Minutes of the Eighth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 4th December 2017 at 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Jankinson, Ainscow, Boyd, Collingwood, Compton, Keates, Morris, Rogers, Selwood and Tayler.

Apologies: None

99.   DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Cllr Collingwood and Keates declared an interest in Planning App S/AGRI/17/1884 – Upper Burytown

Farm.

100. MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING

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

101. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES 20th November 2017

1. Methodist Church – feedback received in respect of Market Rent, which is comparable to the

average price per square foot for office space, however the space in question is not comparable.

*Clerk to arrange follow up meeting.*

1. Discussions about alternative office solutions took place. *Cllr Selwood to investigate Modular solution. Clerk to approach Blunsdon Surgery.*

      c)   Village Hall insulation - *Clerk to obtain quotes and complete Expression of Interest - Hills*

d) War Memorial to be cleaned in Spring, PC accepted quote from Halestone. *Clerk to arrange*

102. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

None

103. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/HOU/17/1881 Erection of first floor front extension

At: 4 Broad Bush Blunsdon SN26 7DH

PC agreed to support as not aware of any Planning reason to object. *Following meeting SBC advised*

*likely Refusal.*

S/HOU/17/1924 Partial conversion of garage into habitable space

At: 43 Bramwell Close Kingsdown SN2 7SN

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

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

S/AGRI/17/1884 - The PC make further objection as although the description of the application is general purpose agricultural, the narrative clearly states that there is an intention to expand the livestock element of the farm. The PC are therefore concerned that this building will be used to house livestock, and as such this type of usage is not permitted under this application. In addition, the increase in traffic on Burytown Lane is a concern as it’s a narrow lane and not fit for use by heavy traffic. Ancient trees have also been felled and the PC are concerned about further felling to create access and that the trees already felled may have been protected. *Clerk to submit additional comments*.

Kingsdown NC5 – Cllrs Boyd, Jankinson and Keates are meeting on 7th December to discuss this application to make comment to SBC. PC invited to submit any thoughts for consideration.

104. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Consultants have been appointed to provide Technical Support with the Site Assessments.

LVIA is now complete and work is underway on a Village Design Guide, this will set the tone for

how building in the Village should look.

105. SBC POLICIES & PROTOCOLS REVIEW

PC agreed to adopt WALC/SAC response to this consultation.

106. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 4th DECEMBER 2017

None

107. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Blunsdon Village Hall – new lights are needed for the Christmas Tree. *Cllr Boyd to source.*

108.   PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Morris - commented that the new Web page was a big improvement however, his contact details

are missing. *Clerk to amend.*

Cllr Morris asked what role the PC played in community celebrations for Christmas and said that he

was happy to attend or do readings if required.

Cllr Jankinson - advised that the Home Page on ne Web should not remain once tab had been

selected. *Clerk to amend.*

Cllr Boyd – reported that he could not get agreement from the Garden Club to maintain the ground

Opposite the Methodist Church, as it was completely overgrown. *Clerk to get GM Contractor to*

*action.*

Cllr Boyd – asked for an update on salt/grit bin. *Clerk to chase*

Cllr Jankinson – updated the PC on the leaflet and queried information for Kingsdown. PC agreed to

add ATM at CoOp and progress design.

Cllr Jankinson – updated the PC abut the need for staff reviews to be conducted. *Clerk to arrange.*

Cllr Ainscow – reported that the hedge in the recreation ground had been cut back, and that the

boot scrapes needed moving. *Clerk to arrange with GM Contractor.*

Clerk – advised that at least 6 Members were required to make Code of Conduct Training cost

Effective. Cllrs Tayler, Ainscow, Jankinson, Collingwood, Selwood and Morris to attend.

*Clerk to arrange and advise.*

109. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Cllrs were summoned to attend the next meetings: Monday 18th December at 7.30pm, at

Blunsdon Village Hall.

**Summary of Actions**

Methodist Church – *Clerk to arrange follow up meeting.*

Office accommodation - *Cllr Selwood to investigate Modular solution. Clerk to approach Blunsdon*

*Surgery.*

Village Hall insulation - *Clerk to obtain quotes and complete Expression of Interest*

War Memorial to be cleaned in Spring, PC accepted quote from Halestone. *Clerk to arrange*

Upper Burytown Farm - *Clerk to submit additional comments*.

Blunsdon Village Hall – new lights are needed for the Christmas Tree. *Cllr Boyd to source.*

Web Page – *Clerk to amend details and Home page*

Boot scrape and Land opposite Methodist hall – *Clerk to speak with GM Contractor*

Grit Bin – *Clerk to chase*

Staff Reviews – *Clerk to arrange*

Training – *Clerk to arrange*

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