

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LICKEY & BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE TRINITY CENTRE, LICKEY ON MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2014
MINUTES NO 5, 2014/2015

- 1. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES:** apologies were received and accepted from Councillor N Forknell, District Cllrs Ruck & Cooper

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs J Harvey (Chairman), J Eales J King, P Harvey, S Nock, P Rudd and K Crockett; District Councillor Deeming, Mrs H Doherty (Executive Officer) and 3 members of the public.

- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGISTER:** 3b Disclosable Pecuniary interests
3c Other Disclosable interests.
No interests were declared

The Meeting was closed for Public Question time.

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

In response to the question raised by members of the public, District Cllr Deeming reported that he had visited the Tip with enforcement officers, taken photographs and would start the enforcement process against the following Portakabins, Residency and the additional equipment which has recently been seen on site.

4. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2014

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

5.1 It was agreed to pay the attached Bills

5.2 It was resolved that the 2013 model Standing Orders, with the required amendment in relation to Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulation 2014, be adopted.

5.3 The half yearly finance report (April – Sept 2014) along with the Bank Reconciliation at the end of September 2014 we approved

5.4 It was agreed that the first Defibrillator should be sited at Blackwell Social Club and the EO was asked to liaise with their committee.

5.5 Further to the Finance meeting on 1st October, the Risk Assessment and Asset Register were approved

5.6 The following funding requests were discussed and the amounts below agreed

i) Blackwell Baby and Toddler Group - £250 which must be spent on capital items

ii) Blackwell Stores canopy provision - £100. It was agreed that this would have been easier to support had the request not been retrospective.

6. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

6.1 The Planning minutes were approved and the problems with BDC noted.

6.2 The Neighbourhood Plan has not yet been formally designated as the EO was answering queries raised by one of our councillors as to how the consultation had been advertised.

7. HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT GROUP REPORT

7.1 The quote for the next stage of work to create a footway on Blackwell Road was reviewed and approved

7.2 Following the review of alternative VAS signs available the decision reached at the budget meeting to purchase an additional mobile VAS and a permanent sign, which showed the vehicles actual speed was confirmed. Agreement from WCC will be needed for the permanent sign, as it will be wired to a lamppost. EO to progress.

7.3 New planters for Blackwell have been ordered from Border Fencing. A quotation for an autumn tidy of the cemetery for £475 was approved. Following a site meeting with the cemetery contractor, the laying of wildflower turf has been suggested and costs will be reviewed next month. The EO is to advise the church of our intentions.

8. SOCIAL SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS GROUP REPORT

8.1 December newsletter update – copy deadline 24th November for delivery 13th December.

8.2 Cllr Crockett reported that after an initial successful meeting with potential youth councillors they have gone away to discuss what they might do and review other youth council websites. Cllr Crockett will chase up how they are progressing.

8.3 BOOK SWAP – it was agreed to put a small bookcase in the telephone box on OBR (which could be removed when the defibrillator is installed and replaced by permanent shelves). Please bring spare books to Cllr King. Cllrs J & P Harvey had visited the Belbroughton book swap telephone box which is very well used

8.4 Christmas Events

Competition – Cllr Rudd will come back with agreement for a topic 'Celebrations' is a possible idea.

Christmas Tree Lighting events – agreement was given to purchase Lickey tree from Singletons –(lights to be put up on 28th Nov)

Blackwell ceremony: 5th December 6pm at The Wheel, prior to school fair, as usual

Lickey Ceremony – the school fair is at midday on 29th November so not viable to combine. Cllr Rudd suggested the school choir attend to sing carols, this, along with the Blackwell Concert Band, father Christmas, the prize giving and lights on was agreed as an excellent idea. EO to see if Hall is available on either Sat or Sun 6th/7th December from 4-6pm

Neighbourhood Plan group to try and attend both

8.5 It was agreed that the Older Residents Tea Party at Barnt Green Cricket Club should be held on Weds 11th Feb 2015 as 18th will coincide with

half term week. The topic will be Local health provision with speaker and possible training session for defibrillator.

9. TRAINING MATTERS AND DIARY DATES

9.1 CALC Autumn Training Programme – please advise EO if any places are required?

10 ADMINISTRATION

None

11 CORRESPONDENCE

11.1 Invitation from Shindig to a performance of Each Slow Dusk by Pentabus Theatre Company at Heightington Village Hall on Saturday 8th November starting at 7.45pm. EO to e mail all in the week to see who is able to attend as it was thought this might be something we could offer at the Trinity Centre. Heightington Hall is in Bewdley

11.2 Bromsgrove Polling District and Polling Place Review 2014 (Stage Two) It was noted that we had responded suggesting that Lickey Monument ward should have Trinity Centre as its Polling station, not The Wheel

11.3 The invitation to Parish Conference held in the Council Chamber on Wed 29th Oct was discussed. Neither the EO nor councillor Eales are able to attend. The agenda will be sent out

11.4 The invitation to the Christmas Fair at Holy Trinity on Sat 6th Dec for Trinity Centre user groups was discussed and the EO will follow all councilors up to see if we can take a table.

12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 3rd November 2014 at the Wheel at 7.30pm.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 20.50

Signed

Chairman