Minutes of the Fifth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 15th July 2019 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Jankinson, Ainscow, Boyd, Compton, Collingwood, Doell, Nash, Rogers, Selwood & Tayler

60. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Keates & SBC Cllr Bishop

61. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

Recess - None

62. MINUTES FROM THE FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING

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

63. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Recreation Ground – Meeting arranged for 29th July 2019. Recreation Committee, BFC and CC.

b) Widhill/Hills Boundary – Cllr Jankinson met with HE. Deeds are being checked, transfer of road,

hedge/verge. HE will come back to PC once all information collated. Signs on A419 re Waste

Disposal site to be removed.

c) Allotments – Plot 5 not yet complete. Plot 6 notice to given, notice period ends on 2nd August.

d) Emergency Service Response – Cllr Rogers awaiting information/stats. C/f

e) MUGA – Project Plan still awaited from SBC.

f) Millennium Gardens – Works complete. Hedging to be trimmed. *Clerk to arrange with PS*

g) Risk assessment updated. Cllr Jankinson to sign off.

h) Bus Route 20 – Clerk at SSTM advised that a meeting to discuss detail would be arranged.

i) BFC number of fixtures – BFC have sent figures, youth matches still awaited.

j) Linden Homes – Rachael Adams to write with PC concerns, establish communication channel.

Cllr Jankinson to visit site

k) Financial Orders and Finance Committee documents – *Cllr Jankinson to circulate*

l) A419 exits – Cllr Jankinson to arrange photos, Cllr Selwood to raise at Safety Partnership.

m) Hedge at Rec/Sutton Park – Cllr Jankinson reported that hedge is very wide, some areas missed

on one corner. Hedge on Care Home boundary also of concern. *Clerk to contact GM Contractor.*

n) BHH fireworks – notice posted about how to get information about forthcoming events.

o) Traffic project – progressing, still concerns about funding. *Meeting to be arranged.*

64. FINANCE

a) RFO reported a clerical error with the June finance sheet. New summary issued and minutes

amended with PC agreement.

b) RFO explained payment number 56 – this being 50% of the cost of the works on the wooden floor

at BVH.

c) RFO reported that the training on the new accounting system was scheduled for Thursday 18th July.

Sec 106 contributions – RFO and Chair have reviewed monies received and confirmed receipts and

those in progress.

d) Cllr Compton proposed, and all agreed Payments numbered 48 to 60 totaling £10,802.58 and

receipts numbered 51 to 60 totaling £2,804.50

65. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/OUT/18/0405 – Outline application for the erection of up to 70no. dwellings, extension to

cemetery, community shop/café with associated car parking and toilet facilities, open space,

landscaping and associated works – Access not reserved.

At: Land at Sams Lane, Blunsdon

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

S/LDP/19/0813 – Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) for the erection of 1no. rear dormer window

At: 17 Ermin Street Blunsdon SN26 8AA

**Certificate of Lawful Development Granted**

66. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/19/1011 – Erection of single storey extensionto facilitate spa pool, sauna and steam room

together with associated plant room.

At: Blunsdon House Hotel, The Ridge Blunsdon SN26 7AS

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

S/RES/18/1851 – Erection of 37 dwellings with provision of parking, landscaping and

associated works. Reserved Matters application following S/OUT/16/2034.

At: Land south of High Street, Blunsdon

**PC agreed to support, repeat previous comments.**

**PC agreed to support, but noted that no fitness area and equipment were mentioned**

**as per discussions at PC engagement meeting. In addition, the PC support the comments**

**made by Highways and Police.**

OTHER PLANNING ISSUES

S/17/0528 and S/COND/18/1449 – Land at Holdcroft. PC noted response from SBC Alison

Curtis.

Planning Committee – S/OUT/19/0294 Outline application for up to 43no. dwellings and

associated works. Cllr Boyd and Tayler attended. Cllrs Penny and Weisinger spoke against the

application. Cllr Bishop spoke in favour of the application and the decision was for approval with

a vote - 9/2 in favour.

Sams Lane, Phase 2 – a leaflet was distributed around the village. The PC did NOT receive a

copy.

The PC agreed to collate an article for Blunsdon Magazine the following points to be included:

* Blunsdon is an Award-winning Village
* Front Page Magazine – Do we want another 115 houses in Blunsdon?
* Phase 2 – no mention of Phase 1 on original application
* Leaflet not sent to PC, no engagement
* SBC & Ward Cllr support more development
* Blunsdon seems to be a key factor in providing a 5year housing land supply
* No objections from Highways to date
* Non coalescence – proposal joins NC5
* Emergency response times compromised – Govt target is 8 mins for major emergency, Blunsdon already 11 to 14 mins
* Context other development numbers pre and post this proposal
* No changes to infrastructure, despite significant growth
* Data in leaflet – challenge as simply not true and not applicable to Blunsdon
* Survey via NHP group/facebook to gauge public opinion

67. GM CONTRACT

a) Grass Cutting – monthly meeting, first Thursday of the month. Review works done and discuss

any issues and forthcoming month. *Clerk to circulate notes from 1st meeting*

b) Recreation Ground – PC agreed that Recreation Ground should be maintained as Recreation

Ground, not Sports Pitch. Meeting of Rec Committee, BFC and CC arranged.

c) PC agreed to obtain quote to gravel over grass area at Ermin Street Car Park to make ongoing

maintenance easier. *Clerk to arrange quote*

d) PC agreed to obtain quote to remove shrubs and debris at Sams Lane/Churchill Avenue.

*Clerk to arrange quote.*

68. NHP UPDATE

Workshop arranged for 18th July 2019. The final decision about modifications needed following

consultation will be made. Modifications will be publicised, and SBC will hold a 6 week

public consultation.

The target to complete the whole process is by the start of 2020.

69. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 15th July 2019

1. SBC Members Bulletin 975 & 976 emailed to Cllrs
2. Local Councils Update – issue 230. July 2019
3. Clerks & Councils Direct – issue 124. July issue
4. WALC Newsletter July 2019 – emailed to Cllrs
5. Email from resident re bushes overhanging CCTV at shop - *MJ asked to trim*
6. Email from resident re turf at Plot 9 Hills Allotment – *PC agreed to maintain offer of supply*
7. Email from SBC re litter at Hyde Road – *Cllr Tayler to* *investigate*
8. Email from Swindon Central North PC, sent to Cllr Jankinson re lease severance.

70. COMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE

71. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Rogers reported that there had been an increase in Police activity on Broadbush and that

there had been a recent incident of sheep escaping on to B4019.

Cllr Rogers reported that latest recycling publications from SBC appear to be a European

Directive.

Cllr Boyd reported that Assistant Crime Commissioner was to address Speedwatch crews. Cllr

Doell volunteered to represent PC.

Cllr Aiscow requested that the school be contacted again re hedge on footpath. *Clerk to chase.*

Cllr Compton reported that SBC bin lorries were accessing Hills site from Widhill Lane. *Clerk*

*to report.*

Cllr Compton reported cars doing donuts in Hills entrance on Saturday night.

Cllr Doell reported overflowing dog bin on High Street and Fly tip in Lower Village. Both

incidents reported/resolved.

Cllr Nash enquired if there was to be a plan of action to address any issues raised in BKV

report.

Clerk reported that there was a consultation on Polling areas. *Clerk to circulate papers*

72. KEY MESSAGES

None

73. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Cllrs were summoned to attend the next meeting: Monday 5th August 2019 7.30pm, at Blunsdon

Village Hall.

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

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Chairman, 5th August 2019

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

Recreation Ground – Meeting arranged

Widhill/Hills boundary – Awaiting feedback from HE

Allotments – Notice to be given to Plot 6

Emergency Service response – Cllr Rogers to draft letter c/f

MUGA – Awaiting updated project plan from SBC

Millennium Gardens – works complete, hedge to be trimmed

Risk assessment updated, Cllr J to sign off

Grass Cutting – monthly meeting arranged

BFC fixtures – response received youth figures awaited

Linden Homes posts – RA to write to Linden

Finance Committee and Orders – Cllr J to revise and circulate

A419 exits – Cllr J to arrange photos, Cllr Selwood to raise at Safety Partnership

Hedge rec/Sutton park – Clerk to speak with GM

Traffic Project – awaiting clarification re funding

Response to Sams Lane leaflet – magazine article to be drafted

GM meeting – clerk to circulate notes

Quotes for Grassed area and Shrubs at Sams/Churchill – Clerk to obtain quotes

Litter at Hyde Road – Cllr Tayler to investigate

School Hedge – Clerk to chase

Bin lorries at Widhill – Clerk to report

Polling Consultation – Clerk to circulate

Key Messages – Clerk to post on Facebook and BLOG