Minutes of the Twenty Eighth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 3rd August 2020 7.30pm at Blunsdon Village Hall. This was a remote meeting held via Zoom.

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

SBC Cllrs Bishop & Penny

361. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Collingwood

362. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

363. MINUTES FROM THE TWENTY SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING

Proposed by Cllr Selwood, seconded by Cllr Boyd, 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.

364. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Tree Survey – Quote received for removal of dead wood and felling at Cemetery. *PC approved quote, Clerk to instruct supplier.*

1. \*Drainage ditch on Broadbush referred to SBC Planning, *no response to date.*
2. Parking at Recreation Ground – see Other Planning matters
3. Speeding on Blunsdon Hill/Ermin Street – not raised at Safety partnership as no Police or SBC

representative in attendance. *C/f. Cllr Penny to arrange speed survey on Blunsdon Hill.*

1. \*Ermin Street –Some repairs have been done, work by Thames Water required before further resurfacing can be done. SBC operatives monitoring to ensure no further deterioration.
2. Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Bishop investigating which businesses have permission to operate. *Cllr Penny to follow up*
3. Speeding on Broadbush – July speedwatch data now available. *Cllr Penny to investigate costs of Indicator signs with NPR technology*
4. PC concerned at lack of action on several SBC issues – See items marked \*
5. Blunsdon FC – further meeting of REC Committee to finalise offer to BFC. *Clerk to arrange*
6. Advertising vehicles at Cold Harbour – *Cllr Penny to follow up with HE*
7. Sutton Park – inappropriate parking of vehicles continues. *Chair to speak with resident again.*
8. Village Entrance – Cllr Selwood has information from Garden Club. *Works to be scheduled.*
9. Ivy Lane – overhanging trees reported to SBC, low priority. *Cllr Penny to action*
10. Sams Lane – All works in compliance with Planning Approval.
11. NHP website – to be left as it is until after Referendum.

365. FINANCE

a) Annual Audit – Annual Governance Statement. The Chair went through this with PC. The PC resolved to approve, and it was signed accordingly.

b) Annual Audit – Accounting Statements. The Chair went through these with PC. The PC resolved to approve, and it was signed accordingly.

366. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

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

At: Brooklyn Lodge Blunsdon SN26 7DH

**Planning Permission Refused**

S/HOU/20/0651 – Erection of a single storey front extension

At: 98 High Street Blunsdon SN26 7AB

**Planning Permission Granted**

367. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/OUT/20/0769 – Outline application for the erection of up to 125no. dwellings and

associated works – Access not reserved.

Land North of Turnpike Road Blunsdon

**PC agreed to Object. This location of the NC5 Strategic Allocation part and as such**

**Should not be considered in isolation ahead of the wider scheme. For full detail see**

**Planning response.**

Other Planning Matters

1. **MUGA –** 3 returns from Planning Consultants.
2. **Recreation Ground Parking –**PC discussed outcomes from recent meeting with BFC.

*Meeting of Rec Committee & Cllr Nash to agree way forward for MUGA & BFC.*

1. Cllr Penny updated the PC on SBC Planning position. Now NHP has been approved by Full Council there is an objection in principle to further residential development in Blunsdon and therefore SBC not in a position to support any further significant development.

Highways – Cold Harbour and Turnpike unsatisfactory transport assessments.

Insufficient infrastructure – schools, shops, medical

Urban design not in keeping with village setting.

Position statements to be issued by SBC

368. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Further progress delayed because of Covid restrictions.

369. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 3rd August 2020

* SBC Members Bulletin 1129 & 1130 - emailed to PC
* Email from SBC – request PC to remind contractors about damage to manhole covers, being reported to SBC.
* Blunsdon Village Magazine – now on WEB.
* Email from resident re verges outside Dobbies/CoOp, maps checked, hedges shown but not grass. Been maintained until recently. *Discuss at GM meeting.*
* Email from resident re Planning advice – Chair referred resident to CO
* Email from Community Pharmacy – thank for communities delivering prescriptions.
* Email from resident – request to hire space for Dog Training. Consider Tennis Courts. *PC agreed to investigate costs of making good this area and agreed in principle to its use.*
* Email from resident - building works in Sam Lane on Saturday 1st Aug. Chair replied.
* Email from resident re Planning Application for 125 dwellings on Turnpike – is it in NHP and can it be approved without works to junctions on A419
* Email from resident via Cllr Ainscow re verges in Sutton Park. *Cllr Penny to investigate*
* Email from resident re damage to fence by GM contractor – damage repaired/replaced
* Email from resident re the works by Hayfield contractor – emailed LW at Hayfield.

370.COMMITTEE REPORTS

**a**. GM update – meeting 4th August postponed until 11th.

**b**. BVH & Pavilion – quotes for deep cleaning received. Cleaning of cupboards to be charged to the users. Quote from Around the Clock Cleaning approved by PC.

PC to consider implications of “fogging” Pavilion after each use.

Working towards 1st Sept for reopening so far Pre School and Slimming World are only definite

hirers at 1st Sept. All music and singing related groups not able to return yet.

Cricket Club – next home fixture is 22August, Pavilion unlikely to be ready. *Notify CC.*

Methodist Hall – awaiting response from Methodist Board about reopening requirements.

1. BFC – Cllr Selwood updated the PC with the background to the meeting and confirmed £340 had been refunded because of the closure of the facility. Cllr Selwood explained that BFC had reported that they could hire better facilities for the same price.

PC agreed that the charging structure and terms of use should be reviewed.

*RFO to obtain comparison data. Clerk to arrange meeting of REC Committee.*

**d.** Broadband Update – Cllr Manro has confirmed that all Blunsdon will be upgraded to

Fibre. Scope and timescales to be confirmed. *Cllr Selwood to make contact.*

371. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Selwood reported that he had contacted SSE about a leaning power cable pole in Lower

Village.

Cllr Doell reported cracks to pavements in Sutton Park. *Cllr Penny to investigate*

Cllr Ainscow reported a fly tip on B4019 just before SFW turn heading to Highworth. Already

Reported.

Cllr Ainscow reported that a reflective pole has been damaged at bottom of Hunts Hill/Ivy

Lane. *Clerk to report*

RFO reported that the required Asbestos Survey for BVH & Pavilion were £300 per venue.

PC agreed to the quote. *RFO to arrange*

Cllr Rogers expressed his disappointment with SBC Planning and that no information was in

the public domain from HE about traffic concerns on A419. He also raised the issue of

speeding on Broadbush. PC agreed to submit speedwatch data to Police. Cllr Selwood

reminded the PC that data had been collected from strips in the road.

Cllr Compton reported that plastics had not been collected with recycling. Cllr Penny

explained that the crews were experienced operatives down and that there was a significant

increase in household waste during lockdown. Facility on SBC Web to report.

Cllr Jankinson reported that the locks to Pavilion had been changed. The condition of the

building to be discussed at REC Committee meeting.

Cllr Jankinson asked about reviewing the GM contract. This should be done as part of budget

setting for coming year.

372. KEY MESSAGES

Opening Facilities

Broadband – scope & timescales

Community Governor for School

373. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held remotely via Zoom 17th August 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**

Tree Safety Survey – quotes approved.

\* Drainage ditch on Broadbush – Awaiting response from SBC

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

\*Speed limit and Haul Road – with SBC. Cllr Penny to organize speed survey

Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Penny to follow up

Speeding on Broadbush – awaiting speedwatch results

Recreation Ground – Meeting of REC Committee to be arranged. Comparison costs to be obtained

SBC issues reported – Email Cllr Penny see items marked \* plus flooding in lower village

Advertising vehicles at CH – Cllr Penny to follow up

Sutton Park – photos of parking to be supplied, Chair to speak to resident.

Village entrance – Cllr Selwood working on plan.

Community Shop – Clerk to contact Hayfield for a meeting

Hunts Hill – photos required, clerk to write to resident.

Tennis Courts – investigate costs of making good.

Sams Lane/Sutton Park – pavements weeds etc with Cllr Penny

Broadband – Cllr Selwood to contact Cllr Manro

Reflective Pole at Hunts Hill/Ivy Lane Clerk to report

Asbestos Surveys to be arranged - RFO

Key Messages – Clerk to post on Facebook and BLOG