

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17 September 2018 19:30 hours at Blythe Bridge Village Hall.

Members Present

Chairman Cllr Peter Jones	Cllr Walker
Cllr Yates	Cllr Morris
Cllr Herdman	Cllr Kemp
Cllr Mancey	Cllr Bagnall
Cllr Hughes	

In Attendance

Dawn Plant – Clerk	PCSO J Staples
Kath Giblin	Martin Elliot
Tony Holmes	District Councillor Keith Flunder
County Councillor Ross Ward	Member of the Public 1

1. Apologies for Absence

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2. Declarations of Interest

<u>Item</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Nature</u>
Foxfield Steam Railway	Councillor A Mould	Volunteer at Foxfield Railway
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor J Morris	Part of the management committee
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor S Bagnall	Part of the management committee
Staffordshire County Council - Highway Issues	Councillor P Jones	Personal – Staffordshire County Council Highway Officer Mary Anne Raftery Personal friend.
Tesco		Personal – employee of Tesco.

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Staffordshire Council- William Amory Primary School	County Councillor I Herdman	Governor at William Amory School
SMDC Potential Site allocation		Resident adjacent to site
Family Land Ownership Caverswall Old Road	Councillor Walker	Housing Consultation sites and general highways issues

3.	<p>OPEN SESSION</p> <p>The Chairman asked PCSO Staples to update the Council on any issues.</p> <p>PCSO Staples said he was aware of all the problems which had occurred during the summer holidays and that 90% of the young people who were congregating on the recreation ground were from Blythe Bridge.</p> <p>Councillor Yates asked if there had been a prosecution in relation to the recent thefts of bikes. PCSO Staples said that the CPS had decided not to progress the case.</p> <p>Councillor Mould asked the PCSO if the Police were aware the alcohol was being purchased from which was being drank on the recreation ground. The Police are currently talking to shop owners regarding this issue.</p> <p>Kath Giblin reported that the smoke alarm and light in the disabled toilet in the changing rooms needed attention. She also stated that the team which used the changing rooms on 16.09.18 had not cleaned up after themselves.</p>	Clerk
4.	<p>COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT</p> <p>County Councillor Ward explained that the County Council faced a very challenging situation to deliver services in the light of budget cuts. SCC do now have a balanced budget and the MTFS has been published three months early. There is going to be a consultation regarding school crossing patrols with a proposal to cut all crossing patrols funded by SCC this would bring a saving of 1/2 million pounds.</p>	

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	<p>25th September will see a consultation on Leek, Cheadle, Longton hospitals.</p> <p>The double yellow lines which the Parish had requested were in the pipe line however due to staff shortages at SCC it could be a while before they materialised.</p> <p>Cllr Walker expressed concerned that by putting double yellow lines on Caverswall Road we were pushing the problem to other places. County Councillor Ward said that the situation would be monitored.</p>	
4.1	<p>INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTITVES ATTENDING OUTSIDE MEETINS INCLUDING DISTRICT COUNCILLORS –</p> <p>Councillor Herdman said that the District Councillor surgery was busy and he had reported several issues to the relevant people.</p> <p>District Councillor Flunder stated that the SMDC Youth Orchestra was now resident at Blythe Bridge High School.</p> <p>There was a plan to increase the primary school places for Blythe Bridge to 105 and High School places by 32.</p> <p>Councillor Flunder had attended the funeral of Cllr Steve Jones from Draycott Parish Council and the Parish Council extended their condolences for the passing of Cllr Jones. He had achieved so much for the young people of the area.</p>	
5	<p>TO APPROVE THE DRAFT MINTUES FROM July 2018</p> <p>Resolved to approve.</p>	
6	<p>MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES</p> <p>Chairman Cllr Jones asked the Clerk to write to Levison Wood Snr to thank him for all his hard work with Remembrance Day.</p>	
7	<p>CLERKS REPORT</p> <p>The Clerk informed the Councillors that the “Tommys” had arrived and it was agreed to site them:-</p> <p>4 on the railings adjacent to the Calvary Cross 1 Sgt Egertons House</p>	

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	<p>1 Roebuck 1 Sgt Egertons grave 1 Sgt Egerton memorial 1 Cemetery 1 of Forsbrooks Tommys has been donated to Fulford Windmill.</p> <p>The Clerk told the Councillors that she had ordered the large lamp post Poppies for around the Parish.</p>	
8	<p>CORRESPONDANCE</p> <p>8.1 Update on Goal Posts</p> <p>Chairman Cllr Jones explained that a match funding application had been completed by the Butchers Arms FC. The Parish were responsible for the goal posts but due to this funding it meant the Parish only had to pay £444 plus VAT.</p> <p>The Clerk would complete the paperwork to enable the project to move forward.</p> <p>8.2 Remembrance Day</p> <p>All plans were going ahead, the Clerk would speak to the Vicar to ensure that two rows of chairs in the Church were reserved for the Parish Councillors</p> <p>8.3 SMDC Chairman’s Charity Ball Noted</p> <p>8.3 Best Kept Village</p> <p>The campaign had written to the Parish Council and there were many positives about the work the Parish Council had done. Unfortunately there were areas where businesses etc could have helped more. It was agreed a Parish litter pick would take place on 29.09.18 at 10:30am</p> <p>8.4 Co-option of new Councillor</p>	Clerk

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	<p>Tony Holmes introduced himself to the Council. He was a former Fulford Parish Cllr and ex deputy Major. He lives on Adamthwaite Drive.</p> <p>Cllr Mould Proposed Mr Holmes and Cllr Mancey seconded</p> <p>Martin Ellis introduced himself as an ex fire service employee who was keen to make a difference in the Parish.</p> <p>Cllr Mould Proposed Mr Holmes and Cllr Mancey seconded</p>	
9	PLANNING	
	<p>SMD/2018/0526 – Stonecroft, New Close Avenue Proposed rear house extension</p> <p>Object on the grounds of Size, privacy of neighbours, overdevelopment.</p>	
	<p>SMD/2018/0489 – Heath House Farm, Caverswall Road, Forsbrook – Proposed Oak Framed Porch and Landscaping</p> <p>Support</p>	
	<p>SMD/2018/0558 – 66 Primroses, Stallington Road – Proposed 2 storey rear extension and single storey rear orangery</p> <p>No Objections Cllr Herdman declared an interest.</p>	
	<p>SMD/2018/0178 – Land adjacent to 20 Caverswall Road – Proposed two storey dwelling with integral garage, amended proposal to SMD/2017/0730</p> <p>No Objections</p>	
10	Cemetery	
	<p>Chairman Cllr Jones had purchased Flanders Poppies from Middleport and the Clerk had planted them in the Cemetery.</p>	
11	Environment	
	<p>Chairman Cllr addressed the Council and explained that he was at a loss to understand how we could address the anti social</p>	

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	<p>behaviour on the recreation ground. Maybe a private security firm could be the answer for the next summer.</p> <p>Councillor Mould said he had seen young people carrying boxes of Budweiser onto the recreation ground Cllr Bagnall agreed.</p> <p>Cllr Jones asked the Clerk to write to Sizzatrix and Forsbrook Hair Salon to thank them for their efforts with the knitted Poppies.</p> <p>Councillor Mould asked if the Trees at the cemetery could be trimmed to allow for a clearer view of the traffic.</p> <p>Councillor Yates asked the Clerk to report a house on Elmwood Drive he thought was operating as an illegal car garage.</p>	
12	<p>FINANCE Bank reconciliation was presented along with the bank balance and approval of monthly payments – Unanimously agreed to approve.</p> <p>Clerk Salary 1052.49 HMRC 1076.11 Staffs Pensions 357.48 Town and Country Chairman's Allowance £250.00</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.30pm</p>	