 in Blaxton Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 21:47

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

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