

## **MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**MONDAY 13TH APRIL 2015**

**7.30PM BLEASBY VILLAGE HALL**

### **Attendees**

Councillor France (Chair)

Councillor Sterland ( minutes)

Councillor Goodwin

Councillor Foster

### **1) Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors Ogilvie and Horsley and from District Councillor Blaney.

### **2) Public adjournment of meeting.**

A parishioner questioned whether £300 received from County Councillor Jackson for play equipment should be returned.

### **3) Approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

These were approved.

### **4) Matters arising from those minutes**

There were no matters arising.

### **5) To receive reports from County and District councillors and invited guests.**

Councillor Roger Jackson stated that the potholes on the School drive are to be repaired.

The sum of £300 donated by him to the Parish Council is to be retained.

### **6) Risk assessment review and approval to 31 March 2015.**

The dates of reviews need to be noted for the new Parish Council.

All councillors were in agreement with the review and it was approved.

### **7) Finance.**

a) Accounts; Flowers for Wendy Howe (formerly of the Village Shop) £15.98

Flowers for Julie Stone ( former Parish Clerk) £25.00

b) Any other matters appertaining to finance.

Bleasby Parish Council Financial Regulations were presented and considered to be in order and were formally adopted by the Parish Council.

### **C) Approval of accounts.**

These were considered to be in order.

### **8) Planning**

a) 15/00499/FUL.

May House ( formerly the post office), Main Street.

Planning was unanimously approved.

b) There were no new planning applications.

c) No notices of decisions had been received.

d) There were no other matters appertaining to planning.

### **9) Recruitment process for new clerk**

Three application packs have been sent out to interested parties.

### **10) Audit process update.**

It was decide to apply for a deferment.

### **11) Correspondence**

a) Village broadband went live on April 2<sup>nd</sup> with a photo call for villagers. Service has to be applied for by the subscriber.

b) Regarding the re-surfacing of the road, some of the grates and driveways need attention. Councillor France has contacted Keegan Cook concerning this.

c) The fly tipping noticed by villagers on Goverton Hill has been removed.

d) The adoption of the pumping station in Hawthorn Close is underway by JLES Central.

### **12) Glebe field**

a) Terms of use.

The Conditions and Regulations for Usage were reviewed and unanimously approved.

b) Application for use for Summer Fair by Bleasby School Friends Association to welcome the return of Bleasby Bikers. This was unanimously approved for 18<sup>th</sup>. July 2015, 1-4pm.

### **13) Environment and amenity matters.**

a) Defibrillator.

Councillor Ogilvie has ascertained that there should be weekly checks and batteries need to be replaced every 4-5 years (cost £200). Electrodes need to be replaced every 2 years(cost £60). It was decided that this project should be implemented. The defibrillator should be installed by a qualified electrician at the electricity kiosk in the Glebe Field. Approved unanimously.

b) Lengthsman scheme.

Councillors France and Ogilvie have met with Martin, the village lengthsman, who is willing to continue He has worksheets and schedules, but no timescale for work. The appropriate times of year for certain jobs need to be taken into account. He has his own equipment and insurance and has undertaken Health and Safety training. His fee is £15 per hour. A new Parish Councillor will need to liaise with him.

c) Speeding between Goverton and Thurgarton is ongoing.

d) Land at Hazelford.

A parishioner has offered legal help regarding this.

e) Footpath Modification orders.

The Bleasby footpath no.22 and Fiskerton cum Morton no.3 is to be modified.

f) Bleasby News Church payment.

Councillor Sterland is to follow this query up.

g) Noticeboard for Goverton.

The old noticeboard was to be renovated but it is beyond repair. A quote for a new noticeboard of high specification was £850 ,inclusive of VAT, for a free standing one and 3680 for a wall mounted one. It was felt that a new noticeboard should be unobtrusive. It is to be on next month's agenda as suggested by Councillor Goodwin.

A quote for the renovation of the Parish Council noticeboard outside the Glebe Field was £360 including VAT which was approved unanimously.

h) Poppy seeds.

Councillor Foster will scatter poppy seeds.

i) Maypole.

This has been completed and painted. Unfortunately it is too late for a ceremony this year. Councillor France suggested installing the pole for a short time only on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and will liaise with the provider.

j) Sludge in the dyke near the Glebe Field.

Councillor Goodwin suggested asking the Lengthsman to clear this and observe.

#### **14) Jubilee Ponds Report**

The Annual General Meeting is to be held on Wednesday 15th April.

#### **15) Village Hall Report.**

There was no news.

#### **16) Flood Group Report.**

The new flood signs have arrived. Councillor France and Peter Cast have labelled the new equipment and cleared and updated the store. The tarpaulin has been chewed by mice. Replacement cost would be £14-£17. Waterproof Storage boxes x 5 are needed for the jackets etc. These would cost £6.00 each. This expenditure of £30 was approved.

At this point Councillor Goodwin suggested that it would be in order for Colin, the Publican, to issue a letter of permission for the Parish Council use of the shed at the Wagon and Horses for storage of the flood equipment. Are there also insurance issues? Councillor France will take action over this.

#### **17) Agenda items for next meeting.**

Audit.

Accounts

Appointment of new clerk

Councillor Jackson's offer of a contribution for new noticeboard.

#### **Closed Meeting.**

Members of the public were requested to leave the meeting.

#### **18) Employment Matter.**

All Parish Councillors present disapproved of the use of Social Media for Parish Council purposes.

#### **19) Website control**

James Bright is willing to continue to oversee the Bleasby Village Website. However, Councillor France expressed concern about legal Implications and management.