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BLEDLow CUM SAUNDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Bledlow Village Hall on Thursday,
1st September 2011**

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Present: Cllrs. Breese, Cox, Ingram, Mrs. Stallwood, Mrs. Taylor, Uglow (Chairman), and
Mrs. Wylie

District Cllr. Angell

Clerk: M. J. Evins

1. Apologies for Absence

Cllr. Stone and County Cllr. Rogerson

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Taylor to the meeting, following her co-option to the Parish Council as ward member for Saunderton.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 4th August 2011 were approved with all in favour after a proposal by Cllr. Ingram, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. Wylie.

3. Matters Arising

Road Maintenance

The Clerk had written a letter to Jim Stevens asking for the scheduled Bledlow Ridge roadworks to be brought forward to this year, and to request consideration of a system of allocating the repair budget on the basis of most needed rather than by allocating five roads to each County Councillor. No substantive reply had yet been received.

The Clerk is to meet Rob Sumner on Friday, and would ask for the Chapel Lane 30mph sign to be cleaned, for the hedge at The Crest to be cut to 7 feet high, and ask for confirmation that the Haw Lane hedge would also be cut in October. Rob would also be asked to confirm that action is to be taken about the flooding problem, also in Haw Lane.

On a related matter, Cllr. Ingram said that Mrs. Smith has plans to plant bulbs along the roadside in Bledlow Ridge. The Clerk said that he knew of the proposal, and that a Cultivation Licence was needed. The meeting agreed that the Clerk should contact Mrs. Smith to say that planting should not go ahead until a planting plan was received.

Website

Cllr. Mrs. Wylie presented details of a website for Morton Parish Council that had been designed by Mr. Henson. This site is a 'community' facility, and contains much more information, such as Parish Council minutes, accounts etc. than does the existing Bledlow-cum-Saunderton site on Bucksinfo. The meeting discussed the matter further, with value for money and hit rate being debated. Following a proposal by Cllr. Cox, seconded by the Chairman, it was agreed that Cllrs. Mrs. Wylie and Mrs. Stallwood should further research the matter and report back to the next meeting.

In the meantime the Clerk would investigate ways in which the Bucksinfo site could be made more attractive by inserting photos and graphics, for example.

4. Planning Matters

Applications

11/06774/FUL 56A Haw Lane, Bledlow Ridge
Erection of replacement single-storey brick-built farm office/store and stables building

Applicant; Mr. Mrs. Malaure

Resolved: No objection

- 11/06801/FUL The Grange, Wycombe Road, Saunderton
Erection of single-storey detached building for use as a puppy shelter.
Applicant: Hearing Dogs for Deaf People
Resolved: No objection
- 11/06854/FUL Sherwood Lodge, Routs Green, Bledlow Ridge
Construction of a single-storey side extension
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. Rackstraw
Resolved: No objection subject to no breach of 50% rule
- 11/06889/CONS Chilterns Hill Farm, (Overhead lines), Haw Lane, Bledlow Ridge
Consultation under the terms of the Overhead Lines (Exemption) (England and Wales) Regulations 2009.
Consultor: UK Power Networks
No comment, public utility work
- 11/06897/FUL The Child Bereavement Charity, Clare Foundation, Wycombe Road, Saunderton
Installation of 210 solar photovoltaic panels on existing roof areas of office building
Applicant: The Clare Foundation
Resolved: No objection
- 11/06924/FUL Meadow Barn, Sandpit Lane, Bledlow
Construction of a new single-storey rear extension.
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. A. Williams
Resolved: No objection

Wycombe District Council Decisions

- 11/06266/FUL High Banks, 13 The Crest, Bledlow Ridge
Two-storey side extension with rear dormer and single-storey rear extension.
Applicant: Mr. J. Dodds
APPLICATION WITHDRAWN
- 11/06321/FUL Shimmels Farm, Wigans Lane, Bledlow Ridge
Installation of photovoltaic panels to existing barn roof
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. R. Gullett
PERMISSION GRANTED
- 11/06410/FUL Dean Farm House, Deanfield, Saunderton
Removal of existing outbuildings, proposed remodelling of existing house to front and rear, and construction of two-storey side extension with reflection pool, single-storey side attached outbuilding and associated external and internal alterations
Applicant: Mr & Mrs L. Stringfellow
PERMISSION GRANTED
- 11/06541/TPO 3 Batting Close, Bledlow Ridge
Proposed felling of one cedar tree (T1) and replacement with smaller tree
Applicant: Mrs. S. Santos
PERMISSION REFUSED

5. Financial Matters

Payments

Cheque No.	Amount £	Payee	Description
	100199		Bledlow Village Hall
		30.00	Hire of Hall
	100200	438.65	M. J. Evins Salary & Exp.
	100201	237.60	Lawrence Landscapes Parish Grass
	100202*	1350.00	Floor Preservation Bledlow V/Hall
	100203	162.00	Mazars Annual Audit

Total 2218.25

* Grant made under Section 137 of the LGA 1972

A receipt of £250 had come from Bentley Productions following recent filming in Bledlow. Cllr. Breese said that there had been some complaints from residents about

unreasonable obstruction of the highway during the filming, and it was agreed that the Clerk should write to Bentley to insist that future filming should take better account of the local community.

Applications for Grants

No applications had been received.

6. Sundry Parish Matters

Bledlow Children's Home

Confirmation had been received from Bucks CC of the purchase price of the site, and this was accompanied by copies of an extract from the Land Registry documents showing the new owners of the site.

Neighbourhood Development Plans

It was agreed that further discussion of this matter should be deferred until the Government's Localisation plans are better defined and understood.

Electoral Review of Buckinghamshire

Cllr. Breese had reviewed the Boundary Commission's proposals and had concluded that they were broadly neutral so far as Bledlow-cum-Saunderton is concerned, and that no further action is needed.

BALC

The Clerk asked for it to be noted that the services provided by BALC are being widely questioned by a number of parish clerks. He was uncertain how the matter would be taken further, but would make enquiries as to whether raising the issue at WDALC would be the logical next step.

North West Chilterns Area Forum

The Chairman said that he would be unable to attend the next meeting of the Forum, and Cllr. Breese agreed to go in his absence. The Chairman also said that, after an unconvincing start, it would seem that the Forum is growing in effectiveness.

7. Correspondence

No further action required as a result of a review of other correspondence.

8. Other Business not Requiring Notice

Scrubs Lane Caravan

It was noted that, after a site visit by Maria Whyte, WDC is minded to issue an Enforcement Notice.

Carrington Place

Cllr. Cox reported that the Bird & Tole development has been named Carrington Place. The Clerk would investigate to see whether WDC permission had been granted for the name.

There being no other business, and no members of the public present, the meeting was closed at 9.00pm

The next meeting will be held in Bledlow Ridge Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday, 6th October 2011.

Signed.....(Chairman)

Date.....

