Minutes of the Thirteenth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 19th November 2018 at 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Boyd, Collingwood, Compton, Keates, Morris, Selwood and Tayler

SBC Cllr Bishop joined the meeting at 7.45pm

Apologies: Cllrs Jankinson, Ainscow & Rogers

142. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Collingwood declared an interest in Planning Application S/AGRI/18/1790

RECESS – Alison Porter attended and gave PC an outline of Dog Show in 2019.

The PC requested she submit an overview project plan for the PC to consider at its next

meeting.

143. MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING

Proposed by Cllr Keates and seconded by Cllr Tayler, all agreed they be accepted as

a true record.

144. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES 5th NOVEMBER 2018

1. Drop In session arranged for 8th Dec 1pm to 4pm at BVH
2. Staff PRP – *c/f.*
3. Defibrillator – *Training session 1st and 8th Dec 10am to 11am at BVH, Clerk to contact volunteers.*
4. Trees at Churchyard – *awaiting GM contractor’s schedule of works etc, c/f.*
5. Broadband – *Cllr Jankinson to investigate, c/f.*
6. Village Hall loft insulation *– to be installed 24th November 2018*
7. Recreation Ground Hedge – *GM contractor looking at options*
8. Footpath rear of BHH *– awaiting SBC officer comments/report. Clerk to email M Fry.*
9. Pavilion *– with Insurers to assess*

145. FINANCE

a) CIL receipt – RFO checking for which developments these were received. £12k received

from Newland ahead of transfer of Play Area.

Cllr Tayler proposed, Cllr Compton seconded, all agreed, payments numbered 118 to 129

totalling £12,025.05 and receipts numbered 111 to 129 totalling £46,508.86

b) Budget items for 2019/20 - Cllr Jankinson proposed a Village Fete for 2019. Fitness

equipment for the development at Thames Water site – it was suggested that Newland should

supply as they would with play equipment.

Grass cutting in new areas, recreation parking, village entrance - were all listed as potential

budget inclusions.

The PC requested that the RFO keep the Band D equivalent at current rate.

c) Review of Hire Charges – the RFO advised that a 2.2% increase would be in line with

inflation. The PC agreed that this was the approach to be taken, although noted that in the

case of the Methodist Hall it may be more, to bring fees into line with others.

d) CIL Report – RFO advised this had been published via SBC and that none was received for

the year 2017/18

The sum of £1303.50 carried forward from previous years has been assigned to MUGA project.

e) PHS Contract – RFO advised this was due for renewal and that a 5year deal, with new hand

driers and waste bins, was on offer for £647pa. The PC agreed to accept this contract.

f) External Audit – the final report for 2017/18 has been received and has been published on the

Web site.

146. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/18/0719 – Demolition of existing workshop, erection of 2 semi-detached dwellings

At Land to rear of Cobley House Broad Bush Blunsdon SN26 7DH

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

147. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/AGRI/18/1790 – Prior Approval Notification for the erection of 2no. agricultural buildings

AT: Upper Burytown Farm Burytown Lane Blunsdon SN26 7DQ

**PC agreed to object. This application is similar in nature to a previous application and the PC again object. Application S/Agri/17/1884 was approved with conditions. One of which precluded housing livestock as the buildings were less than the required 400m from residential property. This application is actually 100 metres from housing and in fact only 30 metres from one property boundary. The PC remain concerned about the extra levels of traffic on a very narrow road and about the potential damage to ancient/protected trees. There is also the close proximity, to the site, of a scheduled monument hillfort, which has been widely documented in many proposed development applications.**

S/18/1758 – Erection of 1no. dwelling and associated works.

At: Land adjacent to 1 Kingsdown Lane Blunsdon SN25 5DL

**PC agreed to object because this proposal is tandem back land development.**

**The lane is too narrow for access and there is no footpath which compromises highway safety.**

**Other development on Kingsdown plots that have been approved, already have an adverse impact on access and other inadequate infrastructure.**

S/HOU/18/1792 – Erection of a single storey rear extension

At: 105 Ermin Street Blunsdon SN26 8AA

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

S/18/0938 – Erection of a 218W flexible electricity generation facility (FEGF). 2no. containers, sub-station, 3metre high security/acoustic fencing, CCTV and associated works, with access from Turnpike Road.

AT: Land off Turnpike Road Blunsdon Swindon

**PC agreed to object. All previous comments, S/17/0863, are still valid and the PC want them to be re considered.**

**Access is still a concern, the application states Turnpike, but elsewhere in the documents it states access is from Kingsdown Lane.**

**There are also Highway and Ecology objections that the Parish support.**

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS

Land at Kingsdown, North East Swindon -Tree Preservation Order No.5 2018 has been confirmed without modification. Clerk has full copy of TPO.

148. SHELAA - PARISH RESPONSE

Drop in session arranged for 8th December 1pm to 4pm at BVH. Parish Councillors and SBC

Officers available to answer questions about SHELAA, NHP and Parish Council.

PC response to SHELAA to be formulated after this event.

149. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Village Design Statement - work continues.

Three sites have been selected for small scale development

150. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 19th NOVEMBER 2018

1. SBC Members Bulletins 942 and 943 emailed to PC.
2. Newland Leaflet – copy of leaflet to residents
3. Local Council Update – No 223
4. Clerk & Councils Update – issue 120
5. Resident email – hedge at Lonsdale Close. *Cllr Boyd to visit*
6. Email from SBC – winter gritting (emailed to PC)
7. Resident email – re development at Sams Lane. *Clerk to reply to resident*
8. Email to SBC (copied to PC) – re A419/Hyde Road
9. Resident email – resident works in Widhill Lane. *Clerk to reply*

151. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. BVH – insulation for loft space to be installed on 24th November 2018

152. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Selwood enquired about Open Day – Drop in session already discussed and scheduled.

Cllr Tayler reported that an Eddie Stobart lorry had again parked in Bus turnaround. *Clerk to*

*contact ES.*

Cllr Tayler reported that the hedges in Kingsdown Lane had been severely trimmed, however

it was unknown as to who had done this.

Cllr Collingwood offered to explore process for consecrating ground. *Cllr C to investigate*

Cllr Boyd requested that the Xmas Tree be ordered. *Clerk to order*

Cllr Boyd reported that High Street and Churchway would need further work on fallen leaves.

*Clerk to arrange.*

Key Messages – Publicity re Drop in on 8th Dec. Defib Training on 1st & 8th 10am to 11am at

BVH.

153. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Cllrs were summoned to attend the next meeting on Monday 3rd December at 7.30pm

at Blunsdon Village Hall.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

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Chairman, 3rd December 2018

**Summary of Actions**

Dog Show – organiser to send high level project plan to PC for discussion at next meeting

SHELAA – Drop in organised with SBC - 8/12 1pm to 4pm

Staff PRP – c/f.

Defibrillator – training arranged for 1st & 8th Dec, 10am to 11am at BVH

Churchyard trees – awaiting info from GM contractor to enable application to SBC.

Broadband – Cllr Jankinson investigating with Cllr Selwood’s help if needed.

Village Hall loft insulation – to be installed on 24th Nov

Rec Hedge – Hedge trimmed further works requested. Clerk to discuss with GM contactor

Footpath at rear of BHH – awaiting SBC RofW officer’s report, Clerk emailed M Fry

Pavilion – claim with insurer

Lonsdale Close – Cllr Boyd to visit

Email re Sams Lane – Clerk to respond

Email re Widhill Lane – Clerk to respond

Lorry in Bus Turnaround – Clerk to report

Consecrated Ground – Cllr Collingwood to investigate

Xmas Tree – Clerk to order

Leaves on High Street & Churchway – Clerk to arrange removal.

Key Messages – Clerk to post on Facebook and BLOG