

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LICKEY & BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT THE TRINITY CENTRE, LICKEY ON MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2014**  
**MINUTES NO 9, 2013/2014**

- 1. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES:** apologies were received and accepted from District Cllrs Deeming, Cooper & Ruck and County Cllr McDonald

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs J Harvey (Chairman), K Crockett, J King, J Eales, P Harvey, and N Forknell (part); Mrs H Doherty (Executive Officer) and 3 members of the public.

- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER:** 3b Disclosable Pecuniary interests 3c Other Disclosable interests.

Cllr Forknell declared his interest as a member of the PCC in item 10.2

*The Meeting was closed for Public Question time.*

**3. REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES AND COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:**

There were no reports

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2013**

It was unanimously agreed that the Minutes be signed as a true record.

**5. HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT GROUP REPORT**

5.1 Cllr Eales report stated that snowdrops had been planted and Jane Banner had purchased some end of season narcissus bulbs reduced from £20 to £5 per sack and planted them in Twatling Road to bulk up existing clumps.

5.2 It was agreed to accept the quote from the BDC recommended contractor Croft Restoration to clean the War Memorial at a cost of £953.10 excluding VAT. The EO will advise Margaret Brighton of this

5.3 It was reported that BDC have changed their policy on bog bins, and where there were a dog waste and a general bin on one site, the dog bins will be removed and signs will advise that all waste should go in the general bin. A new bin has been provided opposite Fairways Drive

5.4 Highways – the contents of Cllr Forknell's report were noted. Following approval from the landowner, the EO will now source quotes on the Blackwell Road footway project

5.5 The EO will follow up Lickey School to arrange a meeting about parking

**6. FINANCE and GENERAL PURPOSES**

6.1 It was unanimously agreed to pay the list of bills, though it was noted that the invoice for the new bridge was addressed to Birmingham City Council and needed to be changed. It was reported that the bridge will be in place on 17<sup>th</sup> March

6.2 The January Bank reconciliation was approved

6.3 Defibrillators. A report was provided on the meeting between Darren Davies of W. Midlands Ambulance service, and the EO and Cllr Forknell. The 3 sites preferred

by Mr Davies were Trinity Centre, Marlbrook Phone box and Blackwell Social club. Cllr Forknell will liaise with the PCC re the Trinity Site and the EO will contact Blackwell Social club, source quotes, and complete the funding paperwork form the British Heart Foundation

## **7. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT**

7.1 The minutes of the Planning committee held in February were approved

7.2 Neighbourhood Planning. Cllr Forknell had met with Burcot Village Hall committee who are yet to decide whether to join the group. They will be asked for a decision by the end of March. The analysis of the questionnaires from the February residents meeting were reviewed. The stakeholders Consultation was discussed, amended and approved to go out with the Annual Report

7.3 Marlbrook Tip. It was reported that the Public Meeting was most unsatisfactory. The Environment Agency(EA) have effectively taken over from BDC and are recommending 30cm of top soil should be added. This should have been done by the end of March 2014. EO to write to EA and ask what is the next action, as the 12 month period to have this soil delivered is almost over, and as the road is closed it cannot be done. At BDC Council Meeting in Feb, the Labour Party motion for a public enquiry was amended, and the proposal for a local enquiry was passed. PC will seek representation on this panel.

## **8. SOCIAL SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS GROUP REPORT**

8.1 Cllr King presented her report and requested that councilors send their thoughts on the website to the EO so that a decision can be made as to whether we continue to use the WCC website, or commission a new bespoke parish website. EO will advise on the number of visitors to our site, and request an outline quote from Keith Woolford to design a simple new site to aid in decision making.

8.2 The March newsletter/Annual Report has been circulated in draft form and a second copy will be circulated on 7<sup>th</sup> March

## **9. TRAINING MATTERS AND DIARY DATES**

The dates were noted. Cllrs P Harvey and N Forknell will attend the March CALC meeting. The EO was asked to request the WCC policy for speed limits outside our schools was added to the agenda

## **10 ADMINISTRATION**

10.1 Cllr Forknell put forward our proposal to use the Trinity Centre office on a Wednesday to the PCC, who have asked for further details, which have been provided. Our offer was for £80 per month. We await their decision.

10.2 Cllr King agreed to work with the EO on the Annual Assembly arrangements

**11 CORRESPONDENCE:** no correspondence was noted

## **12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at the Wheel at 7.00pm followed by the Assembly at 8pm

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 21.18

Signed

Chairman