

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LICKEY & BLACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL**  
**HELD AT THE WHEEL, BLACKWELL ON MONDAY 1<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2014**  
**MINUTES NO 7, 2014/2015**

**1. ACCEPTANCE OF APOLOGIES:** no apologies were received

**PRESENT:** Councillor Mrs J Harvey (Chairman), K Crockett (vice chairman) J King, P Harvey, S Nock J Eales P Rudd and N Forknell; District Councillors Ruck and Cooper, Mrs H Doherty (Executive Officer) and 4 members of the public.

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

None

*The Meeting was closed for Public Question time.*

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

Cllr John Ruck reported on the various events he had attended during November in his capacity as Civil Head.

**4. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

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

**5 FINANCE and GENERAL PURPOSES**

5.1 It was unanimously resolved to co-opt Anna Boehm as ward councillor for Linthurst

5.2 Payment of the attached Bills was approved along with the quotation from Archmedia for the new website

5.3 Delegated authority to cheque signatories over the January recess to pay bills up to £5,000 was agreed

5.4 Defibrillators – it was noted that our BHF Funding request has been successful and the £1200 contribution to the 3 defibrillators is included with the payments along with a further £472.50 + vat (each) for 3 cabinets

5.5 The amended draft of the budget for 2015-16 was approved. Cllr P Harvey proposed that the precept remain unchanged for 2015-16 at £43,156 and this was agreed by all

5.6 It was agreed that the Social Services and Communications group look into the process of securing Quality Parish status and provide a report to the February meeting

**6. PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT**

6.1 The Planning minutes were approved.

6.2 Planning application 14/0792 (6a Blakes Field Drive) was discussed and it was agreed to respond as follows  
*Lickey and Blackwell Parish Council are concerned with the prospect of further development on this plot but would hope that the proposed property is for family use only*

6.3 Cllr King reported that there is a demolition order on Wadderton. The Village magazine have published an article and there is a petition in Blackwell Stores for those who oppose the demolition to sign. The Parish Council are working alongside Mary Worsfold, the BDC Conservation Officer to designate an area around Greenhill as a Conservation Area, as we have been requesting for many years.

6.4 There was no update from the Neighbourhood Planning group, which will meet again in January.

## **7. HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT GROUP REPORT**

7.1 Community Speedwatch initiative – to report we are waiting responses from our neighbouring parishes, but Old Birmingham Road might not be suitable as it already has speeding enforcement. Cllr Forknell to progress

7.2 It was agreed that the Speeding Indicator mobile sign which is on order will be used first uphill, on Rose Hill.

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

8.1 Cllr King delivered her report

8.2 The December newsletter draft will be circulated later this week

8.3 There was no update on the potential Youth Council.

8.4 Christmas Events

Competition – the high level of entries was noted, along with the introduction of a new category for literacy.

Christmas Tree Lighting events - Lickey: Sat 6th December 4pm at Trinity Centre - Lickey school choir to attend and perform – Cllrs Crockett, Forknell and J & P Harvey will help with refreshments etc and the police will be notified as they may be available to help crossing from the church to the tree – numbers may be considerably higher than previous years  
Blackwell: Friday 4th December 6pm at the Wheel

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

9.1 Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec – 6.30pm at County Hall, Networking Event with Elisabeth Skinner – note event cancelled

9.2 Weds 10<sup>th</sup> Dec CALC Area meeting – Cllrs Forknell & P Harvey to attend

9.3 Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan – helper's supper – EO to organise - please keep date free

## **10 ADMINISTRATION**

10.1 Report from CALC AGM by Cllr Forknell – the necessity of Worcs CALC raising their subscriptions was highlighted and noted

10.2 Cllr Rudd reported that the Shindig event was excellent, in front of a full house. Shindig require a commitment to holding this events, eg, annually, and not just as a one off. A committee, outside of the PC would be required. The school PA, or church social group might be possible. EO to contact Roger Westbury, who is believed to be interested, and update at next meeting. Cllr Rudd to bring information pack to share

10.3 2015 meeting dates were agreed as Monday 2nd February, 2nd March, 13th April, 11th May (Annual Meeting) 1st June, 6th July, 7th September, 5th October, 2nd November and 7th December.

## **11 CORRESPONDENCE**

11.1 Resident regarding dog fouling on St Catherine's Road near school – a BDC officer has now visited

11.2 Resident objecting to proposed use of school field as a car park

## **12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2015 at the Wheel at 7.30pm.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 21.25

Signed

Chairman