Minutes of the Forty Fourth Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 12April 2021 at 7.30pm. This was a remote meeting held via Zoom.

Present: Cllr Jankinson (Chair), Cllrs Ainscow, Boyd, Doel, Nash, Rogers, Selwood & Tayler.

SBC Cllrs Bishop & Penny

579. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs Compton & Keates

**Recess** – The Chair requested a minute silence to remember former Chair of the PC, Frank Eggleton and HRH Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh.

The Chair paid tribute to Frank Eggleton, acknowledging his huge contribution to the Parish.

580. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

581. MINUTES FROM THE FORTY 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.

582. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Letter to MP about B4019 safety issues – *Chair to speak with Cllr Rogers.*

1. Speedwatch risk assessments with Police for action – C*llr Penny to escalate with Deputy PCC.*

Cllr Penny requested the documents again. *Clerk to send.*

1. Enforcement issues in Kingsdown Lane – SBC gathering evidence of activity. Cllr Penny reported that there was a meeting next week to review evidence and a report of conclusions will be issued within 10days of the meeting. *Cllr Penny to update PC.*
2. School footpath/Substation – further remedial works undertaken by SSE contractor w/e 5February. *Awaiting photos from SSE. Clerk to chase again. Phone call expected on 13April with an update on action.*
3. Church Path – One quote received another quote awaited*.* Quote not received by 12April as promised. *Clerk to chase.*
4. HGV Kingsdown Lane – *Cllr Penny investigating.*
5. Transport Modelling Kingsdown development – Cllr Penny update the PC as the position re modelling not quite as detailed at last meeting. Work is ongoing with results due at end of April. Traffic/speed mitigation on B4019 and Cold Harbour junction are still to be agreed, 20mph on High Street also being considered. *Cllr Penny to ensure PC is kept informed.*

583. FORMAT OF MEETINGS FROM 7MAY 2021

a. PC Meetings – Cllr Penny advised that SBC and LGA are challenging the removal of regulations beyond the 7 May to hold remote meetings. PC agreed to review at next meeting.

b. Annual Parish Assembly – This cannot be held remotely and was not part of the Regulations

expiring on 7May. PC to consider other venues for holding this on 20May 2021.

584. PLANNING DECISIONS ADVISED BY SWINDON

S/20/0043 – Change of use of 1no. outhouse and existing garage/store to form 2no. dwellings, to

retain residential annexe to Meadow View and associated works.

At: Berryfield Cottage and Meadow View Newlands Court Blunsdon SN26 8DA

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

S/HOU/21/0224 – Conversion of garage into habitable space and creation of replacement parking

space to the front of the property. Retrospective.

At: 37 Minerva Heights Blunsdon SN26 8AB

**Planning Permission Granted with Conditions**

585. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DEPOSITED FOR COMMENT

S/HOU/20/1629 – Erection of a first-floor side extension and balcony.

At: 2 The Copse Blunsdon SN26 7BW

**PC agreed to support the application providing a suitable compromise, about the privacy**

**issues could be found, between the neighbours. \***

S/HOU/21/0352 – Erection of a single storey rear extension with balcony.

At: The Old Post Office 87 Ermin Street Blunsdon SN26 8AA

**PC had concerns over the size of the balcony and screen structure however, if the screen**

**glass is obscured and the structure meets Building Regs, it agreed to support. \***

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

**The PC agreed to object as there is no evidence of the footpath from Broadbush to the**

**Reservoir. The play area is too secluded and the separation between this and the**

**attenuation pond is a fence/hedge and a knee rail around the pond – the PC has concerns**

**about the safety of this situation. The PC has no knowledge of and has had no input to the**

**Sec 106 agreement, nor is it visible with the application.**

**The PC notes the changes to the internal dimensions of the properties. \***

Other Planning Matters

1. **MUGA –** A meeting with the consultant took place to look at parking layout. SBC Planner also had input on the best approach/layout.

The proposal is 12 spaces in front of the school, 2 at the entrance to the MUGA, 2 Electric-

Vehicle charging points, near the Office, staff parking space and cycle racks.

The Consultant is working on a proposal for Planning Application.

roof line and that the materials were not as specified in the conditions. SBC has responded, however they did not appear to understand the issue, confirming only that permission had been granted. *Cllr Penny to follow up the breach of permission/conditions.*

586. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

This is awaiting the Referendum taking place on 6 May 2021. The count is scheduled for 8 May

2021. The Chair also explained that on 6May voting will take place to elect Ward Councillors,

and the Police & Crime Commissioner. The election for the PC was uncontested as only 9 candidates stood for the 11 seats up for reelection.

587. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED TO 12 April 2021

1. SBC Members Bulletin 1062,1063 &1064 – emailed to Cllrs.
2. Email from resident re Pavilion – agree with refurb suggest wider use. Member of BCC and states would like to be involved.
3. Email from parent at Preschool – fundraising for a pupil with Cancer, can Parish help?
4. Email from resident on Hunts Hill re neighbour bonfires. Referred to SBC.
5. Email from resident re potential planning breaches at Minerva Close – referred to SBC.
6. Email from resident re no through road for village – emailed to Cllrs. The PC felt the suggestion was not practical because of the number of houses in the Village, Bus Routes operate along High Street as do school buses. The 20mph needs to be broadened and better enforced. There are mitigation works for required for Broadbush as part of Kingsdown Development, High Street should be included. *The PC suggested a copy of the email be sent to SBC – AC&SC*
7. Email from member of PCC – supporting installation of Cycle Racks.
8. Emails from resident re Footpath at BHH – M Fry dealing.
9. Email from Northern Gas & Power re helping with energy efficiency etc – RFO advises that on best tariffs, VAT claimed back & smart meters in Hall and Pavilion.
10. Email from Royal British Legion – sales info re Tommies for VE day 8th May 2021. *Chair to speak with Village Fete Committee about funds.*
11. Media release re HRH Prince Phillip – emailed to Cllrs, RFO and BV Editor.
12. Chair received a telephone call about Carbon Neutrality by 2030. SBC have produced a strategy with no Parish involvement. Retaining gas pipe network is important for the delivery of H gas.

*Cllr Penny to raise with SBC.*

588.COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **GM** **–** Meeting scheduled for 15April. The POS at Hills site on Ermin Street transferred to the PC on 31 March. This will form part of GM contract regular works.

**b**. **Recreation –** The current premises is not universally accessible. The PC is scoping a

project to refurbish and potentially extend the current building and is considering a

path/track around the perimeter to provide access but also for use by walkers, runners &

cyclists.

**c. BVH –** Once rubbish has been removed sweeping and weed killing is required. *Clerk to*

*arrange with MJ.*

**Cemetery –** The Clerk reported that only 10 unallocated/unused spaces remain in the

Garden of Remembrance. The PC agreed to impose a moratorium on plot reservations until

extension land is transferred.\*

1. **Broadband** **–** Cllr Selwood has had correspondence from BT, who wish to attend a PC meeting. *Cllr Selwood to advise if 26 April meeting is suitable.* The Church is currently trialling a 4G system as there were too many Diocesan restrictions on erecting a pole to deliver Broadband.
2. **Covid Update –** Water systems at Pavilion being flushed weekly. Awaiting feedback from Govt on remote meeting after 7 May 2021.

589. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Jankinson reported that Newland Homes had donated £300 for planters to assist with

BKV preparations. *Chair to discuss recycled plastic containers with RFO.*

Cllr Jankinson reported that he had asked Hayfield to give a cost for labour and materials for

them to build wall around cemetery extension land.

Cllr Tayler reported that he had received SCAM email and urged people to be even more alert.

Cllr Boyd informed Cllrs that he was retiring from the PC, he did not stand in the 6 May

elections. He said he would be available for advice and any project work that needed his input.

The updating of the Village maps was assigned to Cllr Boyd to complete.

The PC all thanked Cllr Boyd for his work, advice and guidance, all agreed that Cllr Boyd

would be greatly missed.

Cllr Collingwood reported a hole in the hedge at Hayfield development on Sams Lane. Cllr

Jankinson confirmed he had already spoken to Hayfield about repairing/making good this area.

Cllr Selwood reported CCTV cameras on the footpath at BHH.

Cllr Selwood suggested that the PC consider a floral tribute on Bench or Sams Lane to

remember Frank Eggleton. *PC to discuss at the26 April meeting.*

Cllrs Penny & Bishop gave an update on 19 Sutton Park, which did not address PC concerns.

*Cllr Penny to follow up.*

Clerk reported resident complaints about parking on verges in Sutton Park and some confusion

about dates of matches and parking issues. *Clerk to email Chairman of BFC.*

Cllr Penny informed the PC about the Infrastructure Delivery Plan which was going to

Committee in about 6 weeks. Highway movements have not been updated and included.

Cllr Sumner is taking over as lead from Cllr Penny. *Chair and Cllr Penny to follow up on the*

*PCs Perspective.*

590. KEY MESSAGES

Sponsored Run

Election 6 May 2021

Tribute to FG in BV Magazine

591. SUMMONS TO ATTEND NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held remotely via Zoom 26th April 2021 at 7.30pm

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

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Chairman, xxxxxxx 2021

**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

**PC Actions**

B4019 safety issues – Chair to speak with Cllr Rogers.

School Path – Clerk to contact SSE again.

Church Path – Further quote required.

One-way High Street – PC agreed to refer to SBC.

Tommies – Cllr Jankinson to speak with VF Committee.

Sweeping & weed killing at BVH – Clerk to arrange with MJ.

BT at PC meeting – Cllr Selwood to advise.

Planters – chair to discuss with RFO.

Floral tribute to FG, to be discussed on 26 April 2021.

Verge parking at Sutton Park – PC to discuss further.

**SBC Cllr Actions**

Speedwatch RA outstanding – Cllr Penny to chase.

Enforcement issues in Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Penny.

HGV Kingsdown Lane – Cllr Penny investigating.

Transport Modelling for Kingsdown.

19 Sutton Park – Cllr Penny following up breach of planning condition.

Carbon Neutral Swindon – Cllr Penny to update PC.

Infrastructure delivery plan – Cllr Penny to update PC and ensure its input.

Key Messages – to post on Facebook and WEB.