Minutes of the Twenty Third Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 18th May 2020 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall. This was a remote meeting held via Zoom.

Present: Cllrs Jankinson, Ainscow, Boyd, Doell, Keates, Nash, Selwood & Tayler.

298. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Collingwood & Compton

SBC Cllr Bishop

299. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

Recess – no Public Participation

300. MINUTES FROM THE TWENTIETH SECOND ORDINARY MEETING

Proposed by Cllr Selwood, seconded by Cllr Tayler, all agreed they be accepted as a true record.

Minutes were approved but not signed, this will be done at the first face to face meeting available.

301. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Widhill/Hills Boundary – Reply received re ownership, all but 2 residents own the lane. Hills

ready to transfer POS, PC not satisfied with the condition so not accepting transfer until resolved.

b. MUGA – On hold until such time as Covid restrictions lifted and noise surveys can be done.

c. Slot cutting on Broadbush still causing concern because of the poor workmanship. *Cllr Bishop to*

*chase up SBC for a response and appropriate works.*

1. Tree Survey – Quotes requested for agreed works, dead wood in trees at Cemetery. *Clerk to chase quotes.*
2. Drainage ditch on Broadbush referred to SBC Planning, *no response to date.*
3. Parking at Recreation Ground – PC agreed to submit Planning Application. *Cllr Selwood to lead on this.*
4. Speeding on Blunsdon Hill/Ermin Street – not raised at Safety partnership as no Police or SBC

Representative in attendance. *C/f*

1. Fence on Hillside reported to SBC – some debris removed. *Contact SBC to find out what action*

*they are going to take.*

1. BVH roof repairs – works underway w/b 18th May 2020
2. Ermin Street –Some repairs appear to have been done, further works required. *SBC dealing.*
3. Sams Lane – Archaeological find. *Archaeological report from Developer outstanding*
4. Scrapstore funding – PC agreed to make contribution of £250. *Clerk to notify officer.*
5. Path alongside school to Sutton Park. School side trimmed, other side to be scheduled. *Clerk to arrange.*
6. Path at Broadbush – overhanging trees owned by developers. Not operational until June.
7. Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Bishop investigating which businesses have permission to operate. *Cllr Tayler to liaise with Cllr Bishop.*
8. Boroadband in Lower Village – PC have written to MP Justin Tomlinson for assistance in progressing this project.

302. FINANCE

1. The finances were circulated and approved as follows:

Cllr Selwood proposed, Cllr Ainscow seconded, all agreed, that payments totalling £ 9,426.90

and receipts totalling £57,689.70 be approved. See attached sheet for full details.

1. RFO reported that CIL monies had been receipted for the Thames Water Site and suggested

the PC consider to which project the funds should be allocated.

1. RFO reported that the Audit deadline have been extended and that the Internal Auditor would be contacted in readiness for auditing accounts.
2. RFO reported that the final Job Retention Scheme claim had been submitted in the sum of £322.65
3. Cllr Selwood queried the period covered by the payment to BT. RFO confirmed that it was 3 months for all PC installations.
4. PC discussed the proposed return of the Pre School in BVH. Risk Assessments have been done by the Pre School and it was agreed that the PC should do the same. The PC felt that 1st June was not achievable in view of the need to ensure the safety of all concerned.

*BVH Committee to meet and produce risk assessments, RFO to write to Pre School outlining concerns. Clerk to obtain guidance from SBC/Govt.*

1. The Chair reported that the Village Magazine was proposing to move to every other month for production of the magazine and that future funding may be required from the PC. *Chair to meet with VM Committee to discuss further.*

303. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/HOU/20/0403 – Erection of single storey front extensions and single storey rear extension.

At: 4 Manor Close Blunsdon SN26 7BD

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

S/RES/19/1581 – Reserved matters application pursuant to permission S/OUT//18/0405 for the

erection of 70 dwellings, cemetery extension, community shop/café and associated works.

At: Land at Sams Lane Blunsdon

**Planning Permission Granted on Outline Application.**

**Archaeological report awaited - conditions not discharged.**

S/HOU/20/0389 – Erection of a conservatory

At: 36 Ceres Road Blunsdon SN26 8AF

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

S/19/1754 – Erection of 3no. new dwellings and associated works

At: Land to rear of 14/15 Malthouse Close Blunsdon SN26 7BG

**Planning Permission Refused.**

304. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/HOU/20/0542 – Erection of two storey side extension and dormer window to rear.

At: 13A Turnpike Road Blunsdon

**PC agreed to object. The Conservation Officer comments are totally supported.**

**In addition, moving of the parking provision to accommodate the extension nearer to the Listed Building is not acceptable. The PC expressed its concerns over the granting of**

**the previous application, to which it objected, the granting of that permission has now**

**allowed the scope for this permission to be submitted. The Chair will again be contacting Richard Bell.**

S/RES/20/0515 – Reserved matters application following outline permission S/OUT/19/0294

for the erection of up to 43no. dwellings and associated works.

At: Land off B4019 Broad Blunsdon SN26 8DJ

**PC agreed to convene a meeting of the Planning Committee and report back to next PC meeting on 1st June. Comments to SBC by 5th June 2020.**

S/20/0519 – Erection of 1no. new dwelling.

At: Brooklyn Lodge Broadbush Blunsdon SN26 7DH

**The PC agreed to object as the proposals represent an over intensification of the plot making parking access and egress unsuitable for 5 dwellings. The site is in and area of non-coalescence and it also fails the Backland development test. The proposal would result in a loss of amenity. The NHP now has some weight and as such should be applied as this site is outside of the Settlement Boundary.**

Other Planning Matters

**MUGA –** This project cannot be progressed until the noise surveys can be conducted.

**Recreation Ground –** Revised drawing agreed for 13 spaces (1 disabled), price and Planning

Application to be submitted. *Cllrs Jankinson & Selwood*

**Planning Complaint –** Chair to write to RB again as not satisfied with response and latest

Planning Application (see above)

**Govt announcement re extending constructions hours to 9pm -** Chair to write to RB to

raise concerns about this approach in Blunsdon because of the level of development.

305. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

The Inspector supported the NHP with a few amendments. SBC also support the plan, this now

gives the Plan some weight. The referendum required cannot be undertaken whilst the current

restrictions are in place. Well done to all concerned.

306. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 18th May 2020

* SBC Members Bulletin 1116 & 1119 - emailed to PC
* SBC Press release re M4 – emailed to Cllrs
* SBC press release -HWRC to reopen – emailed to Cllrs
* Email from resident re area from The Shrubbery to Sams Lane – confirmed SBC responsibility.
* Email from Magazine Editor re fewer print runs and future funding. *Chair to meet with Committee.*
* Email from resident – look after Plot 1 plant potatoes, so can be removed easily when new tenant found.

307. COMMITTEE REPORTS

GM – Regular meetings reinstated, meeting next week. Items for discussion:

Removal of debris, outstanding quotes, additional planting at Rec.

WALC/SAC – Virtual meeting arranged, Chair to attend.

308. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Tayler confirmed that he would contact Cllr Bishop re the businesses in Kingsdown Lane.

Cllr Ainscow reported that the area of grass in front of the Play Area at Linley Road. *Clerk to*

*speak with Groundsman.*

Cllr Boyd reported that the trees in the Churchyard need the dead wood removed. These were

due for re inspection in the summer. *Clerk to contact tree surgeon*

Cllr Jankinson reported that he was not able to access the public footpath between Arkwright

and Hyde Road. *Clerk to report to SBC*

Cllr Jankinson reported that the pathway between Hyde and Cricklade Roads was very well

maintained and he asked that his thanks be passed on to GM contractor.

Clerk reported that we had received the list of those shielding. There are 45 on the list, and a

call to each needs to be made. *Clerk to progress from Parish Office*

309. KEY MESSAGES

Broadband in Lower Village

NHP

Welfare Message – Shielding/Isolating

310. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held remotely via Zoom 1st June 2020 at 7.30pm

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

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Chairman, xxxxxxx 2020

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

Widhill/Hills boundary – Awaiting info re collaborative repairs. POS not acceptable

MUGA –

Slot cutting - with Cllr Bishop to raise concerns with Highways

Tree Safety Survey – quotes for works to be obtained, also reinspection of dead wood

Drainage ditch on Broadbush – Awaiting response from SBC

Speeding on Blunsdon Hill/Ermin Street – Cllr Selwood to raise at next Safety Partnership

Damaged fence Hillside – Futher works needed with SBC

Speed limit and Haul Road – with SBC to investigate B/F from previous meeting

Ermin Street – layby and speed humps some repairs done, with SBC.

Sams Lane – with RA for implication of Archaeological find

Scrapstore – Clerk to contact

School path – school side clear, other side with GM

Path on Broadbush – trees belong to landowner

Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Bishop to investigate Business operations. Cllr Tayler to chase.

Broadband – PC to adopt project, letter to MP sent.

Speeding on Broadbush – Clerk to report. Dates and times of activity required

Pre School – BVH Committee to meet, RFO to respond to SR Clerk to obtain guidance

Village Magazine – Chair to meet Committee re production and funding

Recreation Ground parking – Planning App to be made. Cllrs Jankinson and Selwood

Planning Complaint – Chair to reply to SBC response & extension of construction hours

Play Area grass – Clerk to speak with PS

Footpath at Arkwright – clerk to report to SBC

Sheilders in Blunsdon – to be contacted by Clerk, welfare check.

Key Messages – Clerk to post on Facebook and BLOG