

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014  
7.30pm Bleasby Village Hall**

**Attendees**

Cllr James Bright (Chair)  
Cllr Chris Foster  
Cllr Elaine France (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Andrew Goodwin  
Cllr Rachel Horsley  
Cllr Jenny Sterland  
Cllr Roger Jackson (Part)  
Cllr Roger Blaney (Part)  
Julie Stone (Clerk) In Attendance

There was 1 member of the public in attendance.

**1. Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

**2. Public adjournment of the meeting**

- The Osprey Talk (Rutland Water) made £320 profit. Monies will be put towards the upkeep of the Village Hall.
- The Village Hall tables are on hire the night before the Christmas Fair. They will be delivered directly to the Glebe Field.
- The results of the recreational equipment survey will be made public as part of the next stage of the consultation.
- A parishioner raised concerns over the proposed play area and in particular safety and parking on Gypsy Lane.

**3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

The minutes were approved.

**4. Matters arising from those minutes**

- Cllr Bright is awaiting a response from Network Rail regarding the land near Manor Close.
- The adoption of Hawthorn Close pumping station will be put on the next agenda

**5. To receive reports from County & District Councillors and invited guests**

- The next Safer Neighbourhood Group meeting is 11<sup>th</sup> November 2014.
- There have been a couple of criminal activities reported to the police in Lowdham. Parishioners need to be extra vigilant at this time of year.
- There is an event at Kelham Hall on 25.11.14 covering the subject of what it means to be a local councillor.
- Bleasby will receive a better train service as of May 2015. Parishioners are urged to make the most of it and use it.
- The County Council legal team are looking into who owns the school drive.
- There have been incidents of fly tipping in the local area.
- Cllrs area urged to send pictures of over flowing gullies to Matt Duckworth in Highways.
- Highways have conducted a survey in the village to look at resurfacing the road.

**Action: Cllr Jackson/Julie Stone**

## 6. Chair of the Parish Council

Cllrs were all in favour of Cllr Bright continuing as Chair of the Parish Council and all Cllrs gave him their full support.

## 7. Planning

- a) New planning applications received prior to the meeting  
There were no new planning applications.
- b) Further planning applications received prior to the meeting  
There were no further planning applications.
- c) NSDC notices of decision to be noted  
14/01537/FUL - The Cottage Station Road – Permitted  
  
14/01577/FUL - 2 The Old Cottages Gypsy Lane - Permitted
- d) Any other matters appertaining to planning  
There were no other matters appertaining to finance.

## 8. Glebe Field

### a) Recreational Equipment

Cllr Horsley proposed that we moved to the next stage and have illustrations drawn up of the proposed play area to show to the community. The cost of the drawings would be approximately £260. Five Cllrs voted in favour and two voted against the proposal. The proposal was carried.

Cllr Horsley also proposed we apply for the LIS funding currently available. Four Cllrs voted in favour and three Cllrs voted against. The proposal was carried.

**Action: Cllr Horsley**

### b) Christmas Fair

The Christmas tree will be erected on the 27/28<sup>th</sup> November 2014. Cllr Bright proposed the monies raised at Bleasby Fest be put towards additional event lighting. The approximate cost would £50-£100. All Cllrs agreed. Details of a proposed smaller marquee are to be circulated.

**Action: Cllr Bright**

### c) Oak Tree Assessment in Glebe Field

This was assessed by a tree surgeon working in the village who concluded that the tree looked in good condition and did not require any immediate attention.

There is an Ash Tree sapling that has seeded on the edge of the Glebe Field and requires removal.

**Action: Cllr Foster**

### d) Bleasby Bikers Picnic Bench

To be carried forward to the next agenda.

**Action: Julie Stone**

### e) No Dogs Sign Glebe Field Church Gate

This is now in place.

### f) Church Yard Dyke

The Inland Drainage Board has yet to provide a response regarding the proposed maintenance of this dyke. This will be carried forward to January's agenda. In the meantime BPC will write

to the IDB and inform them that proposed works in the orchard will continue. Cllr Ogilvie proposed we install a membrane and cover in bark. Costs are to be provided.

**Action: Cllr France/Ogilvie**



## 9. Finance

### a) Accounts for payment

Clerks Salary

E.on – Glebe Field Electricity - £10.30

R Dixon – Glebe Field Sign - £24.00

Cllr France – Expenses - £55.74

St Mary's Church – War Memorial - £140.00 (Section 137 payment).

### b) Budget

A copy of the budget was provided to all Cllrs to review prior to the next meeting. The precept will be agreed at the December 2014 meeting.

### c) Any other matters appertaining to finance

There were no other matters appertaining to finance.

## 10. Environmental and Amenity Matters

### a) Defibrillator

All Cllrs voted in favour of purchasing a defibrillator. The proposed location was outside the Village Hall. Prices are to be obtained.

**Action: Cllr Ogilvie**

### b) Lengthsmen Scheme

Cllrs Bright & France to discuss the outstanding works with the Lengthsmen. Cllrs asked if he could also install the new litterbin.

**Action: Cllrs Bright/France**

### c) School Gates – Opening Times

The Clerk and Cllr Bright will meet with Mrs Town and a representative from the governors in order to resolve.

**Action: Cllr Bright/Julie Stone**

### d) Hawthorn Close Pumping Station Adoption

Awaiting a response. Deferred to the next meeting.

**Action: Cllr Bright**

## 11. Parish Council Internal Review

Cllr Bright and the Clerk are to review.

**Action: Cllr Bright/Julie Stone**

## 12. Complaints Procedure

A short statement is to be drafted regarding the procedures to be followed.

**Action: Cllr Ogilvie**

## 13. Jubilee Ponds Report

Commemorative planting of trees will take place on 29.11.14 from 10am – 12pm and 1pm – 3pm.

**Action: Cllr France**

## 14. Village Hall Report

Covered under item 2.

## 15. Flood Group Report

- Two combination locks are to be purchased for the storage shed.
- Peter Cast has looked at the Shelford gravel extraction plans and does not seem too concerned about the impact on flooding.

**Action: Cllr Foster**

**Agenda Items for the Next Meeting**

- Hawthorn Close Pumping Station Adoption
- Precept
- HMRC VAT reclaim

**Date of the next Parish Council Meeting - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2014 @ 7.30pm**

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**Signed:**

**Cllr James Bright (Chair)**

**Date:**

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