

BLEASBY PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of Bleasby Parish Council

Monday 13 February 2023 at 7.30 pm, in Bleasby Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Coombs (In the Chair), Winn, Wallin, Dunseath and McCormick

In Attendance: Lynda Ogilvie, Locum Clerk, Cllr R Blaney (NSDC) and 3 members of the public

Chair's Welcome

Chair welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 7.30

1. Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Roscoe and Andersen. Cllr S Saddington also sent apologies

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 January 2023

These were accepted as a Correct Record and signed

4. Public Participation

A member of the public asked about the status of the proposed play area at the Glebe Field. Council members explained that there were a number of obstacles which had been encountered, including the need for an archaeological survey, obtaining planning permission, restrictions on where any items could be placed because of the need for access to the graveyard, and the need for any equipment to be installed by hand-digging. In addition personnel who had been leading the project had been unable to continue. It was stressed that the Parish Council remains supportive of the project but needs members of the community to assist, and to suggest the type of equipment which would be suitable.

5 Report from District/County Councillors (*inadvertently omitted from Agenda*)

Cllr Blaney referred to the meeting held with Network Rail, and said that one of the outcomes was that signs at the crossings will be simplified, and made clearer for drivers to read,

6. Finance

a. To approve payments as listed on payment schedule, if any

The payment list, as circulated, was approved.

b, Any other matters appertaining to finance

Council agreed to reimburse Cllr Dunseath the sum of £254.57 in respect of clothing and equipment which is required for roadside working.

The Council's credit card cannot be used at the moment due to difficulties with the name on the card, which is Bleasby Parish Council. Lloyds Bank require

an individual name. This will need to be considered at a future meeting to resolve.

7. Planning –

a) 23/00051/HOUSE – Green Bank House, Station Road

Rear ground floor and first floor dormer window extensions. Juliet balcony to main first floor rear bedroom

There were no objections to this application.

b) 23/00047/HOUSE The Manor House, Gibsmere

Erection of new detached garage. Extension and conversion of existing integral Garage.

There were no objections to this application.

c) 23/00106/HOUSE Rose Cottage, Gibsmere

Proposed single storey extensions

There were no objections to this application.

d) 23/00072/FUL The Acre, Main Street, Bleasby

Proposed erection of one detached dwelling

Members did not support this application. There were a number of issues of concern about what are considered misleading comments in supporting documents, the implications of this development in the conservation area, and the visual impact on the street scene in this sensitive area.

e) Any other planning matters, including decisions

It was noted that a LDC had been approved at The Anchorage.

8. Correspondence, if any

Email received from a resident regarding play equipment at the Glebe Field. This was dealt with during Agenda Item 4.

9. Update on matters from previous meetings

a) Grips on High Cross

Cllr Coombs will speak to an engineer who may be able to advise. Will obtain quote for his services first.

b) Interactive speed sign

Cllr Saddington has requested this, but VIA has indicated that it is unlikely Bleasby would meet the criteria required. However, this will be pursued, and comment on the limitations of traffic survey undertaken last year will be forwarded to VIA to encourage a rethink.

c) Notice board at Goverton

Cllr Coombs has spoken to adjacent land owner, and he is happy for the notice Board to be placed close to his hedge. Via will be contacted to ensure that they are content with the proposed placement

d) Tree to commemorate life of HM Queen Elizabeth II

The tree has now been ordered, and delivery expected in February. Cost will be £169.74

10. To consider projects/events to mark Coronation

a) Report on recent meeting to discuss events

Councillors who had attended the meeting to discuss events reported on the activities planned over the period surrounding the Coronation.

It was agreed that road closure along Gypsy Lane will be requested between 12.30 and 5 pm. On 6 May. Affected residents will be informed.

Council agreed a budget of up to £2,500 to cover costs of this unique event.

11. Land and Assets

a. Jubilee Ponds

Nothing of note to report.

b. Glebe Field

Nothing of note to report.

c. Ferry End

Ulyetts have been approached to remove willows from this site.

d. Maintenance programme for coming year – instructions to Ulyetts

Instructions on work anticipated during the year will be given to Ulyetts.

12. Village Projects Update

a. Gypsy Lane

VIA to be asked if kerb stones could be placed along sections of Gypsy Lane to protect verges.

13. Green Spaces Working Group Update

a. Grasshoppers update

Leaders of the Grasshoppers group have updated information on the website, to provide information about work which will be undertaken, and meeting dates. The group has also addressed health and safety issues to ensure the safe working of volunteers.

14. Village Website – update on replacement administrator(s)

Nothing to report on this as yet.

The following item may be considered confidential, and if so press and public will be excluded

15. Recruitment of new Clerk

An interview had been conducted with a local person who had expressed interest in the role of Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer to Bleasby Parish Council.

Recommendation of the interview panel was that the candidate seemed eminently suitable, and Council resolved to offer the position to her. Locum Clerk will action.

16 Agenda items for next meeting

To be sent to Clerk at least 7 days before the meeting.

17. Date of next meeting –13 March 2023

There being no further business. Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 10.05 pm.