



Blockley Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting THURSDAY 21ST MARCH, 7PM,

LITTLE VILLAGE HALL, BLOCKLEY

Minutes

Present: Jonathan Bryan – Chair, Clare Turner – Vice Chair, Ellie Thorneycroft, Steve Neill, Chris Leach, County Cllr Lynden Stowe

Members of the public: 2 present

Apologies: Thomas Bradley, Charlie Mackinnon-Little, Paul Baines, James Pargeter

Meeting opened: 19.00

1. Welcome and apologies for absence.
2. Items for any other business. **NB This will be removed from all future agendas**
3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations for items on the agenda - *Councillors must declare it if they have an interest in any matter before the council either at the start of the meeting or prior to commencement of discussion of the topic in question.* None
4. Public Participation - Meeting shall be suspended at this point to hear any representations by members of the public on any matter on this agenda. *Persons are allowed to speak up to a maximum of 3 minutes on each topic.* On conclusion of public participation, council business shall resume. Resident attended the EV charging event – poorly attended, but excellent presentation. 40% of pop in Cotswolds have no off-road parking. Cannot charge across footpath. Contacted GCC 2 yrs ago no reply. No way for population in this area to actually participate in EV. **ACTION: LS** will find out what the answer is to asking permission to dig channel across pathway. **ACTION: CT** will contact Mike McKeown CDC Cabinet lead for climate. Resident raised issue re: water/flooding, the culvert is too small, surface water from Park Farm and Pasture Farm. Work done on the road re-surfacing will not be of value if this is not addressed. Advised GCC Highways have a budget of £300K allocated to flood alleviation schemes. CT gave an update from her meeting w Highways. Leaky dam option to alleviate. In co-operation with landowner to instate leaky dams. Responsibility with highway. CDC Riparian officer working with highways GCC. **ACTION: CT** will follow up with photos and leaky dam info to LS to then take forward. CT to email all relevant parties.
5. Approved minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 15th February 2024
 1. Matters arising: see *Actions* Appendix 1.
5. County and District Councillors' updates.

LS update: Greenway Road patching and surface dressing will take place after easter. Staff issues for speed camera team. Clay Lane will be patched. GCC have good cash reserves.

DC update: See *Report* Appendix 2.
7. **Finance: Cllr Bryan**
 1. Approved Financial Report for 09.02.24 – 15.03.24 including bank reconciliation for February 2024 & detailing all accounts held by the council as circulated & shared prior to meeting.
 2. Approved Transactions for period 09.02.24 – 15.03.24
 3. Approved to fund 50% of Grant Application from Paxford Village Hall to sum of £905.50 **ACTION:** Clerk to advise there is other Grant Funding available specifically for Village Halls and to match from other sources.
 4. Approved Grant Application from The Voice magazine for sum of £500 **ACTION:** Clerk to confirm with The Voice.
 5. To consider Jubilee Hall wall repairs CL viewed approx. 6 metres of coping. **ACTION:** CL will get quotes. Council Approved up to £750 under Clerk's spending powers.
8. **Youth & Recreation: Cllr Turner**
 1. Update on Easter Holiday youth activity was presented. Youth Club contract expires April. Agreed to extend till end of school year, need to renegotiate to end of summer terms. **ACTION:** Y&R WG to advise provider. Evaluate current and consider future offering.
9. **Environmental Sustainability: Cllr Turner** presented her update.
 1. Cllr Neale presented his update. Council agreed to sign NDA with Believ **ACTION:** Cllr Neill will bring to office for Clerk to sign.
10. **Community: Community Speed Watch - update.** Clerk updated chased camera awaiting response.
11. **Community: Resuscitation course: Cllr Baines – not present.** Information gathered by Clerk shared prior to meeting.
12. **Community: Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Turner – none at present**
13. **Burials: Cllr Bryan** presented his update on Churchyard dry stone wall repair
14. **Planning: Cllr Neill/ Cllr Tuner**
 1. Review of current planning applications as circulated & shared prior to meeting CT has added a comment. **ACTION:** Clerk to add to planning portal.
 2. Update on Neighbourhood Plan for the parish (Cllr Turner)

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3. Working Group update – (Cllr Turner) still working on BPC response to Local Plan Consultation from meeting 06.03.24
4. Appoint lead councillor for Planning from March '24 – none appointed as not all councillors present.

15. **PCC Rural Crime Community meeting 12.03.24:** Cllr Turner presented an update.
16. Clerk's Highlights – as circulated to full council prior to meeting.
17. To receive Parish Councillors' reports on matters not on the agenda - None

Date of next meeting: 18th April, Paxford Village Hall 7pm

Meeting closed: 20.52

Approved by Blockley Parish Council:

Signed.....

Print.....

Date.....

Bank:

Current Account Balance: £50,216.11

Instant Access Account Balance: £117,837.71

Total £168,053.82

Adjusted Bank Balance considering unrepresented payments and receipts Total: £168,585.17

The bank was last reconciled to the 29th February 2024

Income:

No income, however, progress on Father Brown contributions and engagement to be noted in clerks report, thanks to NH for continued follow up!

Expenditure:

View Transaction report (as to be minuted) for all transactions over reported period. Of Note:

£320 Total Councillor Allowances for H2, CT, JB, TB,

£155 Christmas tree

£183.87 Print cartridges

BPC Transaction Report - 10.02.24 - 15.03.24

Closing balance 46,926.37

14-Mar-24	B/P to: Jon Bryan	-120
14-Mar-24	B/P to: Mr Steven Woods	-19.35
14-Mar-24	B/P to: Mrs NC Scott	
13-Mar-24	B/P to: Mike Sharp	-155
08-Mar-24	B/P to: Clare Turner	-100
08-Mar-24	B/P to: BI Heritage Centre	-48
08-Mar-24	B/P to: Inspire to Aspire	-997.5
08-Mar-24	B/P to: Cloudy Group Plc	-136.89
08-Mar-24	B/P to: BI Heritage Centre	-36
08-Mar-24	B/P to: Cllr T Bradley	-100
22-Feb-24	B/P to: Cllr Jon Bryan	-183.87
20-Feb-24	Direct Debit (GRUNDON WASTE MANA)	-62.26
19-Feb-24	Direct Debit (NEST)	-95.37
16-Feb-24	Direct Debit (LLOYDS BANK PLC)	-3
14-Feb-24	B/P to: BI LVH	-20
14-Feb-24	B/P to: C Scobie	-19
14-Feb-24	B/P to: Mr Steven Woods	
14-Feb-24	B/P to: Mrs NC Scott	
14-Feb-24	B/P to: HMRC Cumbernauld	-250.24

Opening Balance 52,718.93

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APPENDIX 1 Matters Arising - ACTION POINTS FROM 21.03.24

Minute Referenc	Action (responsibility) from	Responsibility	Outcome
21.09.23.9.1	Summer Camps - w Soul Learning. Provisionally still offering for summer with Soul Learning. ET is in discussion with another supplier. Summer Hols commence 21.07.24. BSSC is free apart from weekend. Final conf by May at latest	ET,CL	
19.10.23.9.1	Create flow diagram for heating which signposts and informs to share on website, parish boards, social media and possible public presentation . JB will contact for deadline	CML, JB	
16.11.23.12.2	Difficulties for resident groups re SGH. JB & AF to meet to discuss. Complete. 21.03.24 JB to contact TB to check how many PC members on committee. Clearly designate responsibility	JB, TB	
18.01.24.5.20	Leak on High Street by Orchard Bank, District Councillor (CT) to ask CDC street cleansing team for advice. 21.03.24 Raised with Thames Water & CDC CT will chase to for response	CT	
12.05.23.7.2	Advise when Grips will be cut into Greenway Road. 19.10.23 Cllr Stowe advised not known as yet. 21.03.24 grips now cut but advised LS they are not as deep as previous and also more are required further up the road, LS advised to wait for Highways	LS	
16.11.23.12.6	Residents issues with access to A44 from Greenway due to speeding vehicles. 21.03.24 LS will see if there are any measure available to slow traffic. LS believes Tropper's Lodge may be defined as a hotspot. He will go and view. It was noted that A44 was not included in the relief plan for future and that GCC plan is totally ignored in this plan.. LS will follow up on this	LS	
20.07.23.10.1	Little Shoe Broad 20mph speed limit . Traffic Regulation Order would be required. Can take up to 2 years to legislate for. 21.03.24 CT wil look into orignal plan to see if it is showing. Highways darwing should show it in current TRO	CT	
19.10.23.5.1	Road leading up to Mill Close and Churchyard in disrepair. LS will discuss with R Grey at Highways. 21.03.24 LS will see if this can be included in the Lower Street resurfaicng plan	LS	
19.10.23.5.2	SN reported Cat's eyes are missing on Bourton on the Hill road. LS will follow up 21.03.24 LS will chase up with Highways	LS	
18.01.24.5.11	SN to advise Cat's Eyes issue also applies to Station Road 21.03.24 LS will follow up with Highways	LS	
18.01.24.7.4	Clerk/CL to initiate surveys etc to get estimates for necessary repairs to churchyard wall. In progress, detailed info provided in Clerk's file for March. Will report when further inforamation available	NH/CL	Ongoing
18.01.24.16.4	CT to circulate possible meeting dates for the Local Plan Working Group to be scheduled after the consultation opens. Completed meeting took place on 07.02.24. Ongoing project to include parishioners' view	CT	Ongoing
15.02.24.9.1	EV points for SGH car park. TB to include on agenda for next GH meeting due on 28.03.24	TB	
15.02.24.12.1	Create a proposal for a Time banking for Crowd Fund project for April Meeting	CT	
21.03.24.4.1	Resident query re EV charge points and permission to dig across pavement. No reply in 2 yrs. LS will follow up with Highways and report back to BPC. CT will contact M. McKeown CD Cabinet Lead for Climate to see if he has any information/advice	LS/ CT	
21.03.24.4.1	CT will check with contact in CDC to ascertain any other information on the EV charge point situation/advise	CT	
21.03.24.4.2	Resident query regarding flooding on Lower Street.Ct will follow up with CDC Riparian Officer working with Highways and all relevant parties. Will send photos and leaky dam info to LS to take forward.	CT/LS	
21.03.24.7.3	Clerk to advise PVH committee of award of 50% of Grant	NH	Complete
21.03.24.7.4	Clerk to advise The Voice of Grant award	NH	Complete
21.03.24.7.5	CL will get quotes for re-instatement of wall toppers for wall in front of Jubilee Hall	CL	
21.03.24.8.1	Y&R WG to advise provider of extension of SLA to end of summer term NH to advise provider . Evaluate current offering and consider/research future offering with a view to re-tendering the contract	NH/ ALL Y&R WG	
21.03.24.9.1	SN will bring Believ NDA to office for clerk to sign	SN/NH	Complete