

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 19 OCTOBER 2015 AT BLYTHE BRIDGE AND FORSBROOK VILLAGE HALL. 7.30 PM

Members Present:- Councillor F Hopley (Chairman)
 Councillor C Hopley
 Councillor P Jones
 Councillor R Mancey
 Councillor K Giblin
 Councillor A Wilson
 Councillor J Morris
 Councillor I Herdman
 Councillor J Cornwall
 Councillor P Shufflebotham
 Councillor B Yates

In Attendance Dawn Plant – Clerk
 Residents – 5
 District Councillor Mr K Flunder

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor A Mould

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item	Member declaring interest	Nature of interest
Foxfield Steam Railway	Councillor A. J. Mould	Volunteer at Foxfield Railway.
Staffordshire County Council – William Amory Primary School.	Councillor Mrs. P. Shufflebotham	Governor at the William Amory Primary School.
Staffordshire County Council – Rights of Way Issues.		Daughter employed by Staffordshire County Council in the Rights of Way Department.
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor Mrs C Hopley	Part of the management committee.
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor Ms J Morris	Part of the management committee.
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor Mr A E Wilson	Part of the management committee.
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Chairman Councillor Mr F Hopley	Part of the management committee.
Staffordshire County Council – William Amory Primary School.	Councillor Mr I Herdman	Personal – Governor at the William Amory Primary School
Butchers Arms Football Club	Councillor Mrs K Giblin	Treasurer

3. OPEN SESSION

PCSO John Staples and PCSO N Nowicki were present but unfortunately was called away to an incident.

3.1 Residents Issues

Three members of the public spoke during the open session to express their concern over the plans they had heard for fencing in the football pitch.

Chairman Councillor Mr F Hopley went onto explain that these ideas were being explored by the Parish Council in response to the issues being faced with dog fouling on the recreation ground.

He went onto to explain that later in the meeting an agenda item would be discussed which would clarify these concerns. It was only the Parish Councils intention to make the area pleasant for all, and unfortunately it was the minority which spoilt it for the majority.

Clerk explained to the residents that the Football Pitch had not had a great deal of maintenance in the past and The Parish Council had agreed to allow the Lengthsman to perform essential maintenance to it, this would safeguard the surface over the winter months.

It was requested by a member of the public that The Parish Council ask the Dog Warden service for a report on how many convictions have been successful for the year 2014/2015.

Clerk to investigate this.

Councillor Giblin stated that she had noticed a decrease in dog fouling on the pitch in recent weeks and asked if maybe the CCTV was working and acting as a deterrent.

3.2 COUNTY COUNCILLOR REPORT

In the absence of Councillor W Day nothing to report

4. INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING OUTSIDE MEETINGS INCLUDING DISTRICT COUNCILLOR K FLUNDER

District Councillor Herdman stated that he was awaiting for the workshops from the Local Development Framework group so had nothing to report.

District Councillor Keith Flunder advised that the local recycling areas were to close in the immediate future, this partly was due to the figures for people utilising these areas was 68% down. This could be attributed to the major supermarkets now offering these facilities in return for loyalty points. This maybe something to explore by way of asking these supermarkets for a "local

Contribution" SMDC had also not received any interest parties quoting for this business so had decided to withdraw the facility.

Chairman Councillor Frank Hoply had attended a meeting at William Amory Primary School regarding the issues with parking at school drop off times in Stallington Road.

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The head teacher was considering a number of options including perhaps opening the gate on the bottom end of the field as an exit point.

Councillor Ms Mancey asked why the grass verge could not be utilised as a drop off area.

Councillor Mrs C Hopley said that she was under the impression that the service pipes etc. were very close to the surface in this area and this idea had previously been explored.

5. APPROVE DRAFT MINUTES FROM 21 September 2015

RESOLVED TO APPROVE with an amendment to date

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

11.2 Environmental Issues 19.9.15 Amey have issued works order for the hedges and nettles on Caverswall Road and the grids on Uttoxeter Road have been attended to.

Councillor Mr Jones asked if the Clerk could contact the management company from the Millbrook Gardens estate to ask them to refrain from blowing the leaves from that area on to and over the grids on Uttoxeter Road.

7. CLERKS REPORT RECEIVED

Councillor Mrs P Shufflebotham thanks the Clerk and Councillor Mancey for their efforts in the recent tragic events around Mr Michael Heath. She went onto thank Tesco and explained how Tesco had supplied a large quantity of food and drink, high Vis jackets and umbrellas for the search.

The Clerk asked if she could begin work on preparing a grab box to be kept at the changing rooms which would contain names and numbers of people within the parish who were willing to help in an emergency and who had skills ie paramedics,. The Council unanimously agreed to this.

The Clerk asked for permission to undertake the Certificate in Local Council Administration – The Council unanimously agreed and a cheque for £250 was signed.

8. CORRESPONDANCE

- 8.1 Final Plans for Mobile and Travelling Libraries – letter from Ben Adams Cabinet member for Learning and Skills SCC.

Noted

- 8.2 Letter from C Nixon and Partners regarding Housing Consultation

- 8.3 Email from Alicia Patterson SMDC Principal Environmental Health Officer regarding Dog Fouling

Chairman Councillor Mr Frank Hopley read an email out explaining that SMDC have arranged for a Community Support Officer to carry out weekly checks on the recreation ground. She had also delivered dig bags to the library and left two boxes with the Clerk.

Councillor Mrs Giblin stated that it was not just the dog fouling but a member of the public is allowing their dog to dig holes in the football pitch. Apparently people know who this is but are unwilling to say. The Clerk ask if we could find out what time it was happening so that we could target any action.

- 8.4 Request from Dilhorne Parish Council to split cost of a Defib at Boundary

Councillor Mr Peter Jones said this was an excellent idea and asked for the invoice for the next meeting for a cheque to be raised for half.

9. PLANNING.

- 9.1 Planning Applications:

SMD/2015/0589 – Irwin Mitchel Trust Corporation acting as a deputy for 10 Duckpaddle , Well Street Forsbrook – Proposed detached specialist annex accommodation

Councillor Mrs Pat Shufflebotham asked how this differed from the last time planning permission had been requested.

Councillors asked that the Clerk to object on behalf of the Parish Council on the grounds of Green belt, Flood Plain, Visual Open Space, and the exit from the property is a footpath.

- 9.2 Planning matters.

Amendment to Spar Forsbrook licence

Noted

- 9.2 Planning Refusals / Approvals

SMD/2015/0412 – Approval 56 Cheadle Road, Forsbrook – Detached garage

CEMETERY

- 10.1 A separate Cemetery and Environment meeting took place please see these minutes

10 ENVIRONMENT

11.1 Environment Report

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Clerk to arrange Cemetery and Environment meetings

12.1 To receive bank balances as at 31 September 2015

12.2 To approve accounts of September/October 2015

Dawn Plant	Salary and expenses occurred	£1161.84
Royal British Legion	Wreath	£66.00
Staffordshire Wildlife Trust	Membership	£42.00
Premier (UK) ! Ltd	Planter watering	£525.00
Quality Office Supplies	Stationary	£38.56
EON	Unadopted Highway Lighting	£881.75
Society of Local Clerk	CILCA qualification for Clerk	£250
Pegasus Fire and Security	CCTV on Recreation ground	£3757.32
Town and Country	Lengthsman	£2608.80
Heath House	Flowers in Planters	£415.20
T Bramwell Plumbing	Showers in Changing rooms	£1650.00
ADEonate	Replacement defib	£936.00
SMDC	Litter Picking	£368.64

12.3 – To approve the annual list of donations.

Councillors discussed the annual donations list and approved the following for action:-

Arch	£50.00	Query if this is relevant to the parish
		Approve
Moorlands Home Link	£100.00	Approve
Blythe Bridge Scout Group	£50.00	Why was last year's cheque not cashed
Cheadle Animal Welfare	£100.00	Approve
Cheadle C.A.B	£150.00	Is this service still running
Community Council of Staffordshire	£50.00	Approve
CPRE	£50.00	Approve
Donna Louise Trust	£100.00	Approve
Douglas Macmillan	£10.00	Approve
Longton Central Hall Band	£250.00	Approve
Marie Curie Cancer Care	£100.00	Approve
Mencap	£100.00	Approve
Red Cross	£100.00	Approve
Royal British Legion	£100.00	Approve
Samaritans	£100.00	Approve
Second Forsbrook Guides	£50.00	Approve

St. Johns Ambulance	£100.00	Approve	
Staffordshire Wildlife Trust	£50.00	Approve	
Victim Support	£50.00	Approve	
Women's Royal Voluntary Service	£100.00	Approve	Page 171
Werrington Young Persons Support Group	£100.00	No donate to Blythe Bridge and Forsbrook Youth Support Group instead	
Savana	£100.00	Approve	
Fulford and District Community First responders	£100.00	Approve	
Blythe Bridge and Forsbrook Alzheimers Friendship Group	£100.00	Approve	
Blythe Bridge Village Hall	£100.00	Approve	

Councillor Mrs P Shufflebotham requested that the donation for Blythe Bridge Village Hall not be made for the specific purpose of the Christmas Fayre but to be made to their general fund. This was unanimously agreed.

The meeting ended 8.30 pm