Minutes of the Seventeenth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 23rd April 2018 at 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall.

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

Apologies: Cllrs Collingwood & Tayler

201.  DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Recess – A resident addressed the Parish about planning application S/HOU/18/0268. The PC

confirmed that it had supported the application as there was no planning reason to object, but that

it was reliant on the Conservation Officer opinion/comment. The resident explained that there was

a covenant that required the original landowner`s permission for any significant changes.

*Clerk to enquire with SBC re covenant.*

202. MINUTES OF THE SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING

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

203. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES 9TH APRIL 2018

1. Defibrillator – Funding of £500 for installation and maintenance secured by Cllr Bishop. *Clerk to write letter of thanks to Highworth Lodge.*

SBC confirmed that no permission would be required to site at Village Shop. *Clerk to contact Shop Committee for “permission” and Cllr Collingwood re full installation requirements.*

1. Staff PRP – *Cllr Jankinson & Cllr Collingwood to progress.*
2. Soak away 1 Kingsdown Lane – SBC confirmed works to commence in 2nd week of May 2018.
3. Cemetery Mapping – work underway.
4. Methodist Church – Awaiting feedback after Methodist meeting on 26th April 2018.
5. Cemetery – Quote accepted, wall repairs now complete.
6. 38 Sutton Park – SBC enforcement notified of change in materials used.
7. Verges at Sutton Park – reported to SBC, drivers to be reminded.
8. CPRE – comments in objection to development at Sams Lane sent to SBC.
9. APA – arranged for 31st May 2018.
10. Hills – tree removal, with SBC, Planning Officer in dialogue with Hills re breach.
11. Recreation Ground – Cricket Club and GM Contractor notified of decision not to collect grass.
12. Highway Damage at bend on B4019 near Holdcroft House/ Beech Lea reported to SBC.
13. Burial Certificate – issued to purchaser.

204. FINANCE

a) Receipts 167 – Payment in error by Crest for St Andrews.

b) Bank Account - Signatories now sorted, any two Cllrs can sign. However, name change not yet done.

c) RFO requested PC approval to appoint Kathy Liston to audit the accounts. PC approved appointment.

d) Notification of CIL amount, £13,729.27 for Neighbourhood Proportion of CIL from October 2017 to March

2018.

e) Cllr Compton proposed and all agreed Payments numbered 1 – 16 totalling £36,367.61 and Receipts

numbered 162 – 171 and 1 – 16 totalling £47,579.75

205. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/HOU/18/0226 – Conversion of garage into annexe and retention of detached store/barn.

AT: Grains Farm Steadfast Lane Blunsdon SN26 8DE

**Permission Granted with Conditions**

206. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/18/0580 – Erection of 2no. dwellings, garages and associated works (Variation of condition 2 to

change plans).

AT: Land adjacent to 1 Kingsdown Lane Blunsdon Swindon

**PC noted changes to materials and agreed to support.**

207. APA – REPORTS

Cllr Selwood – Footpaths and Rights of Way

Cllr Ainscow – Recreation Ground

Cllr Boyd – Blunsdon Village Hall, Cemetery and Staffing.

Cllr Jankinson – MUGA and Chairman`s

Cllr Keates, Collingwood & Jankinson – Planning

These reports should be prepared and submitted to the Clerk by Friday 11th May.

208. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The NHP Group are meeting this week to review the comments received from SBC.

209. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 23RD APRIL 2018

1. SBC Members Bulletins 912 & 913 emailed to Parish Councillors.
2. Email from Susan Lambert – Dementia Friendly Awareness. PC agreed to hold awareness session.

*Clerk to arrange.*

1. Resident enquired about scattering wild flowers along the footpath between Hyde Road & Cricklade Road. PC agreed, *Clerk to notify resident.*
2. Email from Sam Wright SBC re ideas for traffic improvements in Blunsdon. *Clerk to arrange attendance at 4th June meeting.*

210. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Transport – Cllr Rogers updated PC on various transport issues. He has requested an impact

assessment on the Swindon area of the changes to the Air Balloon improvements. Option 30

has been selected, Phil Smith, SBC Planning, has written to Highways England expressing concerns.

211.  PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Compton – reported that the footpath from Widhill to St Andrews Ridge was very narrow.

He also queried the responsibility for maintenance of grassed area on Widhill Lane, between Hills

and lane. Chair confirmed it is Parish. *Clerk to speak with GM Contractor.*

Cllr Rogers – reported lead shot landing on his property from local shoot. *Clerk to report to Police.*

He also confirmed that his land boundary extends right up to the kerbside.

Cllr Jankinson – reminded the PC of NEV consultation and Borough/Parish Consultation Meeting

at SBC on 26th April. Any comments for SBC meeting to Cllr J by close of play Wednesday.

He also recommended the recycling tour on 16th May – details in SBC Members Bulletin.

Cllrs Selwood, Ainscow & Morris – reported that the Code of Conduct training recently attended

was very worthwhile. In particular, Cllrs email addresses in light of GDPR. *Clerk to investigate.*

Clerk - reported that War Memorial did not need cleaning and that re lettering may be beneficial,

quotes for this work to be obtained, liaising with Conservation. *Clerk to action*

Also, more investigation needed for Hills site re drainage. *Clerk working with Hills and Solicitor.*

Clerk – advised that the next meeting will be the first of the new year and therefore nominations for

Chair and Vice Chair would be required. Cllr Jankinson was nominated for Chair by Cllr Ainscow

and this was seconded by Cllr Morris. Cllr Jankinson will be absent for the meeting on 14th May.

212. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Cllrs were summoned to attend the next meeting on Monday 14th May at 7.30pm, at

Blunsdon Village Hall.

**Summary of Actions**

Staff PRP – Cllr Jankinson and Collingwood to progress

Defibrillator – Clerk to contact Village Shop

Methodist Church – Awaiting feedback from PB after 26th April

Hills– tree removal SBC dealing

Dementia Friendly Awareness – Clerk to arrange

Transport Planning – Clerk to contact Sam Wright

Wild Flowers Hyde/Cricklade Road footpath – Clerk to contact resident

Grass between Widhill and Hills – Clerk to contact GM Contractor

Lead Shot on land in Broadbush – Clerk to report to Police

Parish email addresses – Clerk to investigate

War Memorial – Clerk working with WMT and Conservation

Transfer of assets from Hills – Clerk working with Hills and Sols

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