

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BLAKESLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 11TH FEBRUARY 2020
AT THE READING ROOM, CHURCH STREET, BLAKESLEY AT 7.30PM**

PRESENT: Cllr A. Cockerill (Chair), J. Reynolds, M. Gulliman, W. Stewart and P. Simons

Also present Linda Paice, Parish Clerk and two members of the public.

1	2493	APOLOGIES were received and accepted from Cllr Burbidge and Cllr Hopewell					
2	2494	CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS were noted.					
3	2495	No DISPENSATION REQUESTS had been received in advance of the meeting. No DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST were made at this point. Members were reminded of the REQUIREMENT TO UPDATE REGISTER OF INTEREST FORMS as and when necessary.					
4	2496	It was RESOLVED that MINUTES of the Meeting of the Council held on 14 th January 2020, having been previously circulated, be signed as a true record, in line with Standing Orders					
5	2497	ISSUES MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WISHED TO RAISE – None There were no reports from the COUNTY or DISTRICT COUNCILLOR .					
6	2498	FINANCE –6.1a) It was RESOLVED that the following accounts be paid:					
		Chq No	Amount	Incl VAT of	Payee	Details	Power
		300839	£530.55) £. 3.44) ££533.99		Linda Paice	Salary Expenses	LGA 1972 s112LGA 1972 s 112
		300840	£117.80		HMRC	Tax	LGA 1972 s112
		300841	Cancelled	cheque			
		300842	£37.68	6.28	TLC	Faulty tree lights	Section 137
		300843	£49.00		NCALC	Training fee	LGA 1972 S111
		300844	£40.00		Information Commissioner	Data protection fee renewal	LGA 1972 s111
		300845	£2580.00	430.00	Brampton Valley Training	Tree works	Open Spaces Act
		300846	£624.00	104.00	Nick Burbidge Contracting	Replacement gate at the playing field	Open Spaces Act
		300849	£57.60	9.60	DNH Contracts	Dog bin maintenance	Open Spaces Act
		Direct debit	£89.19	4.24	SSE	Electricity	Highways Act
		6.1b) It was further RESOLVED that the following payments be made under Financial Regulation 6.5					
		Chq No	Amount	Incl VAT of	Payee	Details	Power
		300847	£35.00		Carey Bayliss	Noticeboard repairs	LGA 1972 s111
		300848	£921.28	153.55	TBS	Village Hall bin storage	Open Spaces Act
		6.2 To note any RECEIPTS - £70 burial fee; £9458.85 SNC re NHB play equipment grant. 6.3 The Council's bank balance at 31 st January 2020 was noted as £88573.14 6.4 Issues raised by Cllr Reynolds following his latest examination of the accounts to December 2019 had all been resolved. A query on PAYE was recorded as being a liability of the Clerk. 6.5 Details of receipts and payments to December 2019 had been previously circulated and were noted					

		6.6. In advance of annual audit, the Council confirmed that it was satisfied with its internal controls terms of reference.						
7	2499	<p>7.1. Although not shown on the Agenda, it was RESOLVED that the following PLANNING APPLICATION be considered:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Application no</th> <th>Details</th> <th>Comments</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>S/2020/0161/LBC</td> <td>Listed building consent for replacement windows at Priory Farmhouse</td> <td>N objections</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>7.2 PERMISSIONS – Tree works on the Green 7.3 REFUSALS – Studio at Southbourne House 7.4 OTHER PLANNING ISSUES – a) Following a recent application at 40 Old School Lane clarification was passed on to members relating to the LPA's position on applications outside but adjoining the current confines where changes were proposed in the Local Plan Part 2</p>	Application no	Details	Comments	S/2020/0161/LBC	Listed building consent for replacement windows at Priory Farmhouse	N objections
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8	2500	<p>REPORTS</p> <p>8.1 PLAYING FIELD – a) Requests for quotations for the proposed storage building had now been sent out but nothing received to date. Further papers would be sent to one company who said they had not been received and clarification was given following queries raised on the base and roof of the building b) The side pedestrian gate had been replaced. c) Stuart Bleazard on behalf of Sporting Blakesley updated members on the request from Towcester Football Club to use the field for a single junior match on Sunday and Saturday from October 2020 which was agreed. d) The Maintenance Agreement with Sporting Blakesley would be sent to them to sign and return. e) Notice of a rent review had been received from Foxley Trust. This had been circulated, noted and agreed</p> <p>8.2 HIGHWAYS – a) At least some of the reported blocked drains had been addressed but it was not know whether all had been covered. b) Damaging of the footpath and churning up of the verges opposite the Greyhound on High Street would be reported. c) Advertising signage on the Greens Norton Road had been referred to Enforcement at SNC. d) The possible opportunity for funding for road markings via the Police and Crime Commissioner had proved too difficult to progress in the time limit set. The Chair would be meeting with highways the following day with regard to the area around the school including a possible zebra crossing. e) There was discussion regarding a suggested possible parking area on the playing field but this was not progressed. f) The Chair had circulated possible suitable signage for Collswell Lane and Old School Lane which the Clerk would follow up with NCC and the Police.</p> <p>8.3/8.4 There were no RIGHTS OF WAY and LIGHTING issues.</p> <p>8.5 BURIAL GROUND - a) There were still grave and waste piling issues to be addressed. The Clerk would speak to Cllr Burbidge in this regard.</p> <p>8.6 ALLOTMENTS – Nothing further reported.</p> <p>8.7 OTHER REPORTS – a) Nothing further to report on the allotments extension. b) The Clerk highlighted that it was not considered best practice to have only one Website Manager which was currently her. It was RESOLVED to raise this again when a new Council was in post after the May election. Cllr Reynolds asked if Neighbourhood Watch could have a more prominent place on the site and the Clerk would look into this. c) It was RESOLVED that the Clerk work towards registration of the Barton Holme entrance land d) Colin Beasley had been contacted to put forward his suggestion on the strip of land on the road to the Village Hall which he had identified as belonging to him. e) A quotation had now been received for installation of an electric vehicle charging point at the Village Hall. Stuart Bleazard agreed to pass on further information on such installations. There would need to be liaison and agreement with the Village Hall Committee.</p>						

9	2501	CORRESPONDENCE. – General correspondence was noted.
10	2502	CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS –None
11	2503	ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA – None requested
12	2504	DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Tuesday 10th March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Reading Room.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.10pm