Minutes of the Seventh Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 20th November 2017 at 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Jankinson, Ainscow, Boyd, Collingwood (arrived 8pm), Compton, Morris, Rogers, Selwood and Tayler.

Apologies: Cllr Keates SBC Cllr Bishop

87.   DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

        Cllr Tayler declared an interest in Planning App S/OUT/17/1821- Kingsdown NC5.

The meeting was taken into Recess when Chris Minors, Persimmon Homes, gave a presentation in relation to the proposed development at Kingsdown NC5. The Outline Application is on the Agenda and was discussed under Planning Applications, Persimmon remained to hear PC discussions.

88. MINUTES OF THE SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING

     Proposed by Cllr Boyd, seconded by Cllr Compton, all agreed they be accepted as a true record.

89. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES 16th October 2017

1. Blunsdon Village Map – ready to be installed.

      b) Methodist Church – awaiting feedback on the Market Rent Assessment. *Clerk to chase.*

1. Meeting with SBC Cllr Toby Elliott -  Chair gave an update on this meeting when the accumulative effect that limited infrastructure and increased traffic has on the village was acknowledged by SBC

planners. Further investigation into use of Sec106 monies from TGV to help mitigate the effects.

Meeting with Ainscough and SBC Cllr Elliot to be held re Golf Course Site.

      d)   Village Hall insulation - no grant available from SBC as not a residential building; advice

             sought from VAS who have provided a few organisations to investigate. *Clerk to investigate.*

f) No response yet from SBC re gritting schedule.

g) PC agreed to hold two full monthly meetings on the first and third Monday of each month. Finance

to be dealt with on the second meeting of the month.

90. FINANCE

a) Cllr Compton proposed and all agreed, Payments 98 – 112 totalling £13,366.77 and Receipts

1. – 117 totalling £6,927.75.
2. RFO confirmed that appeal against HMRC fine had been successful.
3. RFO explained additional monies of £1893 owed to St Andrews in respect of transfer of funds.

St Andrews will not have bank account until new clerk appointed in December, and further adjustments will be needed as Blunsdon still incurring some of their costs.

1. Review of charges required – RFO to submit suggested increase in line with CPI 3%, this will be an Agenda item for 18th December. *RFO to supply.*

91. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/LDP/17/1783: Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) for the erection of garden store/garage.

At: Portquin Cottage Broad Bush Blunsdon SN26 7DH

Granted – Certificate of lawful development.

S/HOU/17/1493: Erection of two storey rear extension and pitched roof to existing dormer window.

AT: The Cedars Widhill Lane Blunsdon SN26 8BX

Planning Permission Refused

S/HOU/17/0853: Erection of garden store

AT: Church Cottage Burytown Lane Blunsdon SN26 7DQ

Planning Permission Granted

S/17/1570: Erection of an extension to rear and installation of roller shutter doors.

AT: Unit L Hargreaves Road Groundwell Industrial Estate Swindon SN25 5AZ

Planning Permission Granted

S/OUT/17/1032: Outline application for the demolition of Hill Cottage and erection of up to 100 no

dwellings with associated open space, landscaping, road and draining infrastructure – Means of Access

not Reserved.

AT: Land at Hill Cottage Blunsdon Hill Swindon SN26 8BZ

Planning Permission Refused

92.  PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/HOU/17/1749 Erection of a single storey rear extension

AT: Gambles End, Back Lane, Blunsdon SN26 7BJ

PC agreed to support but noted a room labelled “meeting room” which was of concern and therefore a residential only clause o be requested.

S/17/1442 Erection of field shelter

AT: Home Farm, 51 High Street, Blunsdon SN26 7AG

PC agreed to support as not aware of any Planning reason to object.

S/OUT/17/1821 Outline Planning Application for mixed use development comprising up to 1650 no dwellings, a local centre (Use Classes A1-5, D1, C2 and C3), a primary school (Use Class D1), public open space, landscaping, new vehicular accesses including a bridge across the A419 and associated works. (Means of access not reserved).

AT: Kingsdown Swindon

PC Planning Committee to consider on 7th December

S/17/0863 Erection of a 20MW flexible electricity generation facility (FEGF), 3no. containers, sub-station, 3metre high security/acoustic fencing, CCTV and associated works.

At: Land Off Turnpike Road, Blunsdon Swindon REVISED

PC agreed to object. All previous objections still stand. No environmental considerations/fumes listed in documents, Highways still await swept path.

S/HOU/17/1815 Erection of detached garage and first floor office

AT: 114 High Street Blunsdon SN26 7AB

PC support in principle but require clarification as plans differ showing an internal staircase on one and an external staircase on another.

S/AGRI/17/1884: Prior Approval Notification for the erection of a general purpose agricultural building.

AT: Upper Burytown Farm Burytown Lane Blunsdon SN26 7DQ

PC agreed to object because of the close proximity to an ancient monument, the building is situated a good distance form the farm. In addition, the PC were concerned about access ad the removal of significant trees.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Linden Homes – hoardings erected that may not have permission and impact on Bridleway. Reported to SBC – advised this will be investigated but is low priority.

93. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

       LVIA has been submitted to NHP group and reviewed, amendments made and is now complete.

Technical Support, from the Localities Team, has also been secured – this will help with site allocation

assessment.

The Plan will be submitted to SBC in January for a Healthcheck and completion is expected by the

middle of 2018.

94. ALLOTMENTS

The PC discussed the suggested charges for Allotments. All agreed that the Allotments should be self

financing as it should not fall to all residents of the Parish to subsidy a facility used by a few.

In addition, the PC agreed that if there was a surplus of allotments these could be offered outside of the

Parish at the suggested higher amount.

95. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 20TH NOVEMBER 2017

1. Clerks and Councils Direct
2. Local Councils Update 211
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4. Email – Mr&Mrs Dunn (non-resident) – request for reservation of Ashes Plot. *Approved Clerk to confirm to resident.*
5. Letter Mr Coombs Little Paxton – re liability for up keep of Verge/Vegetation
6. Email from Historic England – War Memorial now a Listed Building

96. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cllr Rogers attended a Highways event – SBC had no answers re congestion on A419.

Cllr Rogers was also asked to attend the NEV Connector Road Consultation.

97.   PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Ainscow - enquired about grass cutting – confirmed no further cuts this year are scheduled.

Cllr Compton – reported that the flooding on Ermin Street (old people`s bungalows) was still an issue.

*Clerk to report.*

Cllr Compton – requested an update on recent meeting with Hills and SBC re Widhill Lane. Chair

confirmed meeting went well and that notes from Rachael Adams would be shared with Cllr Compton.

*Chair to send notes to Cllr Compton*

* Reported that the War Memorial needed cleaning and restoration. *Clerk to progress.*

Cllr Boyd – confirmed Village Maps ready to install.

- asked about DPO – Clerk confirmed we await guidance from WALC.

- advised that Hills have removed signs for Disposal Site and HE will be removing signs

on A419.

- advised that he would be suggesting the purchase of a defibrillator from next years budget.

Cllr Selwood – reported that he would represent the PC on the Rights of Way liaison group. *Clerk to*

*send details.*

Cllr Jankinson – reported that the new WEB and Facebook page would go live on 1st December 2017.

New look and feel of WEB shown to PC.

- advised that a meeting had been scheduled on 7th December to discuss proposed

development at Land North of Sams Lane.

98. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Cllrs were summoned to attend the next meetings: Monday 4TH December at 7.30pm, at

Blunsdon Village Hall.

**Summary of Actions**

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