Minutes of the Thirty Third Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 19th October 2020 7.30pm. This was a remote meeting held via Zoom.

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

SBC Cllr Penny

426. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

SBC Cllr Bishop

427. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

428. MINUTES FROM THE THIRTY SECOND ORDINARY MEETING

Proposed by Cllr Selwood, seconded by Cllr Nash, 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.

429. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Broadbush gulley – SBC Cllr Penny advised Planning to inspect next week.

1. Speeding – SBCllr Penny advised one speed survey had been conducted on Blunsdon Hill, however, this was in the wrong place, another would be carried out end of September.
2. Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Penny confirmed that there is a breach of Planning consent and that SBC will object to the latest HGV licence application
3. Advertising vehicles at Cold Harbour – Cllr Penny advised this was low priority for HE.
4. Hill Cottage – siting of LEAP and speeds on Blunsdon Hill. *Ongoing*
5. Government Planning Consultation – SBC comments circulated PC agreed.
6. Road works Newland & Hills – both sites have temporary repairs, full re surface to be done when development complete. *PC queried why it should be left until then. Cllr Penny to enquire with Planning*
7. Ermin Street speedwatch, speed survey and risk assessment to be arranged. *SBC to arrange speed survey.*
8. Methodist Hall – meeting arranged with Scout Association for 20th October

430. FINANCE

a. Final precept and CTax Support Grant received. Slimming Worl have increased there hours

of use at BVH and the Pre School are operating as before.

Boiler at BVH serviced and repaired. CO2 alarm fitted and chimney to be swept.

The finances were circulated and approved as follows:

Cllr Boyd proposed, Cllr Nash seconded, all agreed, that payments totalling £14, 104.12

and receipts totalling £50,273.00 be approved. See attached sheet for full details.

b. Although the PC received a grant, income is down by more than 50%. RFO suggested that

Finance Committee meet to review whole budget. *PC agreed, RFO to convene a meeting.*

Cllrs to suggest way to save money to avoid increasing the Precept. To be discussed at

November meeting.

Cllrs agreed to include an accrual for boiler replacement and for the removal of Asbestos

tiles in boiler room.

Cllr Ainscow proposed and all agreed that there should be no non-essential projects/works.

431. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/HOU/20/0840 – conversion of garage with a room above garage with a self contained

annexe on part of the ground floor and first floor. (Retrospective)

At: Home Farm 51 High Street Blunsdon SN26 7 AG

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

S/20/0818 – Erection of 2no. dwellings and associated works

At: Land at Burytown Lane Blunsdon

**Planning Permission Refused**

S/HOU/20/1020 – Erection of a two storey side and rear extension and single storey front

Extension.

At: 35 Holdcroft Close Blunsdon SN26 7AL

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

432. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/HOU/20/1327 – Removal of first floor hanging tiles and replacement with “Hardie Plank”

weatherboarding.

At: Gambles End Back Lane Blunsdon SN26 7BJ

**PC agreed to support Conservation Officer comments. PC also queried 2nd Dormer**

**Window.**

Other Planning Matters

1. **MUGA –** The PC agreed to £475 costs for 2 days work by Planning Consultant including a site visit.
2. **Recreation Ground Parking –** Decision awaited from SBC.
3. **Planning Consultation -**PC agreed SBC precis was good. Any further comments to Cllr Jankinson ASAP. *Cllr Jankinson to submit PC response.*

Cllr Rogers expressed concerns about proposals and lack of 5year supply. Cllr Jankinson

explained that if the current Local Plan is approved SBC will have a 5 year Housing Land Supply, which should ease the development pressures Blunsdon has experienced.

433. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

No Update

434. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 19th OCTOBER 2020

a. SBC Members Bulletin 1038 & 1039- emailed to PC

b. Email from resident – trees in Berton Close (Berton Copse)

c. Email from resident re HC tree in Holdcroft – SBC no action. At end of 37 but hanging in number 39. *PC confirmed no action on any trees not on PC land*

d. Email re Remembrance Sunday not being held. Email from local church re holding an event. Chair dealing. *Church to make decision on Wednesday re socially distanced service by invite only.*

e. Email from SBC temporary road closure Ermin Street – emailed to PC

f. Email from resident – offering help preparing any bid for MH. (Accountant)

g. Email from resident re re planting at Sky Lark Meadow. Newland approached - ‘Unfortunately as we do not own the land outside the railings we can’t plant anything. The landscaping we have put in has been put in and approved by the planners so we are not able to put anything extra in on our side.’ *Clerk to check ownership*

h. Email from Plastic Free Swindon – posters etc re litter and fly tipping. Clerk replied.

435.COMMITTEE REPORTS

**a**. **GM update** **–** Meeting and walkabout on 6th Oct.

Cllr Selwood circulated list of works for consideration. The following were approved as

listed: Sams Lane/High Street corner, Linley Road/Tennis Courts, Rec Hedge, Broadbush to

Sams Lane Village Entrance and replacement pillar Ermin Street Bus Stop. Additional leaf

clearance had already been approved, PC to instruct GM as required.

**b**. **Recreation –** BFC have not yet agreed terms of use. Cllr Selwood to meet with them to

discuss points raised. Access to Pavilion remains an issue as current procedures not Covid

secure. PC agreed coning for Adult games was not negotiable.

**c. Broadband Update** **–** Cllr Jankinson emailed MP, awaiting update.

**d. Methodist Hall –** Meeting with Scouts on 20th October, update at next meeting.

**e. Covid Update –** Discussion re access to Pavilion and key holding. Further discussion with

BFC & CC required.

436. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Jankinson reported that a fee of £125 would be payable for licence on speed cameras.

Cllr Doell advised that the Water Main may be an issue to the trees mentioned in 434 item g.

above.

Cllr Rogers reported that he had noticed an increase in deer deaths on B4019 and was

concerned for safety.

Cllr Compton reported that parking in Hillside was making the Ermin Street closure more

difficult for road users.

Cllr Boyd reported that the pedestrian gate at the Cemetery was not closing properly. *Cllr*

*Tayler agreed to inspect/repair.*

Cllr Tayler expressed his thanks to Cllr Penny for her work on the Kingsdown Lane issues.

Cllr Tayler questioned why developers are not required to do full repair of road surfaces until

the end of the development. *Cllr Penny to raise with Planning, Clerk to send details.*

437. KEY MESSAGES

GM tidying works

Remembrance Sunday

Car thefts

438. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held remotely via Zoom 2nd November 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**

Drainage ditch on Broadbush – With SBC Planning

Speed limit and Haul Road – with SBC. Second speed survey awaited

Kingsdown Lane – with SBC enforcement

Speeding on Broadbush – info circulated on costs, PC to consider

MUGA – cost of 2 days work agreed

Hill Cottage re LEAP and speeds - ongoing

Planning Consultation - Cllr Jankinson to prepare draft response, all PCllrs to add comments

Parking at REC – with planning

Final agreement with BFC – Cllr Selwood to have further meeting

Broadband – further email to JT. Chair to send

Road re instatements – repairs temp. Cllr Penny to check with Planning

Methodist Hall - meeting on 20th October

Meeting of Finance Committee TBA

Trees at Newland Homes High Street, check land ownership

Cemetery Gate – Cllr Tayler to inspect

Key Messages – to post on Facebook and WEB