



Lickey & Blackwell Parish Council

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1st September 2015

You are duly required to attend the meeting of Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council on Monday 7th September 2015 at the Wheel, Blackwell at 7.30pm. If any members are unable to attend, please let the EO know. Before commencing the meeting, a statement of Emergency Procedures and Parish Council etiquette will be read by the EO.

AGENDA

1. Acceptance of Apologies. Cllr Eales

2. Declarations of Interest

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.
- b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
- c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature. Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the code of conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items.
Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the Commission of a criminal offence.
- d) To consider written requests from councillors for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) – written requests to be with the clerk at least 4 clear days prior to a meeting

The meeting will be adjourned for up to 10 minutes for Public Question-time

3 Reports from outside bodies and District and County Councillors

4 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6th July 2015 for approval

5 Finance and General Purposes

- 5.1 To approve the payment of attached Bills.
- 5.2 To approve the proposed new 'Complaints Policy' and 'Publications Scheme' which have been drafted from Model versions by the Finance Group
- 5.3 To report that the Annual Return has been approved, but the EO has been asked to write to the external auditors questioning the 'other matters' they have raised

6 Planning Committee Report

- 6.1 To agree the Planning Committee minutes

6.2 To remind councillors that there will be a Neighbourhood Planning residents meeting on Saturday 12th September, where groups, led by councillors and others including Jack Hanson will look at the Historic Environment –all are encouraged to attend and bring neighbours who might have an interest in this.

6.3 Community Right to Bid – following the circulation of details of this scheme, to agree whether to list the Methodist Hall on Greenhill as a Community Asset

7 Highways and Environment

7.1 To report on the Speeding Order for Spirehouse Lane

7.2 Additional bollards on the Old Birmingham Road corner with Monument Lane have been requested. To supply 6 matching bollards (one removable to allow access to the War Memorial) would cost approx £1300 plus installation. Is this something we should budget for next financial year. We would need WCC Highways department approval for this.

7.3 Following a tour of the parish Cllr Eales would propose the following

i) that some orchids are planted in the cemetery now they are so well established on the verge

ii) A resident who lives at 271OBR has asked whether trees could be planted on the verges outside 273 & 275. There are about five small verges here, three of which have small Rowen trees or Hollies. I assume the trees are partly to stop parking on the verge. I suggest we decide whether we would like to plant any trees along OBR & then consider whether this location is the most appropriate. I suggest this could be budgeted for next year if agreed. Suitable species can be purchased for around £20 - £50 each but there would be an ongoing cost of planting, staking and loosening straps

8 Communications Report

8.1 Report from Cllr J King

8.2 Defibrillators – we still have no decision from Blackwell Social Club but need to agree a date, in or after October, for some awareness training which WM Ambulance will supply, free of charge. As Barnt Green PC have a new defibrillator, we could explore the option of joint training

8.3 Update on Lickey Festival from Cllr Rudd

8.4 Cllr King would like to propose that 4 sets of Christmas decorations are purchased for installation on the street lights at the crossroads in Blackwell. Second hand ones are available for around £600 (for 4) Installation costs will also apply along with permission from WCC (for use of lampposts)

9 Training Matters and Diary Dates

9.1 CALC Area meeting Weds 9th September

10 Administration

10.1 Initial budget planning meeting should be held in October to allow for draft budget to be presented in November and approved in December in order to make precept request by January deadline

10.2 To agree to apply for Quality status, initially at the foundation level

11 Correspondence

11.1 Letter relating to condition of the cemetery

12 Date of next Parish Council Meeting, - Monday 5th October 2015 at 7.30pm at the Trinity Centre, Lickey.

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(signed)
Executive Officer