

Cllr P Blagg (chair)

Cllrs: S Fielding, I Jones, G Robinson, B Ayton, Keith Gosling and Clerk S MacDonald.

Guests: A Haddon, J Palmer

4870 Chairman's Report

Cllr Blagg said that the previous year had been very interesting and challenging. He was voted to chairman after the resignation of the previous chair. A few months later the clerk resigned leaving the council short of admin assistance. A locum clerk had stepped in to help and finally a new clerk had been placed into position. Hopefully, then the following year would be more stable.

4871 Clerk's Report

The clerk said that as she had only been in place for 3 months, she had little to report. She did say however that she had prepared the year-end financial report which would tell the members all about the happenings of last the last financial year.

4872 To receive reports from local community groups

a) Neighbourhood Plan

A Haddon stated that this project had taken far more time than anyone had expected, mainly because it had constantly evolved, which resulted in more research each time. The latest draft has been submitted to be written up in "planning speak" and for the policies and projects to be checked, with evidence.

On May 16th it is due to be sent to Head Office at which time the members will need to ensure they are happy with policies before it goes to Bassetlaw District Council for sustainability appraisal.

This project has taken an enormous amount of work from just a few people and the main contributors are now struggling to find more time to devote to the final consultation stage and so more volunteers would be needed. This has been the main disappointment with the project including the lack of response and input from members of the Parish Council especially since it is a Parish Council led project.

Work so far has included,

- i.) An initial survey issued by the project to all residents, yielding 305 responses being returned and analysed.
- ii.) Questionnaires being compiled
- iii.) Race Night consultation event
- iv.) At least 10 further meetings with other community groups
- v.) Other events

The project has had meetings with officers from the District and County Councils on issues raised and to commence or continue plans relating to the country park, flood management, highways and wildlife projects.

against site 195, there were differing opinions of how to display could never have been ready to precede the site 195 planning generic design briefs in the plan.
main policies followed by a final revision of draft after the results are known. It will then be submitted to the Inspector, further reviews following his comments. Then the publication of the document, a village referendum and finally adoption. BDC will organise this referendum.

b) Friends of Woodlands and Coachwood Green

The friends have continued with their care and maintenance works on site although hampered by some bad weather, however where they have worked has been noticeable.

The main focus has been an association with Eaton Productions who adopted the friends as their 2013-2014 charity. This provided hand tools and materials for the production of site signage, information boards and bird boxes. The bird boxes have been assembled and erected on site. The site continues to be used by many others, a Harris Hawk trainer, orienteer's, joggers, dog walkers, cyclists, wild life watchers and picnickers.

A number of projects are in progress,

i.) Completing the signage and information boards

ii.) A new access path from the south east corner of the site, which has been funded by Notts CC LIS programme

iii.) The development of a wildlife meadow as part of the Coronation Meadows Project.

iv.) The development of a linear gym is ongoing and we are looking for sponsors and funding options for this.

We have had talks from SK58 Birders about garden birds, and another on Bees their life and pollination by Margaret Edge. Also Cllr Ayton has spoken about the history of the site from Woodlands the house to the colliery and its closure and demolition.

The friends are making an application for Body Corporate status which is a condition to the Homes and Communities Agency for funding of £30k plus which will allow us to engage professional consultants to progress to a planning application for the development of the visitor centre etc. We hope to hear the outcome of this application in the net 2 weeks.

Anyone is invited to the meeting Thursday 15th May at 7.15pm when we are meeting to develop a brief for the project.

Finally Cllr Ayton has resigned as secretary after the AGM, we thank her for all she has done. She has been succeeded by Eric Haykin.

4873 Election of Chairman

Cllr Blagg was proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Gosling. This proposal was carried unanimously.

4874 Election of Vice Chairman

Cllr Jones was proposed by Cllr Blagg and seconded by Cllr Robinson. This proposal was carried unanimously.

any topic raised by residents.

ice: Cllr C Atkinson and Cllr T Hunt

4877 Declaration of Interest:

None were declared.

4878 To receive reports/information from County & District Councillors

Cllr Sybil Fielding:

The 20 minute parking zone around the shops has been drawn up and started along the legal process. This however could take up to 6 months to come to fruition.

Potholes on Shireoaks road have been drawn to the Notts CC who are now checking on funding for re-surfacing.

A survey has been done for a new bus stop near Coach Road, coming in from the A57, as presently there is only one on the outbound side, and passengers must alight inbound onto the grass verge.

This is not suitable for disabled passengers.

The recycling plant on Shireoaks Road run by Notts Recycling is now in administration following the numerous fires and breaches of their licence.

4879 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 8th April 2014

The minutes of this meeting were proposed by Cllr Gosling and seconded by Cllr Jones with the following amendment, 4868 should read paving of the Village Garden and not playground as stated.

4880 Matters arising from the previous minutes

4866: planning

14/00223/OUT – the letter from Shireoaks Parish Council in response to this application does not open on the BDC website. An email is to be sent to planning. **ACTION: Clerk**

BDC Site Allocation - A letter was sent asking questions of the Chairman of planning, with no responses to date. A letter asking for this response is to be sent. **ACTION: Clerk**

Also an advert appeared in the Worksop Guardian on March 28th, 2014 advising a deadline of 18th April 2014 which was contrary to the date given to the council. A letter is to be sent to question this. **ACTION: Clerk**

4881 Resignation of Cllr Palmer

A letter was received from Cllr Palmer with his resignation from the Parish Council. A letter is to be sent to Cllr Palmer thanking him for his contributions and efforts over the years towards the Parish, and the co-option process is to be started. **ACTION: Clerk**

4882 Bus stop at the end of Coach road

Despite being told that a new bus stop was being proposed for the end of Coach Road, a letter is to be sent to highways asking why this was not planned to be done with all the other bus stops in the village, which have been raised and renewed. The work took effort and money but now this will be

stop is made. This seemed like a wasteful use of council
Clerk

date.

After a consultation with Simon Britt from BDC. One of the quotes from Hirst was seen to be professional but quite expensive. However it was proposed by Cllr Jones and seconded by Cllr Robinson. An enquiry is to be made as to how much funding is available from BDC to help in this restoration. If the funding covers, or nearly covers, the quote, then Hirst can be contacted to move this project onto the next stage. **ACTION: Clerk**

4884 Insurance Renewal

The yearly insurance renewal quote has been received from Came & Co. It had been increased by approx £10 and so the members agreed to renew again with the same company. **ACTION: Clerk**

4885 Annual Clock Maintenance

Time Assured who carry out this maintenance had contacted the clerk to say that this work would be done a week ago. However Cllr Ayton pointed out that no-one had asked her for the key. An enquiry is to be made to make sure this work was actually carried out. **ACTION: Clerk**

4886 Best Kept Village Competition

a) Grass Cutting:

A discussion was made as to the standard of grass cutting by the new contractors this year. It was thought that at the moment the village would not pass an inspection by the BKV judges. Apparently grass cutting was hampered by the rain in the last 2 weeks. This meant that if cut when wet the grass would block up cutting machinery. The contractors have promised to come this week, whilst the weather was Ok to cut the grass. Also a schedule would be given to them to catch up on cuts and bring the grass back in time for the BKV competition. They need to cut this week as stated, then w/c 6.6.14 and w/c 20.6.14. **ACTION: Cllr Blagg**

The contractor who cut the grass last year had asked some members for feedback on why he had lost the contract. A letter is to be sent to explain the members decision. **ACTION: Clerk**

It was also decided that the daffodils should NOT be cut down until they had died down more in order to ensure their bloom next year. It was stated that last year the area around the duck race was strimmed by the WI and this caused the loss of bluebells which had been bought especially. A letter is to be sent to the WI to ensure this does not happen this year. **ACTION: Clerk**

b) Tubs and plants:

A quote had been secured for the plants, to be placed in the various tubs around the village. The supplier stated that they would maintain last year's prices and so an order is to be placed to ensure the tubs are planted in time for the BKV competition. **ACTION: Clerk**

Also some of the tubs around the village have been damaged and need replacing. An order is to be put to the supplier to replace these too. **ACTION: Clerk**

The clerk will contact the handyman to agree a mutual date when all the goods can be delivered to the village to enable the handyman to plant up the tubs. **ACTION: Clerk**

4887 To approve the end of year accounts 2012/2013, ready for audit.

The clerk presented a pack which showed the financial position of the Council at the start and end of the year. Also a comparison of actual spend against the budget that was set for the year. These accounts are now to be audited, returned to the council and then submitted to external auditors. After this a notice will be placed in the notice board explaining that anyone can examine these accounts by contacting the clerk. **ACTON: Clerk**

Nat west Current	£36,872.99
Nat West Reserve	£8,439.36
Nationwide Clock Fund	£887.30
	<u>£46,199.65</u>

The following Cheques are still unpresented

CPRE (BKV) competition	1415	6.00
Village Hall	1414	105.00
		<u>111.00</u>

Payments received since last meeting (already in total above)

	rec	
Woodlands grant	15.4.14	18000.00
	rec	
Bassetlaw DC	28.4.14	7087.50
	rec	
Interest	31.3.14	1.04
		<u>25087.50</u>

The following are to pay this meeting

D Gower wages	1427	356.15
D Gower HMRC	1428	54.00
Clerk wages S MacDonald	1426	486.20
North Notts Grass Cutting	1431	264.00
SWHL	1429	500.00
Came & Co	1430	281.14
NALC training	1432	30.00
Village Hall rent	1433	180.00
Adele Haddon N Plan	1434	120.00
Mellors Plant & Earthwork Limited	1435	201.60
Dale Nurseries	1436	181.90
Harrisons Garden centre	1437	99.96
		<u>2754.95</u>

After the above movements the balances in the bank accounts will be:

Nat West Current	£34,007.04
Nat West Reserve	£8,439.36
Nationwide Clock Fund	£887.30
	<u>£43,333.70</u>

any Ltd, Coach Close, Shireoaks
14/00373/HSE 1 Coach Road, Shireoaks
For both of the applications above a letter of no objection, with conditions, will be sent to BDC.
ACTION: Clerk

c) Decision Notices – none received

4890 Correspondence

4891 Member’s reports and exchange of information on matters of concern.

Concern was raised by residents as a car constantly parks in Rhodesia opposite the Woodend Pub. This is on a bend and opposite white lines. This is outside Shireoaks boundary but residents use this route to come into the village and they feel this is a hazard. Clerk is to send letter to Notts Police.

ACTION: Clerk

Some businesses had complained about the closure of Shireoaks Common last year for the carnival, especially as the parade did not actually come through Shireoaks Common. A letter is to be sent to the Carnival committee expressing this concern. **ACTION: Clerk**

The WI have said that next year is their 70th year and are looking for good causes to donate money to that they have raised. The members were asked to nominate ideas for this money.

Another concern from residents was traffic going into Woodsetts Cricket club. A letter is to be sent to the secretary’s of both Woodsetts and Shireoaks clubs asking drivers to have consideration of pedestrians along this track into the club. **ACTION: Clerk**

4892 Proposed date of next meeting – Tuesday 10th June at 7.15pm.

The meeting closed at 9.40 pm.

Signed

Date 10th June 2014