

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2014 AT 7.30PM AT BLYTHE BRIDGE AND FORSBROOK VILLAGE HALL.

Christine J. Snape (Clerk to the Council).

9th December 2014.

A G E N D A

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**
3. **OPEN SESSION.**
 - 3.1 Residents Issues.
 - 3.2 County Council Report.
4. **INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDING 'OUTSIDE' MEETINGS'.**
5. **TO APPROVE DRAFT MINUTES OF:**
 - Council Meeting of 17th November 2014.**
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.**
 - 6.1 Minutes dated 17th November 2014 – Page 95 – agenda item 3.1.6 subject: Caverswall Road, Blythe Bridge – parking near to the junction with Uttoxeter Road.
To receive the following response from PCSO Adam Charlesworth:
*“I do keep looking at the issues, but I have never found any offences being committed for police to deal with. They are not even parking close to the junction because the entrance to the Vets comes before that. As I’ve said in the past, it is absolutely no different to the parking that you get down Uttoxeter Road.
Traffic that is stopping on the hatch markings on the crossing are actually causing an offence themselves. There is no excuse for them to be stopped in that area at all and I know that the British Transport Police are regularly monitoring that issue and issuing penalties for anyone that is found to be stationary in the hatch marked area as well as trying to dodge the barriers. People who use the excuse that it’s because of the parking on Caverswall Road would lose that argument I’m afraid. You can see if the entrance to Caverswall Road is blocked well in advance, so there is no need to stop on the crossings at all – I would suggest that is just poor driving.
If you want to either forward these details to any residents complaining, or forward on my contact details on to them, I would be more than happy to speak to them directly.”*
To receive the following response from Faye Lambert, Rail Community Officer:
*“Hard to know what to do if there are no yellow lines, of course people will park. Also is it definite that the parked cars are rail commuters? Assume complaints are coming from residents on that road? I will certainly mention this to EMT at our next Management Group meeting and I also think the best way of flagging this up with them as an issue is if you can instruct residents to report this to EMT each time it happens through getintouch@eastmidlandstrains.co.uk, providing details of date, time etc. They have a duty to respond to all complaints and this will also enable a log to be formed of all the incidents.
The other issue is that if vehicles are having to stop on the actual crossing, this could potentially lead to an incident if the barriers closed. The police should report this to Network Rail 24 hour helpline as a safety concern”.*
 - 6.2 Minutes dated 17th November 2014 – Page 95 – agenda item 3.1.3 subject: Caverswall Road, Blythe Bridge – access protection road markings.
To receive the following response from Staffordshire County Council Officer Timothy Buxton.
*“For me to look at the request further the lady will need to fill out an application for an APM, but as I said in my previous email I am not sure this will resolve her issue as I suspect that it is parking adjacent to the drive rather than across it that I think is the issue. An APM will not resolve that.
There are some guidelines on the use of APMs that are explained below:
Access Protection markings can be used to deter vehicles from parking across an entrance to off-street premises or where the kerb is dropped to provide a convenient crossing place for pedestrians. An Access Protection marking can therefore only be used in conjunction with a dropped kerb and is only advisory. In order that the effectiveness of these markings is not diminished by over use, the guidelines state that they are only to be used where establishments such as public houses, hotels schools, sports grounds, churches etc. generate an excessive amount of on-street parking, or where an applicant has severe mobility problems. At other locations, where the problem of inconsiderate parking by neighbours exists, obstructions on the highway are the responsibility of the local police unit. Further information can be found on:
<http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transport/staffshighways/abouthighways/AccessProtectionMarkings.aspx>”*
7. **CLERK'S REPORT.**
 - 7.1 To receive and note – agenda enclosures, correspondence and emails not detailed as separate agenda items.

7.2 To receive dates of 'outside' meetings as follows:
Staffordshire Wildlife Trust – Wassailing event on Sunday 11th January 2015 – 3.00pm-5.30pm at the Wolseley Centre.

7.3 To receive the following circulation material:

- Rural Services Network Online (Note: Newsletters available on: <http://www.rsonline.org.uk/news>).
- Staffordshire Wildlife Trust – E-News.
- Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Magazine – Autumn/Winter 2014.
- Staffordshire Moorlands Parish Assembly Newsletter – Issue 7.

8. CORRESPONDENCE.

8.1 Sir William Cash MP – subject: Staffordshire Moorlands District Council - Site Allocations.
Staffordshire County Council – Blythe Bridge Library.

To note that Sir William Cash MP has received a response from Staffordshire Moorlands District Council and Staffordshire County Council re the above and these are attached hereto for reference purposes.

8.2 Owl Online Watch – subject: Crime Incidents/Alerts.

To receive details of any crime incidents in the area.

8.3 Staffordshire County Council – subject: Watchdog Alerts.

To receive details of any Scams/Warnings in the area.

8.4 Staffordshire Parish Councils' Association – subject: Weekly Updates.

To receive and note the above documents.

8.5 To receive and note general correspondence and to agree action as required.

Note: All correspondence/documents will be available to view on the evening of the Council Meeting or by prior arrangement with the clerk.

9. PLANNING.

9.1 Planning Applications:

SMD/2014/0745 – 91 Caverswall Road, Blythe Bridge – approval of reserved matters (except landscaping) following outline approval (13/00672/OUT) for demolition of tied cottage and erection of a detached dwelling.

SMD/2014/0677 – Farm Cottage, Cheadle Road, Blythe Bridge – construction of a dropped kerb.

Licence Application:

Unit 1, 246 Uttoxeter Road, Blythe Bridge – sale of alcohol for consumption on and off the premises from 12.00 to 22.00 Monday to Saturday and 12.00 to 18.00 on Sundays. (Note: Planning approval has been granted).

When responding to Licence applications only the following should be considered:

a) prevention of crime and disorder, b) public safety, c) prevention of public nuisance and d) protection of children from harm.

9.2 Planning Approvals:

There were no planning approvals to note at the time of distributing the agenda.

9.3 Planning Refusals:

There were no planning refusals to note at the time of distributing the agenda.

9.4 Planning matters.

10. CEMETERY:

10.1 Cemetery Report.

10.2 Cemetery Issues.

11. ENVIRONMENT:

11.1 Environment Report.

11.2 Environment Issues.

11.2.1 Wicksteed Leisure – subject: Annual Play Inspection Report.

To receive a copy of the above report and to note what action has already been taken and what outstanding action is required.

12. FINANCE:

12.1 To receive bank balance as at 30th November 2014.

12.2 To approve payment of December 2014 accounts.

12.3 To receive a copy of the income and expenditure accounts for period 1st April to 30th September 2014.

12.4 To receive a copy of the suggested budget for year 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016.

12.5 To agree to implement no increase in the precept requirement for year 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016 – (2014/2015 figure – precept £42862.29 – Council Tax support grant - £3050.26 totalling £45912.55).

12.6 NALC 2014-2016 National Salary Award.

To note that NALC and SLCC have agreed a non-consolidated one off payment for clerks employed under the terms of the model contract of £100 pro rata.

13. STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL STANDING ORDERS.

To adopt the above amended documents.