

## **BLAXTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 19:00 IN BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL**

**PRESENT:** Councillors R Johnson, J Scutt, R Cross and P Raybould

**APOLOGIES** – Councillor M Drury

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC** – None

#### **1) APOLOGIES**

RESOLVED (1)

That apologies for absence be accepted from Councillor M Drury.

#### **2) TO CONSIDER THE EXTENT, IF ANY, TO WHICH THE PUBLIC WERE 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 20 JULY 2022**

RESOLVED (2)

That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20 July 2022 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

#### **5) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION** – None present

#### **6) WARD MEMBERS REPORT** – None

#### **7) DMBC AND SOUTH AREA COMMUNITIES TEAM ISSUES** – None

#### **8) POLICING ISSUES**

##### **a) Community Speed Watch**

The Clerk reported that Community Speed Watch was currently on hold and an update from the PCSO was awaited.

RESOLVED (3)

That the Clerk be requested to reconfirm with South Yorkshire Police that the three Members of Blaxton Parish Council who have already been trained are still keen to assist with Community Speed Watch.

##### **b) Community Alcohol Partnerships – Meeting 05/09/22 Minutes received – Next Meeting 10/11/22 – **Noted****

##### **c) Vandalism Blaxton Playing Field**

The Clerk reported that there had been two separate incidents of damage to the benches in the play area in August. This had been reported to South Yorkshire Police. No further action was taken, but the report had been filed. Thank you to Councillor Johnson who had repaired the benches so they were safe to use while replacements are considered.

## 9) CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES

- a) DMBC Parish Councils Joint Consultative Committee (PCJCC) – Next Meeting 24/11/22  
– **Noted**

The 2022 version of the Parish Charter was circulated to Members who were requested to consider the revised Charter prior to adoption by the Council.

RESOLVED (4)

That Blaxton Parish Council formally endorse the 2022 version of the Parish Charter and the Clerk be requested to update the PCJCC.

- b) Doncaster Sheffield Airport Consultative Committee (ACC) – Meeting 26/07/22 Report received from Councillor Raybould with thanks – Meeting 22/09/22 Minutes awaited – Next 'Special' Meeting 29/09/22 – **Noted**

RESOLVED (5)

That it be recorded that Blaxton Parish Council is disappointed with the decision to close the airport and wish to support any proposals for the airport to remain open.

- c) Doncaster Sheffield Airport Noise Monitoring and Environment Sub-Committee (NMESC) – Meeting 23/06/22 Minutes circulated 07/09/22 – Meeting 22/09/22 Minutes awaited – **Noted**
- d) South Yorkshire Branch of the YLCA – Meeting 22/06/22 Minutes circulated 07/09/22 Next Meeting 26/10/22 – Members were invited to submit questions to Dr Billings (Police & Crime Commissioner) by 5 October 2022 – **Noted**

## 10) FINANCIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- a) Payments considered for approval on 28 September 2022

RESOLVED (6)

That the following payments be approved:-

<u>Voucher No</u>	<u>Payee/Invoice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Total</u>
48	Glendale Countryside Limited <b>GC4446-PC-03685</b>	Grass Cutting Playing Field, Car Park, Play Area etc 16 Aug 2022	42.16	8.43	50.59
49	P Reeves	Salary September 2022	476.03	0.00	476.03
49	P Reeves	Office, Telephone, Broadband Allowance September 2022	25.00	0.00	25.00
50	P Dennis	Salary September 2022	89.85	0.00	89.85
51	1&1 Ionos Ltd (P Dennis) <b>203032623698</b>	Reimbursement for 1&1 Website Hosting costs 08/09/22 – 08/10/22	23.00	4.60	27.60
52	HMRC	HMRC M6	22.40	0.00	22.40
53	PKF Littlejohn <b>SB20221406</b>	External Audit Fee 2021/22	300.00	60.00	360.00
54 JPF S106	Plevey & Sons Limited <b>INV-9140</b>	Joint Playing Field – Field Enlargement Project (part)	11,370.00	2,274.00	13,644.00
					14,695.47

Note: **JPF S106** above indicates 'expenditure on Projects on the Joint Playing Field met from the DMBC Section 106 Grant'

- b) Bank Reconciliation at 31 August 2022 – **Noted**
- c) Net Position to 26 September 2022 – **Noted**
- d) YLCA Training programme – Circulated 25/07/22, 25/08/22 & 07/09/22 – **Noted**
- e) Civility & Respect Pledge – Council was requested to consider passing a resolution to sign up to the 'Civility and Respect Pledge' (circulated 22/09/22)

RESOLVED (7)

That the Council formally signs up to the 'Civility and Respect Pledge'.

- f) Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) Dog Fouling & Control Consultation – Council was requested to consider the proposal to renew the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) Dog Fouling & Control – circulated 20/09/22.

RESOLVED (8)

That the Council respond with the following two suggestions on the proposed renewal of the Dog fouling and Dog control Public Spaces Protection Order;

**"Leads must be worn: 3. All sports grounds, fields, parks and pitches, which are maintained by the local authority and are not subject to 'Dog Exclusion', but only when in use for officiated sporting matches"** – That the addition of 'Organised Sports Training' be included and that a further requirement when 'Leads must be worn' be included when there is doubt in a dog's temperament/behaviour in the presence of other people and/or other dogs in a public area.

- g) Remembrance Service

Quotations had been requested from three Companies for the traffic management of the Remembrance Service on 13 November 2022. Two options were to be considered; Option 1 – Bank End Road closure for the duration of the Service at the War Memorial only; Option 2 – Bank End Road closure for the duration of the Service at the War Memorial plus rolling road closures/traffic management for a Parade down Station Road on to St Oswald's Church, Finningley.

Quotations for both options were received from two of the Companies and Council was requested to consider these.

RESOLVED (9)

That the Council accept the quotation for Option 1 from Chevron Traffic Management Ltd for £945 excl VAT and the Clerk contact all parties involved to provide an update.

- h) Park Lane

Councillor Scutt reported on the issues residents of Park Lane were experiencing;

- i) Speed bumps – there had been reports of speeding along Park Lane and a resident had installed a speed bump as a preventative measure. However, it was reported that a Council Officer had visited to request the speed bump be removed.
- ii) Fencing – there was still concern that the fence installed at the rear of 15 Hillscroft Road was over the boundary onto Park Lane and no progress had been made with queries raised with DMBC Planning and Highways departments.

RESOLVED (10)

That the Clerk be requested to make further enquiries to find out who would be able to assist with the above issues.

i) Plant/Floral Displays around the Village

Following suggestions for improving the appearance and visibility of Blaxton roundabout at the meeting with the Local Landscape Garden Designer on 21/07/22, the Clerk had contacted DMBC to seek advice on permissions and was awaiting a date for a site visit with one of the Highways Officers.

RESOLVED (11)

That the Clerk be requested to follow up on the site visit with the Highways Officer.

## 11) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a) Planning Application 22/01290/COU – Change of use from residential home (c3) to children's home for a maximum of 4 children (c2) – Bankswood, Thorne Road, Blaxton, DN9 3AX – 02/08/22 – Clerk's delegated powers 'Objection' for the following reasons;

"Blaxton Parish Council objects to this application for a number of reasons: In our opinion the placement of a children's home of this nature, in this location, is not in keeping with the surrounding properties. There are contradictory statements within the application about the number of vehicles that will need access to or park on site. One plan shows 10, the narrative indicates 4. Creating the number of parking areas will reduce or eliminate "open space" around the property. Children need open space. Access to and from the property is onto an unlit 60mph busy road. Possible overspill parking would be dangerous. The rear of the property is countryside, the front a main road. We are concerned, as indicated in the SY Police response, that if any of the children were to abscond, finding them might be difficult, time-consuming or place them in danger. We also agree with many of the statements made in the objection posted by a local resident. In summary, it is our opinion that this is not the right location for this type of support for children".

- b) Planning Application 22/01700/FUL – Erection of single storey side/rear extensions and the creation of pitched roofs over the bedroom and lounge bay windows to the front elevation – 3 Station Close, Blaxton, DN9 3AD – circulated 12/08/22 – Clerk's delegated powers 'Neutral response'.
- c) Planning Application 22/01126/FUL – Running of child-minding business from residential property (retrospective) (being variation of condition 5 of planning application 21/02966/FUL granted 10/12/2021 – change from 16 to 21 children) – 41 Lower Pasture, Blaxton, DN9 3RF – circulated 18/08/22 – Clerk's delegated powers 'Neutral response'.
- d) Planning Application 22/01883/FUL – Erection of single storey extension to rear, two storey extension to side and front porch extension – 21 Blue Bell Court, Blaxton, DN9 3BD – circulated 25/08/22 – Further information requested
- e) Planning Appeal 22/00022/REF – Residential development of up to 5 dwellings as entry-level exception site (access and principle only to be considered) (being resubmission of application 20/03082/OUT) – Land To The West Of Station Road Blaxton Doncaster DN9 3AF – circulated 22/09/22

RESOLVED (12)

That the Council respond with 'Nothing to add to previous comments'.

## 12) BLAXTON PLAYING FIELD

- a) Annual Inspection – report on the value of the annual play area inspection to follow at the next meeting – **Noted**
- b) Improvements to Blaxton Playing Field – Section 106 Funding (18/02593/FULM) – Section 106 – Site visit with contractor 28/09/22 – report and quotations to follow – **Noted**

## 13) JOINT PLAYING FIELD

- a) Playing Field Association

Meeting 13/07/22 Minutes circulated 22/09/22 – **Noted**

It was reported that the secretary of the Playing Field Association had resigned.

RESOLVED (13)

That Members request a meeting to discuss filling the vacancy of secretary and other matters in relation to the management of the Joint Playing Field.

- b) Blaxton and Finningley Joint Playing Field Improvement Projects Funded by Section 106 Grant (12/01327/EXTM)

S106 Projects Financial Monitoring Summary circulated 27 September 2022 – DMBC recently undertook a periodic monitoring session in compliance with the funding agreement and advised that they found everything to be in order, as was the case on all other previous monitoring sessions – **Noted**

## 14) BLAXTON VILLAGE HALL

### Village Hall Committee

It was reported that dates were being considered for the opening of the Village Hall over the winter months to provide a warm place for residents to gather for a hot drink and a chat. Members fully support these sessions for the benefit of the Community. Councillor Scutt to make contact with Finningley Village Hall to ensure dates did not clash as some local residents may wish to attend both.

## 15) DATE OF NEXT MEETING

That the next meeting of Blaxton Parish Council be held on Wednesday 19 October 2022 at 19:00 in Blaxton Village Hall

Meeting closed at 21.28

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

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