Minutes of the Sixth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 5th August 2019 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall.

Present: Cllrs Jankinson, Ainscow, Boyd, Compton, Collingwood, Doell, Keates, Nash, Rogers, Selwood & Tayler. SBC Cllr Bishop

74. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None. Cllr Collingwood to be late.

75. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

Recess – Residents from Beech Lea addressed the PC requesting support with their objections to

Plans for development - lighting and Dark Skies Policy, TPO`s and the issues with

Footpath and access. Residents to draft letter to SBC and copy to PC for endorsement and support.

The Chair confirmed that NHP should be in place by early 2020 and at this point SBC need only

demonstrate a 3year housing land supply. Blunsdon is classed as 3rd tier – a village.

An observation that Blunsdon seems particularly hard hit by development especially when

compared to Highworth.

76. MINUTES FROM THE FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING

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

77. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Recreation Ground – Meeting with BFC and CC took place. See Item 9 on Agenda.

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 6 notice to given, notice period ends on 2nd August. *Clerk to end agreement.*

d) Emergency Service Response – awaiting data from HE should be supplied by 7th August.

e) MUGA – Update received - working on layout, revised costings and Planning. Meeting to be

arranged by mid sept.

f) Risk assessment updated. Cllr Jankinson signed revised documents.

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

Cllr Jankinson to visit site

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

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

j) Hedge at Rec/Sutton Park – PC agreed to reduce height to 5ft/6ft along entire length of hedge.

Works to be done Oct/Nov time. PC approved quote for works to be done. *Clerk to action*

k) Traffic project – works now underway.

l) Quote to removed hedge/shrubs at Sams Lane/Churchill Avenue received and accepted. Area to be

cleared of debris and rubbish and to be re soiled and seeded. *Clerk to action*

m) Litter at Hyde Road - Cllr Tayler visited the site. Main concern was CoOp car park, bins outside

shop but none around the rest of the area. Also, noted that the litter bin on corner of footpath in

Hyde Road was well used and needed to be emptied almost on a daily basis. PC to consider

Provision of another bin. *Clerk to raise with Contractor*

n) School Hedge – no action/response re cutting back. *Chair to raise with Governors.*

o) Bin Lorries in Widhill Lane – raised with SBC re collection of Hills properties being accessed

from the Lane. Resident is disabled and special arrangements have been made for collection.

Widhill Lane residents to raise with SBC if concerns remain.

p) Polling Places Consultation – no changes to feedback to SBC.

78. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/19/0455 – Erection of 2no. dwellings and associated works.

At: Land adj Crackerberry 7 Burytown Lnae Blunsdon

**Planning Permission Refused**

S/HOU/19/0802 – Erection of a two storey side extension and pitched roof to existing garage.

At: 11 Beech Lea Blunsdon SN26 7DE

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

79. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/HOU/19/1071 – Erection of a two storey side extension and extension to existing rear dormer

Window.

At: 7 Malthouse Close Blunsdon SN26 7BG

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

**unsure of any implications to loss of light and amenity and noted that neighbour had not**

**objected.**

OTHER PLANNING ISSUES

Phase 2 Sams Lane – Neither the PC no SBC were aware of the so called Phase 2, the initial

Application for this site was not badged as Phase 1.

The PC placed an article, in the Village Magazine, in response to the leaflet. This appears to

have been well received by residents, although the PC has had no direct response.

80. LOCAL PLAN REVIEW CONSULTATION

The Chair explained the review of the Local Plan and the PC discussed the relevant maps and

documents. Scale of development and lack of infrastructure, priority concerns. Consultation

closes on 23rd September 2019.

The PC were disappointed that SBC Cabinet Member had not been in touch to arrange a meeting

as promised. Meeting with Cabinet Member, Cllr Sumner, and Phil Smith SBC Planning to be

arranged. The PC also agreed to hold a public event in September once the meeting with SBC had

taken place. *Clerk to arrange.*

81. REVIEW OF POLLING PLACES

No feedback to SBC required.

82. RECREATION GROUND

Productive meeting held with BFC and CC. PC decision to maintain facility as a multi-use area

was confirmed. The quotes for additional maintenance to achieve “sports pitch” standard were

shared with the clubs. At the meeting the PC agreed to get quotes to trim trees from school

boundary – overhanging pitches, and for the treatment of the weeds which are prevalent

across whole field.

Cllr Ainscow asked if fees were discussed, the Chair confirmed these will be reviewed as part

of budget setting process.

PC agreed that the works on trees and weeds could be met out of Sec106 monies for Rec Ground.

PC agreed to reduce height to 5ft/6ft along entire length of hedge.

Works to be done Oct/Nov time. PC approved quote for works to be done. *Clerk to action*

*Contractor to contact resident re overhanging branches/brambles. Cllr Selwood to review area of*

*hedge along Park View stretch.*

83. NHP UPDATE

Meeting of NHP team this week to re write Plan following consultation, it will then go to SBC

for consideration. Overall target is still for Plan to be live early in 2020.

84. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 5th AUGUST 2019

1. SBC Members Bulletin 977, 978 & 979 emailed to Cllrs
2. LCR Summer 2019
3. Local Councils Update – issue 231 August 2019
4. Email from resident re Sams Lane and branches along Broadbush. *Cllr Bishop – weeds and cleaning highway and overhanging branches along B4019.*
5. SBC press release – Potholes
6. Email from resident re St Leonards Farm bonfires – Clerk responded
7. Email from resident re use of drive for Speedwatch.

85. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Speedwatch – Cllr Doell attended a meeting with Police Commissioner.

Discussed moving from Old Peoples home to Sams Lane, not possible without new process

and risk assessment.

Supply and use of speed cameras to be reviewed.

Parishes to consider purchase of further flashing speed signs.

New 20mph in Village does include school area. Maps supplied to Cllr Doell.

More volunteers required.

Community Safety Partnership – Cllr Selwood attended. This meeting was single topic meeting

this being The Orbital Centre and the issues there. There was no opportunity to raise other

issues however it was noted that there had been an increase in Police visibility.

86. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Ainscow reported that the sign for Sams Lane is not visible, so needs addressing. *Clerk*

*to action.*

Cllr Boyd reported that he had been having difficulties with his PC and therefore may not have

Received/replied to emails.

Cllr Jankinson reported that SBC were consulting on Parking.

Also, that no contact had been received from Phil Smith re consultation on Local Plan.

Cllr Collingwood queried work at property in Sams Lane – PC confirmed that SBC approved.

Cllr Collingwood reported the advertising on land owned by SBC at Coldharbour. This has

Been queried before as it is a distraction on a busy junction, no action taken. *Cllr Bishop was*

*asked to follow up.*

Cllr Collingwood reported that resident had raised concerns about the road surface outside 1&2

The Mount. *Cllr Collingwood to supply photos*

Cllr Jankinson reported that the first meeting re Village Fete 2020 had taken place and was very

productive. Tentative date of 9th May with a VE theme agreed. Next meeting is 2nd Sept 2019.

87. KEY MESSAGES

Ermin Street project

VF Committee

Improvements to Rec

88. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

Cllrs were summoned to attend the next meeting: Monday 19th August 2019 7.30pm, at Blunsdon Village Hall.

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

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Chairman, 19th August 2019

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

Recreation Ground – Quotes for overhanging trees and weed removal to be obtained

Widhill/Hills boundary – Awaiting feedback from HE

Allotments – Notice to be given to Plot 6

Emergency Service response – Awaiting HE info

MUGA – Works to update plan and costings underway, meeting mid sept.

Linden Homes posts – RA to write to Linden Cllr jankinson to visit site

Finance Committee and Orders – Cllr J to circulate

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

Hedge rec/Sutton park – height reduction agreed. Contact resident re overhanging branches

Traffic Project – now underway

GM meeting – clerk to circulate notes

Quotes for Grassed area and Shrubs at Sams/Churchill – obtained and approved

Litter at Hyde Road – Potential new bin on footpath.

School Hedge – Chair to contact Governors

Local Plan – meeting with SBC to be arranged

Cllr Bishop – weeds, sweeping and overhanging branches on B4019 also enforcement of parking

on Turnpike junction.

The Mount road surface – Cllr Collingwood to supply photos

Key Messages – Clerk to post on Facebook and BLOG