

BLEASBY PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of Bleasby Parish Council held at Bleasby Village Hall, Gypsy Lane, Bleasby on Monday 11th November 2019 at 7.30 pm

Present; Cllrs: P Cast, M Coombs, N Winn, S Andersen, R Wallin

Also, in attendance; NCC Cllr S Saddington, Parish Clerk Karen Green and 8 members of the public

Minutes

Chair's welcome – Thanks given to Edmund for setting up the room and to residents for coming out in unpleasant weather. Thanks given to members of the Flood Action Group who continue to monitor river levels and the parish drainage system. The Chair reported that river levels had fallen since the weekend's previous high levels.

Thanks given to the Parochial Church Council, the Wednesday Group and the Local History Society for ensuring an appropriate marking of Remembrance Day. Council noted that a wreath should have been provided by the Council.

BPC 19-225 Receive and accept apologies for absence - Cllr S Roscoe

BPC 19-226 Declaration of Members' Interests in Agenda Items - None

BPC 19-227 Receive Questions from the Public - A resident commented that the level crossing barriers were stuck last week and that there is no way for pedestrians to cross the level crossing in such circumstances – (NCC Cllr Saddington commented on this issue, below.)

A resident said that 4 flood wardens attended refresher training at NCC County Hall and that there was a meeting of BFAG to come next week. This is to discuss future developments and potential improvements to the parish flood management. Communication with Southwell and other parishes is important to get notification of road closures in the area.

A resident stated that speeding through the village early morning is bad at present. - addressed later on the agenda.

A resident reported that 'Google' still takes you to the old website **Clerk to liaise with Mike Fryer to get the old site closed**

BPC 19-228 Receive reports from Nottinghamshire County Councillor and Newark and Sherwood District Councillor - NSDC Cllr Blaney was not in attendance

NCC Cllr Saddington reported that; Confirmation that Cllr Saddington has put forward to NCC highways issues project, the resurfacing of the road from the station to Goverton.

Flooding- Wednesday night water levels will be at their height. The Chair questioned that there is a risk that individual road closures may block all roads and Parishes need to work in cooperation to avoid stranding road users. **Cllr Saddington suggested contacting the NCC Flood briefing officer and comment on the issue.**

- * Road closure information on the floods, when contacting Via, is 48hrs out of date. **Clerk to contact Derek Highton at NCC to notify them that living in a rural village the information is coming through late.** Cllr Saddington stated that for there to be a Kelham Bridge bypass it would cost £22-24 million.
- * Councillor Saddington commented on the railway barrier that has been stuck down last week. **Clerk to formally contact Network Rail to raise concern, copying in Cllr Saddington and Highways into correspondence.**

Cllr Saddington suggested interactive speed signs to deal with speeding through the village.

BPC 19-229 Receive and Approve Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14th October 2019. Thanks to Lynda Ogilvie for taking the minutes meeting voluntarily as a member of the parish.

**Proposal to approve the Minutes by Cllr Cast Seconded by Cllr Coombs
All agreed**

BPC 19-230 Finance

Receive Payment and Receipts report and consider the approval of any further additional payments to be made and add to the schedule

- a) Approve and sign Payment Schedule – approved and signed**

- b) Sign cheques approved for payment - approved**

- c) Payment card for bank account** - Council discussed the availability of a payment card to be attached to the current bank account at a cost of £50 and then £3 per month. This would enable Council to pay for things such as the website domain and telephone with the card. Some companies store a card and personal cards have been used for this in the past which is not ideal.

Proposal to approve use of a bank card attached to the current account at a start-up cost of £50 and then £3 per month

**Proposed by Cllr Andersen Seconded by Cllr Winn
All Agreed**

- d) Check of financial procedures and policies following Internal Audit and Public Inspection of Parish Council financial accounts**

Proposal for bank statements to be published on the website each month. The Bank statements and reports to be in line with Minutes published

**Proposed by Cllr Andersen Seconded by Cllr Cast
All Agreed**

- e) To consider and approve the Bleasby Events expenses of £25.68 for the Apple Festival and add to Payments list**

**Proposed by Cllr Andersen Seconded Cllr Cast
All Agreed**

BPC 19-231 Planning Items – Decision 19/01501/FUL Garden Cottage, Refused

- **Decision 19/01596/FUL The Acre, full planning consent**
- **Decision 19/01666/FUL 10 Manor close, Refused**
- **Application Bryfields Farm – query on status of planning condition associated with ‘agricultural dwelling’ noted**

BPC 19-232 Land and Assets

- a) Receive updates on the Jubilee Ponds, Ferry End and the Glebe Field and discuss works necessary**
Hedges have been assessed and quotes given for cutting back on Jubilee Ponds and Glebe Field. Jubilee Ponds requires gravel at the end of the financial year.
Thanks to Trent Valley Drainage Board for removing a damaged tree within 24 hours. **Clerk to send letter of thanks.**
Flooding has stopped maintenance by volunteers for the time being. Parish drainage problems will be discussed at the meeting with NCC next week.

- b) Dog Waste Bins – Proposal to buy the agreed 2 new dog waste bins from Glasdon. The metal Fido 35” in green.**

**Proposed by Cllr Andersen Seconded Cllr Winn
All Agreed**

BPC19-233 Highways matters - Maintenance of Shale Lane- NSDC has a microfiche of the original plans and attached conditions of the development of Oak Tree Close which have been forwarded to NCC. The Chair has submitted the agreed request for the adoption of Shale Lane by NCC. Case number FS155850269. There was a suggestion by a member of the public, to install a ditch along Shale Lane.

- * **Clerk to prepare a letter for residents of the lane re the proposed adoption of Shale Lane by NCC requesting feedback with respect of any understandings made at time of construction for any maintenance of the lane and its drainage.**

**Proposed by Cllr Cast seconded by Cllr Andersen
All Agreed**

BPC 19-234 Parish Plan Projects - development of the Orchard Close junction (including bench, planters, noticeboard and trees) and Gypsy Lane with the Conservation Area (including verges, dykes and parking) including measures to improve road safety, flood risk and parish communications

- * **Council to liaise with residents of Orchard Close regarding positioning of new planters etc. Cllrs Roscoe and Winn to continue their local enquiries and assessment of public response.**

Bleasby Conservation Area - The Church and churchyard is being well maintained, areas will be left for wildlife. The maintenance of Glebe Field is ongoing.

Cllrs Andersen and Coombs will meet to discuss verges and produce proposals for Conservation Area improvements and enhancements.

BPC 19-235 Environmental issues – towards Parish Council policies considering

- **Recycling Initiatives- ongoing**
- **The parish tree conservation strategy- Proposal to take offer of NSDC trees scheme, with an agreed planting and management plan**
Proposed by Cllr Cast Seconded Cllr Andersen All Agreed
- **Wildlife and landscape conservation across the parish - ongoing with the tree initiative**
- **Public responsibility and access to the countryside for all users – ongoing**

BPC 19-236 Receive Reports from working and steering groups to include

- **Flood Action Group working very hard. New members are needed. ~~Need to educate~~ newcomers to the village There is a need to educate newcomers to the village and there was a suggestion of an open parish meeting in the new year.**
- **Station Adoption project and initiation of associated possible level crossing area improvements – ongoing**
- **Events Group programme with particular reference to Christmas Lights event, Saturday 7th December- event application noted**
Cllr Coombs stated that provision of the Christmas tree had been organised. The final details will be determined at the following meeting of the Events Group.
- **Countryside and Footpaths Group - progressively assessing where repair of bridges is required along the Parish footpaths.**

BPC 19-237 Progress of Parish Plan and Steering Group's Annual Review – Defer to December 2019

BPC 19-238 Speeding concerns on Station Road – Referred to in traffic management plan. Option for action for speeding in this area states 'enforce 20mph limit'.

Proposal for Council to endeavour to support a traffic speed camera plan requiring volunteers from the parish.

Proposed by Cllr Coombs Seconded by Cllr Wallin

All Agreed

BPC 19-239 Gypsy Lane improvement strategy - as conservation area

BPC 19-240 Correspondence – NSDC Free Trees - above

Children's Bereavement centre conference - noted

NDSC Planning scheme of delegation amendments - noted

5 steps to fraud - noted

Nottinghamshire annual consultation on admissions arrangements - noted

BPC 19-241 Items for next month's agenda

Dog Owner document

BPC19-242 Date of Next Meeting - Monday 9th December 2019

Meeting closed at 9.48pm

I declare that the above is a true record of the meeting

**Signed
Chairman
Bleasby Parish Council**

Date