

BLEDLow CUM SAUNDERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in Bledlow Ridge Village Hall on Thursday, 6th October 2011

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

M. J. Evins (Clerk)

1. Apologies for Absence

None received.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 1st September 2011 were signed by the Chairman as a true record following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. Wylie, seconded by Cllr. Ingram.

3. Matters Arising

Road Maintenance

The letter to Mr. Stevens asking for repairs to Chinnor Road, Haw Lane and Wigans Lane, all in Bledlow Ridge and a more complete answer is expected to be sent.

Clr. Breese raised the matter of some large unrepaired holes in the parish in the context of assurances he had and to as good a standard as she had given reason to believe.

It was noted that Ken Moloughney would attend the next meeting to outline the County Council's proposals for traffic calming in both Bledlow and Bledlow Ridge.

Website

After some detailed discussion, it was agreed that the Parish Council would use the existing bucksinfo- based site. The Clerk, and Cllrs Mrs. Stallwood and Mrs. Wylie would co-operate to enhance the current

BALC

The Chairman said that the clerk of West Wycombe PC is to gather specific complaints about BALC's service Carrington Place

The Clerk had investigated the use of the name given to the Bird & Tole development and had been assured Cultivation Licence

It was noted that the Council had been granted a Cultivation Licence to enable Bledlow Ridge Horticultural Society to plant bulbs between the Old Post Office and Capel Farm in Chinnor Road, Bledlow Ridge. The Clerk had stressed to Mrs. Smith, who will be in charge of the planting, that all individual householders with frontages involved must be contacted to seek approval.

4. Planning Matters

Applications

11/06988/FUL The Paddock, Routs Green, Bledlow Ridge
Construction of two-storey side extension and extensions and roof alterations to remodel property, including new pitched roof over existing utility room and addition

of dutch gable over existing living room.

Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. Johnson

Resolved: No objection

11/07132/FUL 31 Saunderton Vale, Saunderton
Construction of a single-storey rear extension and erection of chimney to side elevation.

Applicant; Mr. S. Heggie

- 11/07151/CLP Resolved: No objection
Chiltern Top, Chinnor Road, Bledlow Ridge
Certificate of Lawfulness in respect of the construction of a single-storey rear extension
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. Fleming
- 11/07076/FUL Resolved: No objection
Church End Cottage, Church End, Bledlow (Listed Building)
Construction of conservatory
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. M. Johnson
Resolved: No objection
- 11/07136/FUL **Cllrs. Breese and Stone declared a prejudicial interest**
Plot 1, Former Bird & Tole Ltd., Chinnor Road, Bledlow Ridge
Repositioning and extension of garage with extension to hard standing area as approved under pp/06/07568/FUL (retrospective)
Applicant: Not stated
Resolved: No objection
- Cllr. Cox declared a personal interest**

Wycombe District Council Decisions

- 11/06198/VCDN Rose & Crown, Wycombe Road, Saunderton
Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 08/07708/FUL. Proposed improvement of secondary access to be only access to site, blocking up of two existing points of access and associated landscaping
Applicant: Musketeers Pubs Ltd.
PERMISSION GRANTED
- 11/06651/FUL 5 The Crest, Bledlow Ridge
Erection of single-storey rear extension.
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. S. Groom
PERMISSION GRANTED
- 11/06691/FUL Wainhill Barn, West Lane, Bledlow
Construction of single-storey conservatory on south elevation.
Applicant: Mr. & Mrs. L. & M. Gill
PERMISSION REFUSED
- 11/06721/FUL Bec House, Church End, Bledlow
Construction of wooden-framed garden room.
Applicant: Mrs. P. Leslie
PERMISSION GRANTED
- 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
PERMISSION GRANTED

5. Financial Matters

The following payments were authorised following a proposal by Cllr. Uglow and seconded by Cllr. Stone.

Payments

Cheque No.	Amount £	Payee	Description
100204	35.00		Bledlow Ridge Village Hall
Hire of Hall			
100205	195.60	M. J. Evins	Salary & Exp.
100206	244.80	HMRC	PAYE for Clerk
100207	27.36	TSB Hygiene Ltd.	Bin Emptying

work	100208	27.60	Lawrence Landscapes Ltd	Playground
Expenses	100209	135.45	Wycombe District Council	Election
	100210	42.98	Mrs. S. Smith	Playground work
	100211	18.25	M. J. Evins	Stationery/Ink
	Total	727.04		

Saunderton Vale Parking

A solution had been agreed by BCC to the parking problem at Saunderton Vale at a cost of £6000. However, BCC are unable to fund the scheme in this financial year and had asked the Parish Council to pay the cost, for refund in the next financial year. This would enable the work to be done more quickly.

The meeting agreed to the arrangement subject to the Parish Council receiving written confirmation that the money would be refunded. The Clerk was asked to obtain this assurance.

Age Concern, Buckinghamshire

After a proposal by Cllr. Breese, seconded by Cllr. Ingram, a donation of £100 was agreed.

Chilterns Conservation Board

The Board has appealed to parish and town councils to contribute to its funding. It was agreed that this matter would be on the agenda for the next meeting.

6. Sundry Parish Matters

Bus Services

BCC is consulting on a number of changes to local bus services, some of which affect Bledlow Ridge. Services 104, 105 and 106 are poorly used and the operator is to withdraw them. Service 275, between Wycombe and Oxford via Stokenchurch is also not commercially viable. However, BCC has agreed to a re-routeing of service 275 through Bledlow Ridge and Chinnor. The service would run three times daily in each direction.

The Tigerline service along the A4010 between Risborough and Wycombe is likely to stop running after about 6pm.

Bledlow Children's Home

The Clerk was asked to write to the purchasers of the site and enquire about their plans for starting development.

The Boot

Cllrs Cox and Mrs Wylie both declared a prejudicial interest

The proprietors of The Boot are to apply to have brown tourist signs erected at various locations in order to publicise the pub. They have asked for Parish Council support for the application and for a donation towards the cost.

The meeting quickly agreed that Parish Council support for the application would be given, but that it could not contribute financially. There was also agreement with Cllr. Breese's proposal that a sign must not be erected at Pitch Green in Bledlow as it could affect trade at The Lions of Bledlow.

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Lawrence to confirm these decisions.

Local Area Forum

Cllr. Breese had attended the last meeting on behalf of the Parish Council. He reported the following:

The proposed closure of the Risborough Sorting Office is not yet confirmed and discussions with Royal Mail are continuing.

The Risborough Day Care Centre has been taken over by Risborough Carers.

The one-way system in Risborough high street is still causing concern in the context of the

town's worries about shop closures. The Clerk was asked to write to Ken Moloughney at BCC to reiterate the parish Council's call for the two-way system to be reinstated.

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The former British Legion hall is for sale.

BCC have published a Traffic Calming Portfolio of measures to limit traffic speeds.

Correspondence

Imagine the Future

No further action was agreed after reviewing WDC's local area plan.

8. Other Business not Requiring Notice

There was no other business

There being no other business, the one member of the public present, was asked for his comments, in which he criticised the Clerk for wrongly describing his posters for the Kop Hill Climb as fly posters, and for asking him to remove them from Council noticeboards and bus shelters once the evening was over.

The meeting was closed at 9.20pm

The next meeting will be held in Bledlow Village Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday, 3rd November 2011

Signed.....(Chairman)

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